Research

Many people from Eastland areas of Nairobi had complained about insecurity in that area in that they couldn't go to work without the fear of being attacked or leave their homes without fear that a burglar might steal their property so we did a research among them to establish the causes of crime and the commonest victims of crimes and their perception on crime.The Nairobi City Eastland suburbs covered by the study included Majengo, Shauri Moyo, Ofafa Jericho, Ofafa Maringo, Mbotela and Eastleigh.. For data collection, both qualitative and quantitative methodologies were utilized, incorporating primary and secondary data sources. 350 residents and 20 group discussion participants comprising police officers, street children , street families and households were interviewed.
The qualitative data was manually analysed,

Findings.

❖ **The major study findings were as follows:**
We found crime as a major problem in their suburbs. The most common crimes in the area included;
• House break-ins, sometimes involving attacks on families. Some are forced break ins while others are by use of master keys to gain entry is quite common.
• Robberies, assault (particularly stabbing the victims with knives), theft from persons, petty crimes, mugging.
• Car-jacking, theft of motor vehicle parts and thefts of assorted items from parked motor vehicles.
• Drug use and peddling, bhang smoking.
• Theft by servant, commonly done by househelps.
   ❖ Poverty was found to be widespread among the residents of Eastlands. Slightly over
one-half (55.4%) of the sample earned less than Ksh. 5,000 per month, while less

than one-third (29.3) earned between Ksh. 5,000 and Ksh. 10,000. Given that most of the respondents lived with their own families, a monthly income of less than Ksh.
5,000 implies livelihood situations below the poverty line. Poverty is a well-known
cause of criminal behaviour, likely to be associated with the high and increasing rate of crime as well as the incidence of street families in Nairobi,so we came up with a problem statement.

Problem statement:
How might we improve security in Nairobi city for the Nairobi residents and visitors   to travel and live peacefully.

Ultimate impact-improved security in Nairobi town will enable residents of Nairobi and visitors to feel more secured,they can be assured that they can move from one place to another without any fear of losing their properties and being harmed and they will be sure that nobody will touch their property.

Solution
- Recruiting and training more security guards to maintain law and order
- Street light-by providing a label of illumination to clearly identify person and create a psychological deterrent to criminal activity in the area
- Cctv cameras -ie enough cctv camera in all area to help us identify and track the criminal
- Identify criminal hideouts of the criminals.
- Ensure safe access to high quality public transport.
- Give jobs to youths to combat poverty and also supply of relief food
- Educating families on the importance of family planning.

Context
Eastland area,Nairobi town

Constrains
- Threats from the criminal groups.

- Insufficient funds to purchase street lights and cctvs and people to set up.
- Dishonest security guards who may accept bribes and support criminals.
- Difficulty in changing the mindset of people.