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❖ **PEACEBUILDING**

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❖ **INFORMATION COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY**

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INTRODUCTION

The Peace for Development Refugees Initiative (PDRI) is a community-based organization working in Kakuma Refugee Camp, Kenya. In 2025, our work focused on three main areas: **Peacebuilding, Sport for Peace, and Information and Communication Technology (ICT)**.

Since PDRI was created, we have also supported **Early Childhood Development and Education (ECDE)** and **Women Empowerment** activities. However, in the first half of 2025, we took time to reflect on our work and listen to the community. We realized that many other organizations in Kakuma were already doing similar ECDE and women-focused programs. Because of this, and due to our limited resources, we decided to avoid duplication and focus on what we do best.

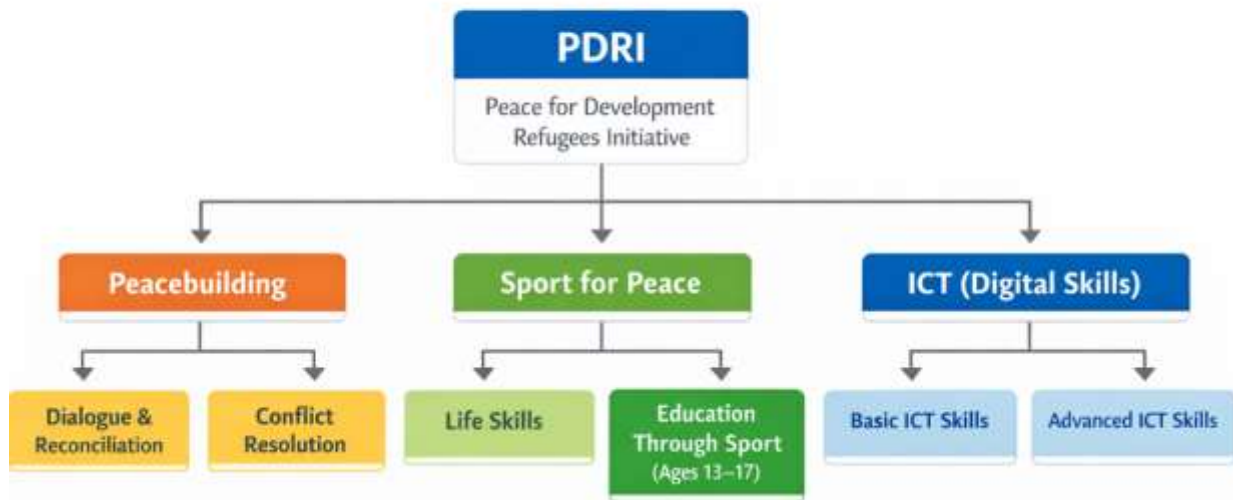
From the **second half of 2025**, PDRI made a clear decision to concentrate only on **three programs: Peacebuilding, Sport, and ICT**. This annual report therefore presents activities and results from these three areas only.

Instead of running a separate ECDE program, we chose to **support children's education and peace learning through sport**. Sport became a safe and friendly space where children and young athletes aged **8 to 17 years** can learn, grow, and feel included. Through football, dodgeball, and other activities, children learn **peace, respect, teamwork, discipline, and basic life skills**, alongside their education and personal development.

In 2025, PDRI worked closely with refugees and the host community to reduce conflict, bring people together, and give young people positive opportunities. Our belief is simple: **peace grows when people are given space to talk, learn, play, and build hope together**.

Even with many challenges and limited resources, 2025 was a year of strong community participation and youth leadership. The impact shared in this report was made possible by the commitment of volunteers, partners, community leaders, and the people of Kakuma themselves.

PDRI Core Programs and Integrated Approach – 2025



In 2025, PDRI focused on three core programs: Peacebuilding, Sport for Peace, and ICT. To avoid duplication with other actors, education for children and adolescents aged 13–17 years is integrated within the Sport for Peace program. Sport serves as a safe space where young people learn peace values, life skills, and basic education alongside physical activity.

1. PEACEBUILDING

Key Activities and Achievements

During 2025, PDRI strengthened peacebuilding efforts through dialogue, mediation, awareness campaigns, and cultural engagement.

- Supported **peace dialogue and reconciliation**, including a peace agreement between the **Nuer and Burundian communities**.
- Expanded the **Peace Centre** to include community and zonal leaders across Kakuma.
- Organized **conflict resolution training** for youth and peace awareness sessions in schools.
- Played a key role in **International Peace Day 2025**, using culture, drama, and sport to promote unity and peaceful coexistence.

Impact

- Improved trust and dialogue between communities that previously experienced tension.
- Youth and community leaders are now more engaged in peaceful problem-solving.
- Students in secondary schools are acting as **peace ambassadors** in their schools and neighborhoods.



Estimated beneficiaries (2025):

- Direct: ~700 people
- Indirect: ~2,500 people

2. SPORT FOR PEACE

Key Activities and Achievements

Sport remained a powerful tool for unity and youth engagement throughout the year.

- Continued development of the **Football Academy** for boys and girls.
- Launched and promoted **Dodgeball** as a peacebuilding sport in Kakuma and with the host community.
- Organized mixed teams bringing together youth from **over 20 nationalities**, with attention to gender balance.
- Used sport as a central activity during **International Peace Day 2025**.



Impact

- Reduced idleness, tension, and negative behavior among youth.
- Strong friendships and teamwork formed across community and national lines.
- Increased participation of girls and younger children in safe sporting spaces.
- Growing interest from the host community, opening doors for future expansion.

Estimated beneficiaries (2025):

- Direct: ~570 youth and children
- Indirect: ~1,800 people

Youth Beneficiary Pathway in Sport for Peace (Ages 13–17)



Sport at PDRI provides a safe and dynamic space for youth aged 13–17 years to learn peace values, life skills, basic education, and important well-being knowledges.

3. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

Key Activities and Achievements

In 2025, PDRI strengthened digital skills training to support youth empowerment and self-reliance.

- Implemented **Basic and Advanced ICT Training programs**, graduating **94 learners** across the year.
- Supported advanced practical training for top-performing students.
- Trained PDRI staff in **digital storytelling and social media**.
- Some graduates started **small businesses**, while others found employment with NGOs.

Impact

- Youth gained confidence in computer use and digital literacy.
- Improved readiness for advanced ICT learning and digital work.
- Renewed hope among young people seeking alternatives to idleness and dependency.

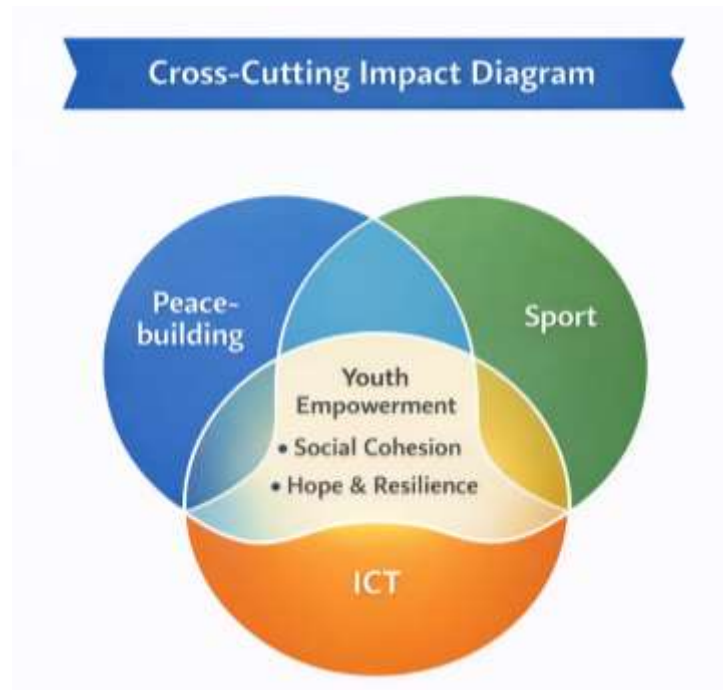
Estimated beneficiaries (2025):

- Direct: 94 youth
- Indirect: ~376 people

CROSS-CUTTING IMPACT (PEACE, SPORT & ICT)

Across all activities in 2025, PDRI contributed to:

- Stronger unity between refugees and host communities
- Positive youth engagement and leadership development
- Reduced risk of violence, crime, and harmful behaviors
- Increased dignity, resilience, and hope for the future



CONCLUSION

The year 2025 showed that even in difficult settings like Kakuma Refugee Camp, **lasting change is possible** when communities lead their own solutions. By combining peacebuilding, sport, and ICT, PDRI helped transform tension into dialogue, idleness into participation, and skills into opportunity.

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