Success story 1: Nancy Wambui Kamau

- From Challenges to Triumph: Nancy Wambui Kamau's Inspiring Journey
- ❖Nancy Wambui Kamau is 52 years, mother of 2 children.
- ❖Her story is a testament to resilience, courage, and the transformative power of empowerment.
- ❖Nancy's journey began in 2006 when she found herself grappling with the challenges of being both a widow and HIV positive. However, her life took a positive turn when she became an active member of Karai Support Group, an integral part of ASN Upendo village. Here, she not only found a safe space but also acquired valuable skills in positive living.
- ❖She learned essential skills that would not only help her manage her health but also empower her for a sustainable future. The empowerment covers a range of topics, i.e nutrition, behavior change and income generation. Armed with this knowledge, Nancy was determined to overcome adversity.

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- ❖In 2008, Nancy received a dairy goat from ASN Upendo Village. This simple gesture turned into a catalyst for change.
- ❖The goat kidded triplets (2 females and I male) and she returned a female kid to ASN Upendo village as required.
- ❖The goat not only provided Nancy with milk for nutritional support but also became a source of income and sustainability for her family.
- ❖ The dairy goat had two other healthy offsprings. This inspired her a lot and wanted to practice livestock keeping.
- ❖ She later sold the male kids and bought three sheep. One of the sheep died. The surviving 2 sheep thrived.
- ❖ She has continued to grow her herd of goats and sheep and sells them periodically. e.g. She sold three healthy male goats to ASN Upendo Village during the 20th anniversary celebrations.

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- ❖Her business approach is to buy goats/sheep, feed and fatten them then sell at higher price.
- ❖Through this, Nancy was able to pay school fees for her children and able to put a meal on the table.
- ❖The manure from her livestock is a precious resource, enriching her farm's soil thus increasing productivity, providing sustenance for her family and creating surplus that she sells to further support her household.
- ❖Her journey from a place of hardship and desperation to one of success showcases the transformative power of empowerment, support, and determination.
- ❖Nancy is grateful to ASN Upendo Village for a dairy goat, monthly nutrition supplements and for empowering her.
- ❖It is our hope that more clients get to be empowered and become self dependant for them to break the cycle of poverty.



