

AHADI FAMILY KENYA

A CHRISTIAN CHARITABLE CHILDREN'S HOME FOR
SCHOOL-AGED BOYS AT RISK



<https://ahadifamilykenya.org>

HISTORY AND MISSION

This Christian children's home in Kenya (East Africa) for school-aged boys who are at risk, began informally in 1999 in Nairobi, in the home of missionaries from the USA, Jon and Phyllis Masso. By December 2000, they relocated to a rental home of their own in the capital city of Nairobi and were known as SCREAM--Kenya. In December 2006, it was officially registered, with a name change and a new board, as Ahadi Family Kenya.

All these boys are vulnerable and in need of care and protection due to many factors such as parental death, neglect, abuse, abandonment, mental illness, incarceration, etc. Most of the boys are orphans who had no known relatives able to care for them, and some were street children.

“Ahadi” (pronounced A-ha'-dee) is the Swahili word for “Promise.” We believe these boys have promise--that is potential; and we promise to do our best to help them recognize and develop that potential, and to care for them and protect them. The boys also promise to be obedient and responsible.

In November 2012, God blessed us with a permanent home in a rural area, about 30 miles East of Nairobi, yet accessible from a nearby major highway.

In 2017, thanks to generous donors, we were able to build a second house for staff and where high school boys stay during school breaks, if they have not yet been reintegrated with relatives.

LEGAL REGISTRATION



Ahadi Family Kenya is a Children's Charitable Institution (CCI), registered with the Department of Children's Services in Athi River Sub-county, Machakos County. Certificate number 000054. After the Sub-county Children's Officer and our Social Worker have verified their need to be cared for outside their own home, the boys are legally committed to our care through the Mavoko law courts. We are also registered in Kenya as Ahadi Family Kenya Trust.

CORE VALUES

CARE AND PROTECTION: At Ahadi Family Kenya boys receive not only basic physical needs--such as food, clothing, shelter, and medical care--but are also given Christian nurture, social guidance and correction, love, and stability. They are cared for and protected by Christian qualified staff who agree to the tenets of the Children's Act which are incorporated into our Child Protection Policy.

SPIRITUAL NURTURE: The staff, who are all believers in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, nurture the Ahadi boys on a day-to-day basis in a Christian setting until we can reunify them to their relatives or a foster parent. We acknowledge Jesus Christ by the way we live, in loving God with all our hearts, souls and minds, and by loving our neighbours as ourselves. We also acknowledge Him by giving thanks, making our needs and others' needs known to Him in prayer, singing praises, by informal worship, and on Sunday with fellow believers in the community at a local Christian church.

FAMILY REUNIFICATION



Our social worker, in conjunction with the Sub-county Children's Officer and local chief, searches for the boys' extended families of origin and makes every effort to reunite them with relatives. Before leaving Ahadi and returning to their community, boys receive counseling, and the problems that caused the family separation in the first place are addressed.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



If the boys are placed with relatives who are unable to pay for school fees, we raise funds to cater for their education through high school.

STAFFING

House-parents, a social worker/manager, and cook are the major staff, assisted by a junior staff who is an alumnus of Ahadi Family (finished high school) and who helps with caretaking of the house. A night watchman is also employed to provide security, and we have a groundskeeper to maintain the 2-acre compound, including a vegetable garden and greenhouse.

GOVERNANCE



A Board of Trustees, comprised of the Founder and three Kenyans (an Executive Director, and two Ahadi alumni), make major decisions in consultation with the Social Worker/Manager. Property is owned by Ahadi Family Kenya Trust which was registered in Kenya in 2017.

FUNDING

We are thankful that God uses individual well-wishers as channels of His blessing, to make this Christian ministry possible. Many of our supporters live in the US. Others have visited, and they spread the word to their friends. Some donors have become sponsors of the boys who qualify for college or university while others have assisted with building projects, but most contribute to operational expenses. To join these well-wishers with one-time or recurring gifts:

IN THE US, make checks payable to **SCREAM USA** and **mail** to:
31 Benson Rd., Northbridge, MA 01534

OR

To give directly to our bank account using ACH, follow this link to register (esp. for recurring gifts):
<https://ahadifamilykenya.org/donate>

All donations are 501(c) (3) tax-exempt. Receipts are provided by SCREAM USA at year end.

OR

To donate using a debit card through Orphan's Joy <https://orphansjoy.revtrak.net> Select Ahadi Family Kenya Boys' Home.

IN KENYA, deposit in the Ahadi Family Kenya account at NCBA bank Kenya PLC and notify our Manager at ahadifamilyk@gmail.com