



PARTNERS FOR CARE

Bed Net Report

Creating a world free from malaria



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The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention." - Oscar Wilde

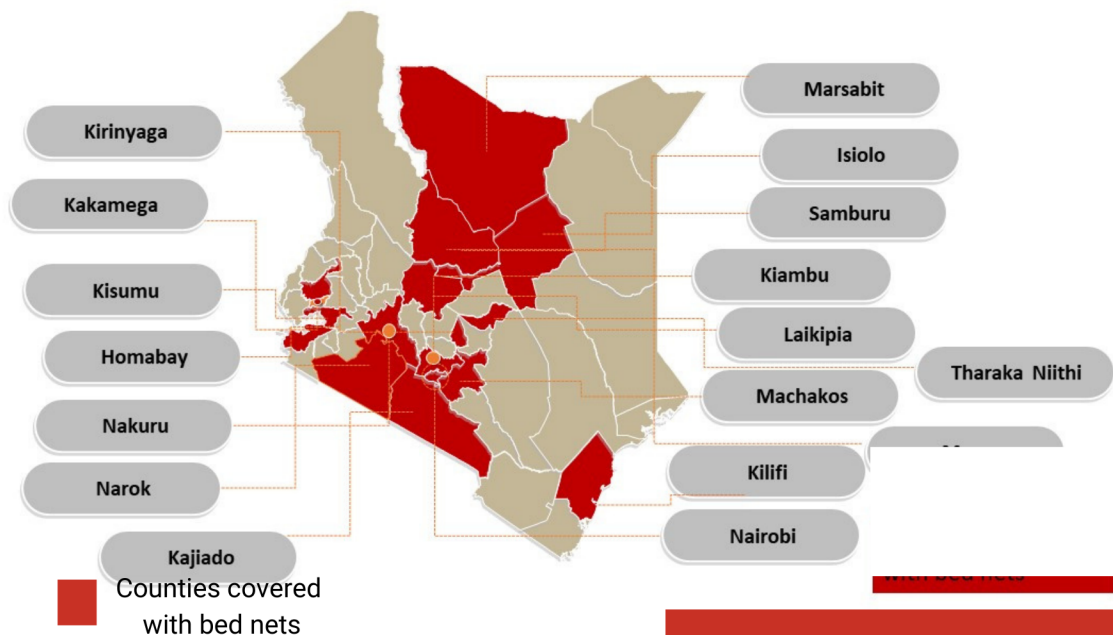
Summary

In our ongoing mission to combat the devastating impact of malaria on vulnerable groups, Partners for Care (PFC) has been diligently working to distribute bed nets in malaria prone areas throughout Kenya. To date, PFC staff have successfully distributed a total of **50,074** bed nets, prioritizing children under five, people with disabilities, the elderly, and expectant women. This is accompanied by comprehensive training sessions conducted by PFC staff on proper bed net usage and maintenance. PFC staff conduct regular follow-up visits to ensure sustained bed net utilization within the communities they serve.

Supporting PFC's bed net distribution program, findings from a study on insecticide-treated nets (ITNs) for preventing malaria by Pryce et al (2018) emphasizes the effectiveness of ITNs in malaria control. The study, which was mostly conducted in Africa, reaffirms the substantial impact of ITNs in reducing child mortality by an impressive 17%. This translates to saving 5.6 lives annually per 1000 protected children. PFC's ongoing distribution efforts align with this compelling evidence, highlighting the importance of bed nets in safeguarding the lives of children in malaria prone regions. According to the study, the PFC bed net program has saved **280,414** lives.

The staff's commitment to leaving no one behind is evident in their extensive reach, covering 17 counties, including hard-to-reach areas.

Map of bed net distribution in Kenya



Study link:
<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6418392/>

2023 In Review

In 2023, PFC staff distributed 20,004 bed nets, significantly expanding its impact in the fight against malaria. Some were produced by the PFC Sewing School in collaboration with partner sewing schools and HEART. These collaborations provided women with the opportunity to gain a skill and earn a living. The beneficiaries are deeply moved, not only by the protection of their families against malaria but also by the positive transformation these bed nets bring to their lives.



"Being part of the PFC bed net sewing program has been life-changing for me. It's not just about the skill I've gained, but the chance to earn a living with dignity. Sewing these bed nets has given me purpose. It's more than just fabric and thread; it's about weaving a better future for myself, my family, and my community. I am grateful for the opportunity!"
~ PFC Sewing School, Lydia Katumo

"Thank you so much for the bed net! Now, we can sleep and play together with my sister without worrying about falling sick from malaria. Thank you for making our home a safer place." ~Princess Atieno



"Receiving a bed net and a mobility cart has been a double blessing for me. The bed net protects me from malaria, ensuring I am productive and has saved me from the significant costs associated with treatment. Your generosity has transformed my life, and I am entirely grateful. ~Mr. Rashid, Kilifi County"

Thank you!

This would not have been possible without your unwavering support and commitment. Each bed net represents more than just a physical barrier against malaria; it symbolizes hope, compassion, and a collective effort to make a positive change in the world. In this regard, we the PFC staff in Kenya, would like to express our deepest gratitude for standing with us in this journey to end malaria. Your kindness has made a lasting impact! ❤️



"Do your little bit of good where you are; it's those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world." ~ Desmond Tutu