



# Newsletter



ISSUE 181 | 02<sup>ND</sup> - 05<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2025 | WWW.NYERI.GO.KE | 0721 019 019

## Nyeri Crowns Its New Tourism Ambassadors



Story by Governor's Press Unit | Compiled by Stephanie Wanjiru

'Within every heart lies the kingdom of wonder, where Mr. and Miss Tourism reign as ambassadors of grace, beauty, and the spirit of adventure.'

The 6th Annual Nyeri Tourism and Cultural Festival was recently concluded in a spectacular display of talent, intellect, and commu-

nity spirit, as new tourism ambassadors were crowned to represent the county's rich heritage and vibrant future.

The newly crowned tourism ambassadors and their runners-up, who were selected carefully out of the 26 contestants, represent the vibrant spirit and diverse

talents within Nyeri County. Their collective passion for promoting tourism and culture promises an exciting year ahead for Nyeri's tourism sector.

The highly anticipated pageant saw Sharon Kemuma take home the coveted title of Miss Tourism Nyeri County 2025, while Joseph Njeru was crowned Mr. Tourism Nyeri.

They were joined by their equally impressive first runners-up, Polly Owino and Alex Kimani, and the commendable second runners-up Yvonne Stacy Wanjiru and Leon Mwangi Wanjohi. This formidable team is now poised to champion Nyeri's allure.

These six individuals embody a blend of academic prowess, artistic passion, and a profound commitment to community service, making them ideal representatives for Nyeri County.

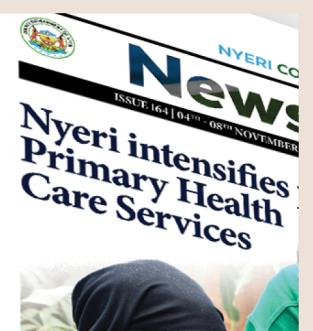
Their journeys, detailed below, reveal stories of resilience, innovation, and a shared dedication to making a positive impact.

**Continued on page 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7.**

# DOWNLOAD

Our WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

+254 721019019 | www.nyeri.go.ke





**Sharon Kemuma:  
Miss Tourism  
Nyeri County  
2025**



At 23 years old, Sharon Kemuma, originally from Nyamira County, has found a true home and purpose in Nyeri. An alumna of Moi Girls High School in Eldoret, Sharon recently completed her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Dedan Kimathi University of Technology and is currently awaiting her nursing internship. Her diverse background extends beyond healthcare, she is also an experienced customer service specialist, a budding entrepreneur through her eco-friendly wellness business, Scents and Smiles Kenya, and a dedicated cash crop farmer. Sharon's reign as Miss Tourism Nyeri is driven by a clear vision: to highlight the county's natural beauty, empower youth and women, promote primary healthcare, and champion sustainable tourism grounded in culture, heritage, and environmental stewardship. Her recreational hobbies of running, hiking, and traveling further underscore her appreciation for nature and exploration, qualities that will undoubtedly serve her well in her new role.

**Joseph Njeru:  
Mr. Tourism  
Nyeri County  
2025**

Born in Mwea, Kirinyaga County, 26-year-old Joseph Njeru's journey is a testament to the power of hard work and resilience. Growing up in an agribusiness-focused family, he developed an early love for the arts and dancing. His academic path, which began at Thome Primary School and led him to St. Paul's Kevote for high school, saw him excel in mathematics before pursuing a Diploma in Building Technology at Dedan



Kimathi University. He recently completed his Bachelor's degree in Building and Construction from the same university in May 2025. Joseph's career background is as impressive as his academic achievements. He gained hands-on experience as a Building Inspector with the County Government of Nyeri, where he focused on regulatory and technical aspects of construction and urban planning. Currently, he is engaged in professional architectural practice, applying his creative design principles and technical precision to various projects.

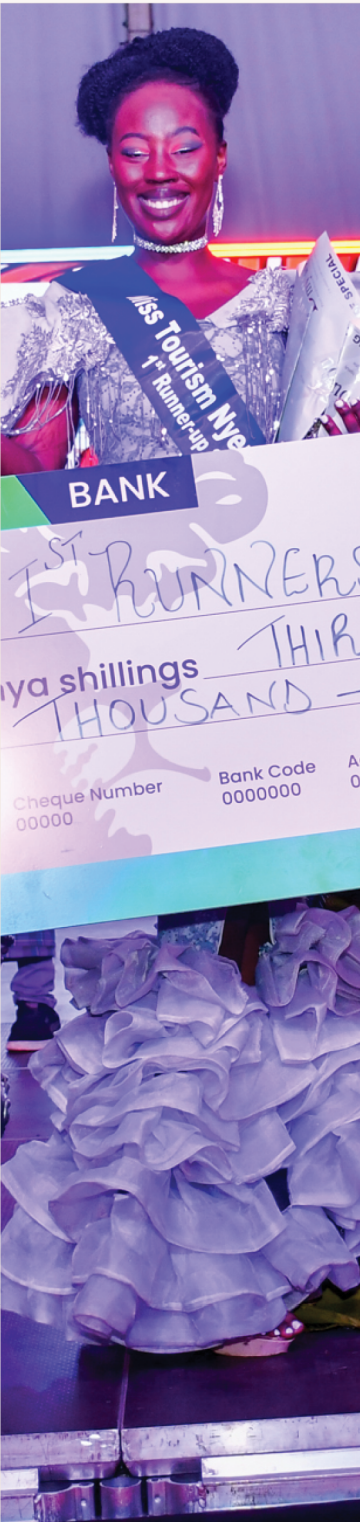


**Alex Kimani: Mr.  
Tourism Nyeri  
County 1st  
Runners Up**

Born in Olchoro on the slopes of Mt. Kilimanjaro, 24-year-old Alex Kimani's story is one of passion, purpose, and possibility. After spending nearly 17 years in Olchoro, he moved to Naromoru in Nyeri County, embarking on a new chapter of discovery and growth. Alex is a talented Mechanical Engineering student at Dedan Kimathi University, where he has immersed himself in innovative projects, including designing a 5-axis desktop CNC machine and an automated egg breaker machine. Beyond his engineering pursuits, Alex possesses a natural flair for performance and presentation. He has earned prestigious titles such as Mr. Campuses Nyeri County, 1st Runners Up Mr. Culture Dedan Kimathi University, and 1st Runners Up Mr. Tourism Nyeri County. For Alex, these titles are not just crowns but platforms to advocate for causes close to his heart, particularly mental wellness and child safety. He is the co-founder of Elevate Entertainment, a talent and events company, and a skilled graphic designer, choreographer, and dancer. His commitment to community service is evident in his participation in tree planting initiatives and clean-up campaigns, always striving to create safe and supportive spaces for youth. Alex's journey beautifully balances brains and beauty, performance and purpose, making him a truly inspiring young leader.

**Polly Owino:  
Miss Tourism  
Nyeri County 1st  
Runners Up**

Born and raised in Nyeri County, 23-year-old Polly Owino is a testament to local talent and dedication. Having attended Moi Nyeri Complex for primary education and Birithia High School, Polly has deep roots in the community she now helps to represent. A professional model and a graduate with a diploma in microfinance, she is currently furthering her education by pursuing a Bachelor's of Business Commerce. Polly's passion extends beyond the runway; she is a dedicated men's mental health activist, highlighting the importance of addressing mental well-being across all demographics. Her love for swimming also speaks to a balanced lifestyle, reinforcing her role as a holistic ambassador for the county.



**Leon Mwangi  
Wanjohi: Mr.  
Tourism Nyeri  
County 2nd  
Runners Up**

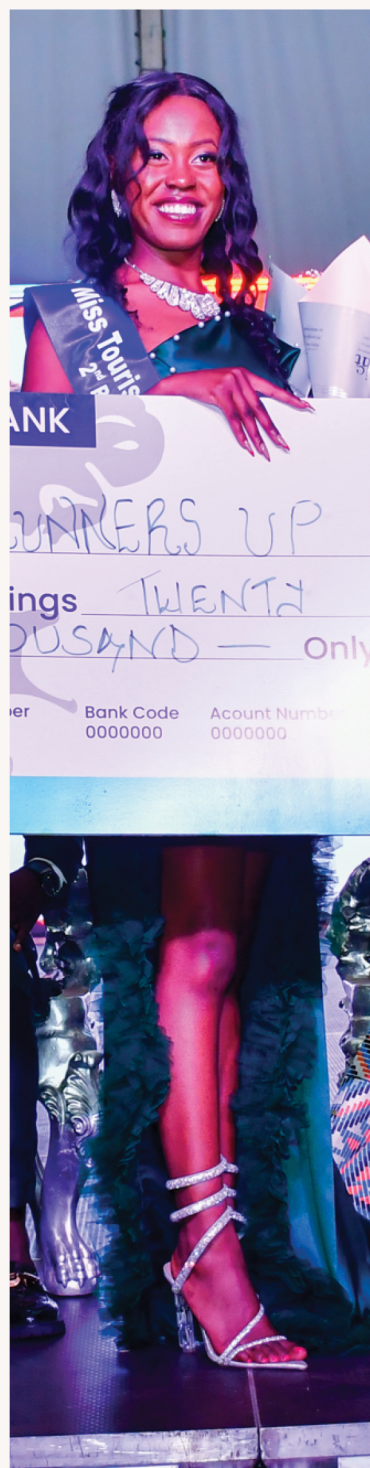


21-year-old, Leon Mwangi Wanjohi, currently studying Electrical and Electronic Engineering at The Nyeri National Polytechnic, brings a diverse set of skills and passions to his role as 2nd Runners Up Mr. Tourism. Leon is a dynamic content creator, a talented dancer, and a passionate model. Beyond his creative pursuits, Leon is a strong advocate against gender-based violence and a committed environmentalist. His involvement with the World Scout Parliamentary Committee underscores his dedication to broader societal issues. Leon's vision is clear: to help put Nyeri's tourist attraction sites on the global map, leveraging his multifaceted talents and advocacy for positive change.



## Yvonne Stacy Wanjiru: Miss Tourism Nyeri County 2nd Runners Up

From Tetu Constituency, 21-year-old Yvonne Stacy Wanjiru brings a dynamic blend of creativity and community dedication to her role as 2nd Runner-up Miss Tourism.



A recent graduate with a certificate in coffee making (barista), Yvonne is a vibrant content creator, dancer, and fashion enthusiast. Her strong drive towards working and serving the community is a cornerstone of her persona. Notably, Yvonne is a passionate mental health activist, deeply committed to helping young people find their purpose and understand the vast opportunities life has to offer. Her advocacy will undoubtedly be a powerful voice in Nyeri's efforts to support its youth.

The newly crowned tourism ambassadors and their runners-up represent the vibrant spirit and diverse talents within Nyeri County.

Their collective passion for promoting culture, sustainable development, and community well-being promises an exciting year ahead for Nyeri's tourism sector.

As they embark on their respective roles, they will undoubtedly inspire others and showcase Nyeri's unique charm to the world.

As they embark on their respective roles, they will undoubtedly inspire others and showcase Nyeri's unique charm to the world.

The 6th Nyeri Tourism and Cultural Festival, which was organized by the County Government of Nyeri through the Department of Trade, Tourism, Culture & Cooperative Development, took two days at Dedan Kimathi Kamukunji grounds.

The annual colourful tourism and cultural festival started with a procession outside the Governor's Office, which was flagged off by Nyeri Deputy Governor H.E. David Kinaniri.

At Kamukunji grounds, there was a variety of performances and exhibitions that took place, where the residents experienced the vibrant cultural displays, captivating performances, and diverse exhibitions that showcased the rich heritage of our community.

Nyeri Governor H.E. Mwalimu Mutahi Kahiga, PhD., EGH, graced the two-day event, which brought together local leaders, county staff, and local residents, among others.

The theme for this year's festival was 'Celebrating Tourism, Art, and Culture'.

The two-day celebration was a tribute to the richness of our heritage,



the depth of our cultural expression, and the untapped potential of our tourism sector.

Since its inception in 2016, this festival has been more than an event—it has been a movement. A bold declaration of identity, unity, and pride. Year after year, it has grown into a cornerstone of Nyeri's cultural calendar, drawing together communities from every corner of our county to share in the stories, talents, and traditions that make us who we are.

At its core, the festival reflects one of Nyeri County's defining values: inclusivity. It brings together people of all ages, tribes, religions, and backgrounds, creating a space where diversity is not just welcomed but celebrated. Here, the veils of difference are lifted, and the stage is set for creativity, innovation, and shared humanity to shine.

From captivating performances to exhibitions of local cuisine, art, craft, and enterprise, this festival pulses with the vibrant rhythm of Nyeri. It is a living showcase of our people's passion and resilience.

Nyeri is more than geography—it is a legacy. A land of heroes and heroines, of stories that echo with the courage and leadership of those who came before us. As we celebrate culture, we also honor the voices and footsteps that shaped our past and continue to guide our future.

Our breathtaking land-

scapes—from the misty folds of the Aberdares to the regal peaks of Mount Kenya—are more than scenic backdrops. They are part of our identity, and this festival is as much a celebration of our natural beauty as it is of our traditions.

In recognition of our values and contribution to national heritage, Nyeri was proudly declared a 'Scout City'—a symbol of service, leadership, and unity. This title reflects who we are: a people devoted to purpose and one another.

"Beyond celebration, this festival was a platform for empowerment. By uplifting local artisans, performers, entrepreneurs, and youth, we are investing in the cultural and creative economy. We are building pride and strengthening community bonds. We are lighting paths of opportunity," said the Governor.

Moreover, this initiative plays a vital role in advancing Kenya's Vision 2030, promoting sustainable tourism, cultural preservation, and inclusive growth. Through the lens of culture and tourism, we are projecting Nyeri's brilliance onto the national and global stage.

"This festival played a key role in transforming how the world views Nyeri. We have seen increased local and international interest in our County not just for its natural beauty, but for its authenticity, creativity, and warm people. Our cultural displays, music,

fashion, food, art, and storytelling are not only preserving our heritage but actively building our tourism economy," noted Dr. Kahiga.

Beyond the joy and pomp, the festival uplifted communities. It also empowered the youth, promoted local businesses, gave the artists a platform, and created employment. It has redefined Nyeri not just as the land of heroes, but as an exciting destination full of vibrant experiences.

The participation of schools, cultural groups, and local organizations speaks to a shared vision—a unity of purpose that is deeply rooted in the hearts of Nyeri's people. Their energy, creativity, and dedication are the soul of this festival, and I commend every individual who helped bring this event to life.

☑The Governor also extended his heartfelt appreciation to all the sponsors for their generous support, which had not only made the organization and success of the event possible but has also played a vital role in nurturing, recognizing, and celebrating local talent.

Thank you to all participants, partners, and citizens for making this year's festival a shining success.☑ We also had representatives from our Sponsors: World Scout Parliamentary Union-Kenya (WSPU), Co-Operative bank, Coca-Cola, Vera Beauty College, Darling, FK Resort, Tower Sacco, GTN TV, Gracies, 2NK Sacco, and Nyeri Hill Farm, who were the key partners in the event," acknowledged the Governor.

Nyeri County remains steadfast in its commitment to supporting initiatives that honor the culture, empower our people, and promote sustainable development. Together, Nyeri will continue to raise its flag high—at home, and across the world.



THE 6TH NYERI COUNTY ANNUAL

# TOURISM & CULTURAL FESTIVAL

## *Pictorial*





THE 6TH NYERI COUNTY ANNUAL

# TOURISM & CULTURAL FESTIVAL

## Pictorial





# THE 6TH NYERI COUNTY ANNUAL TOURISM & CULTURAL FESTIVAL *Pictorial*





THE 6TH NYERI COUNTY ANNUAL

# TOURISM & CULTURAL FESTIVAL

## Pictorial





# County Public Accounts Committee Meets Senate

Story & Photo - Joseph Wambugu

Nyeri Governor H.E Dr. Mutahi Kahiga, together with the Nyeri County Assembly Public Accounts Committee members, appeared before the Senate to address the unresolved issues raised in the Auditor-General's Report on the Financial Statements of the County Executive of Nyeri for Financial Year 2023/2024.

At a sitting of the Senate held on 27 March, 2025, the Senate considered the Report of the County Public Accounts Committee on the Consideration of the Reports of the Auditor General on the Financial Statements of the 47 County Executives for Financial Year 2023/2024.

The meeting mostly focused on the implementation status report on recommendations of the Senate Public Accounts Committee on



the Auditor General's Audit Report for the last financial year.

The Senate County Public Accounts Committee is established under standing order 193 of the Senate Standing Orders and is mandated-

- To exercise oversight over national revenue allocated to the county governments,
- To examine the reports of the Auditor-General on the annual accounts of the county governments;
- To examine special reports, if any, of the Auditor-General on county government funds, and
- To exercise oversight over county public accounts.

The meeting was Chaired by Taita Taveta Senator Hon. Johnes Mwaruma and assisted by Nairobi Senator Hon. Edwin Sifuna.

## Kikuyu Council of Elders Install New Nyeri Patron

Story - Joseph Wambugu  
& Photo - Peter Wangari

Culture is like a delicate but resilient flower—nurture it with tradition, history, and respect.

Let culture be a beacon that guides, a mirror that reflects, and a bridge that unites us in a shared heritage of humanity.

Together with Nyeri Deputy Governor H.E. David Kinaniri and other leaders, Nyeri Governor Dr. Mwalimu Mutahi Kahiga joined the Kikuyu Council of Elders during the installation of Wilson Gathirwa Wa Gĩturũ as the Patron (Ngamini) of Kikuyu Council of Elders - Nyeri County. The colourful ceremony was held at Kabiruini Show Ground and presided over



by Mugongoni Njogu Wa Githinji assisted by Muthamaki Ng'era among others. Leaders, elders, families, friends, and dignitaries converged at Kabiru-ini grounds for this momentous occasion under the sacred traditions of our land to witness this rare event.

The installation of a KCA Patron involved a traditional ceremony where the elders earlier select and appoint a respected community member to serve as the patron.

The new patron stands as a true servant of the people, a man whose wisdom, humility, and unwavering dedication to community upliftment have touched countless lives.

Governor Kahiga urged the elders to document the process of installation, such as this for future generation.



DIRECTOR  
**CAROL NDERI**

EDITOR IN CHIEF  
**JOSEPH WAMBUGU**

GRAPHIC DESIGNER  
**KENNETH NGATIA**

ASS. GRAPHIC DESIGNER  
**PRISCILLA MUTHONI**



# Governor Attends Soil Health & Scale Summit



Story & Photo - Kenneth Ngatia

Agriculture is a foundational sector for economic growth and rural livelihoods across Eastern and Southern Africa. It significantly contributes to national GDPs and employs the majority of the population in many countries. However, the sector faces persistent structural challenges, including declining soil fertility, widespread land degradation, and insufficient access to actionable data for decision-making. When agriculture suffers, Nyeri County suffers, and the whole nation suffers with it. Conversely, when agriculture thrives, Kenya

prosper. We cannot ignore the ticking time bomb beneath our feet: our soils are in crisis. Up to 65% of Kenya's soils are degraded, acidic, or nutrient-depleted. Fertilizer use remains too low or poorly matched. Land is being tilled, but it is not being restored. Without healthy soils, there can be no food security, no agri-business, and no climate resilience. This is not merely an agronomic issue; it is an economic, environmental, and national security imperative. Consequently, as the Council of Governors' (CoG) Vice Chair, H.E. Governor Mutahi Kahiga PhD., EGH joined Agriculture CS Hon. Mutahi Kagwe, Agriculture PS Dr. Paul Ronoh, Par-

mesh Shah (Global Lead for Digital Agriculture, Data and Innovation at the World Bank), and other stakeholders for a two-day summit named 'Getting Soils Up to Speed - A Data for Soil Health and Scale Summit'. This summit followed the African Fertilizer and Soil Health Summit (AFSH) held in Nairobi in May 2024, where heads of government committed their countries to implementing declarations aimed at addressing soil health to increase agricultural production and productivity. This summit aimed to chart the way forward on leveraging data-driven technologies and multi-stakeholder collaborations to address Kenya's critical soil health

issues. This involves harnessing digital technologies, such as data analytics, artificial intelligence, and fostering cross-sector partnerships to develop scalable solutions for enhancing soil health management and agricultural productivity. The summit featured knowledge exchanges, live pitch sessions, high-level plenaries, and expert panels. Nyeri has conducted over 3,000 soil tests, promoted lime applications in acidic zones, and partnered with AgTechs like AgroCares and Precision Agriculture to deliver mobile-based soil health advisories. Furthermore, all counties implementing the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Proj-

ect (NAVCDP) have piloted and pioneered soil health mapping in collaboration with the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organisation (KALRO). Though results are pending, this represents a significant step forward in understanding our soils and so the CoG urged KALRO to ensure this critical information is shared with stakeholders for action. Additionally, counties like Bungoma and Nakuru are scaling up financing for lime application. The summit was organised by the Ministry of Agriculture in collaboration with the World Bank, CGIAR, GIZ, SoilHive, Thryve Innovation Colab, and other strategic partners.

A collage of several covers of the Nyeri Monthly Newsletter. The covers feature various headlines such as "Leveraging foreign partnerships & collaborations", "Nyeri gets set for World Bank Mega Projects", "Mega boost for Nyeri lined-up for utmost", "Normal settlements", "Nyeri scoops Position One on Aquaculture Innovation", and "Nyeri County wins Best of Best award for 2024".

Download

# NYERI COUNTY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

[www.nyeri.go.ke](http://www.nyeri.go.ke)



# King'ong'o Prison delegation meets DG



Story - Imelda Kinogu & Photo - Kenneth Ngatia

In dark times like these, we stand firmly for justice. Yet even as we pursue accountability, we must remember that prisons exist not only to punish but also to rehabilitate those who have strayed. This is not a defence of crime but an affirmation that our justice system must be fair—not vengeful. Some individuals may still deserve a second chance, or at least, to be treated humanely. On behalf of the Governor, H.E. Dr. Mwalimu Mutahi Kahiga, PhD., EGH, Deputy Governor H.E David Kinaniri hosted a team from King'ong'o Maximum Prison who paid him a courtesy call at his office. The delegation, led by Gerald Kibui, Senior Superintendent of Prisons, expressed their gratitude for the continued support from the Nyeri County Government. They particularly appreciated the donation of foodstuffs made to the prison during last Christmas, a gesture that brought joy and reminded the inmates that they are not forgotten, even during festive times. As a token of appreciation, they presented tree seedlings cultivated by the inmates as part of their rehabilitation training. These programs equip prisoners with valuable skills, aiming to help them reintegrate into society meaningfully.

## Oesophageal Cancer Screening Campaign



The Department of Medical Services and Public Health, in partnership with Kenyatta University Teaching, Referral and Research Hospital (KUTRRH), The University of Manchester (UoM), and The Christie NHS Foundation, successfully launched the Oesophageal Cancer Screening Campaign. The campaign team visited Othaya Level IV Hospital, aiming to conduct endoscopic examinations on individuals who had previously undergone pre-screening at their local health facilities. Notably, all suspected clients are receiving FREE on-site endoscopy services, with biopsy samples referred to KUTRRH for further analysis. Confirmed cases will be linked to treatment either at the County Referral Hospital or KUTRRH, depending on the severity of the disease. In addition, clients diagnosed with other gastrointestinal conditions such as Chronic Gastritis or Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD) will be referred to the appropriate Level IV or County Referral Hospital for further care and management. The team also visited Mukurweini Level IV Hospital. We urge all Nyeri County residents to visit their nearest health facility and take advantage of the ongoing pre-screening services. Early detection saves lives!

Download  
**NYERI COUNTY WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**  
[www.nyeri.go.ke](http://www.nyeri.go.ke)





# Community Dialogue at Muthuthu-ini Dispensary

Story - Barbra Wambui  
Photo - Elizabeth Wangui

Muthuthi-ini Dispensary in Mukurwe-ini sub-county played host to over 90 residents from the area who showed up to attend a very interactive dialogue session between the community and the hospital staff and administration.

This meeting, held every three months, was coordinated by the healthcare team led by Public Health Officer in charge of Gikondi ward Martha Munyoro.

The meeting began with feedback regarding some of the issues raised at the previous meeting, including but not limited to:

- The successful formation of hypertension and diabetes support group,
- Upcoming mental health clinics

During the session, residents raised a number of requests



to boost the facility including a laboratory, specialists and essential drugs for the clinics.

While addressing those present, PHO Martha was pleased to announce an up-

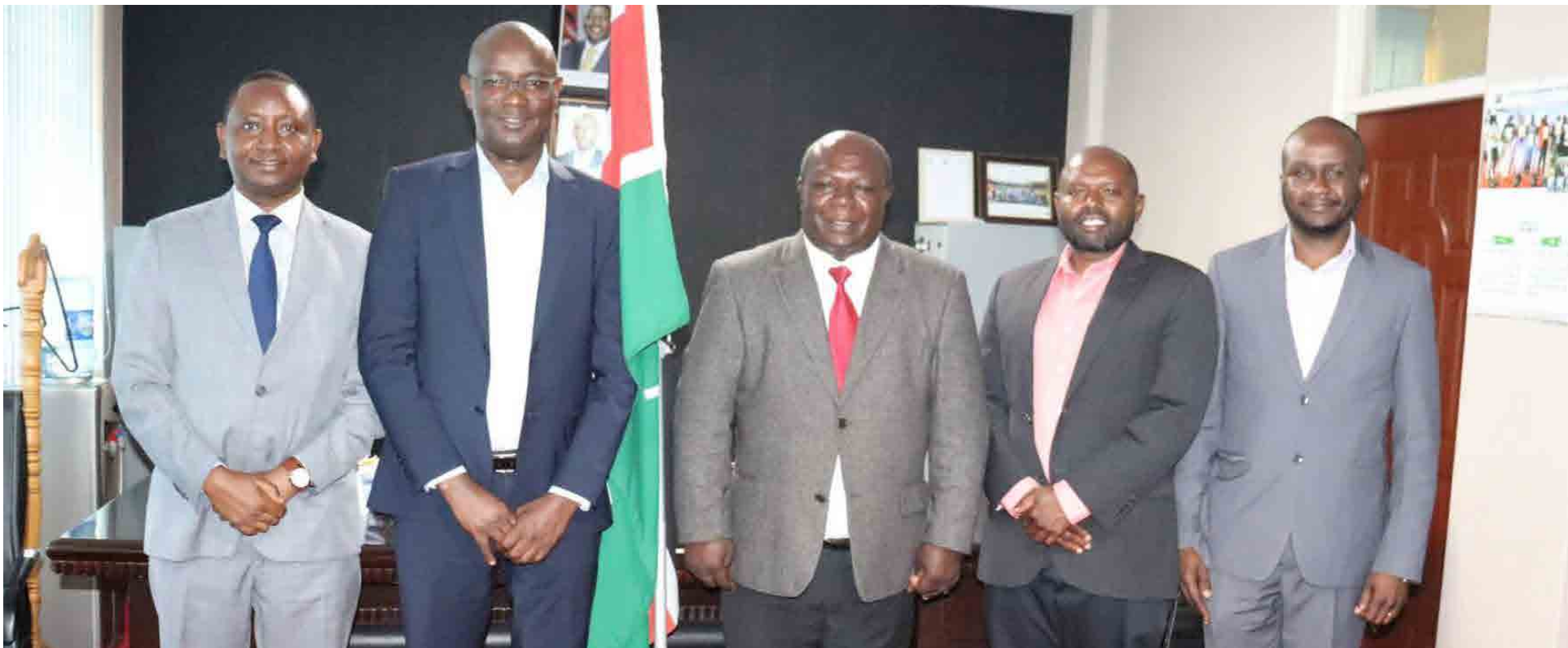
coming in-reach to be held in June, where doctors and specialists would be in attendance to provide free screening and medical advice on various ailments and conditions.

Deputy Facility -in- Charge Grace Gathoni heartily encouraged the residents to patronize the facility often and in large numbers as this would lead to more resources becoming available for

their benefit.

This community dialogue session was supported by Amref Health Africa's Project THRIVE, represented by Officer Anthony Msongo.

## Strengthening Partnerships for Improved Health Service Delivery



The CECM for Medical Services and Public Health, Dr. JM Kiragu, hosted a delegation from the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA) during a courtesy visit to the Department.

The visit sought to enhance the collaborative framework between the County Gov-

ernment of Nyeri—Department of Medical Services—and KEMSA by streamlining the procurement and distribution processes for Health Products and Technologies (HPTs) across the County.

Nyeri County is expecting a consignment of medical supplies valued at approx-

imately KES 70 million.

Once received, the supplies will be distributed to all public health facilities, significantly boosting the county's healthcare service delivery.

KEMSA Director of Commercial Services, Eliud Muriithi, commended the County Government of

Nyeri for its commitment to the timely payment of outstanding invoices, which has resulted in minimal or no pending bills—an achievement that sets the county apart from many others.

In his remarks, Dr. Kiragu reaffirmed the Department's dedication to ensuring con-

sistent availability of essential medical commodities, underscoring that such partnerships are key to improving access to quality healthcare for all residents of Nyeri.



# IYF Academy Graduation Held at Whispers Park, Nyeri

Story - Rozina Nderi  
Photo - Jim Steven

Whispers Park was a scene of celebration and inspiration as 110 young people graduated from the International Youth Fellowship (IYF) Weekend Academy, a life-changing skills training program run by the IYF Nyeri Branch. The graduation ceremony marked the successful completion of an intensive training initiative aimed at equipping youth with employability and entrepreneurial skills, offered completely free of charge. The academy trained participants across a diverse range of practical courses, including computer packages, graphic design, painting, electrical installation, catering, sign language, theology, taekwondo, tile fixing, phone and computer repair, French, hairdressing, piano, and digital marketing. The program focused not only on technical proficiency but also on cultivating



discipline, resilience, and a solution-oriented mindset. The event brought together graduates, parents, trainers, community stakeholders, and development partners, all gathered to recognize the dedication and achievements of the youth. The atmosphere was filled with optimism as graduates received

their certificates and showcased demonstrations of the skills they had acquired. The Guest of Honour CECM- Youth Esther Ndung'u, who was represented by Director Monica Thumbi, congratulated the graduates and commended IYF Nyeri for its unwavering commitment to empower-

ing young people. She emphasized the importance of nurturing a generation that is self-driven, entrepreneurial, and community-focused. She noted that such initiatives are key to building a resilient youth population capable of driving local development and economic transformation.

She reiterated the County Government of Nyeri's continued support for youth empowerment programs and acknowledged that meaningful progress requires strong partnerships between the government, civil society, and development organizations. Thumbi further noted that the County remains committed to creating an enabling environment where young people can access training, mentorship, resources, and opportunities to thrive. The graduation ceremony served as a powerful reminder of what is possible when young people are given the tools and encouragement to take charge of their futures. The 110 graduates now leave the academy not only with new skills but also with a renewed sense of purpose, ready to contribute meaningfully to their communities and to the broader goals of innovation, job creation, and sustainable development.

## County Joins Nyeri Girl Guides for MHM Walk

Story - Rozina Nderi  
Photo - Jim Steven

Whispers Park was a scene The Department of Gender, Youth, Sports and Social Services joined the Nyeri Girl Guides Association in a meaningful Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) walk. The walk was flagged off at the historic Baden-Powell Gardens in Nyeri County and proceeded to Nyamachaki Comprehensive School. This event aimed to raise awareness on menstrual hygiene management and empower girls through education and community support. Guided by the Girl Guides code—which emphasizes honesty, responsibility, loyalty, respect, and service



to others, the participants showcased commitment to improving the lives of girls and young women across the County. The procession was led by the Nyeri Girl Guides County Commissioner and

featured the presence of distinguished guests including representatives from WAGGS (World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts), the Ministry of Education, the County Government of Nyeri, and the Office of the

Woman Representative. The day's activities included speeches, entertainment, a talk on menstrual hygiene, and the official launch of the MHM initiative for Nyeri County. The Nyeri County Govern-

ment remains committed to supporting youth and gender-responsive programs that promote inclusive health, education, and leadership opportunities for all



# Nyeri County Marks Madaraka Day at the Home of Freedom Fighter

Story - Rozina Nderi  
Photo - Jim Steven

The County Government of Nyeri, through the Department of Gender, Youth, Sports and Social Services, observed Madaraka Day with a special visit to the home of General Macharia Kihuthuki in Chaka, Kieni East Sub-County. The event was held in recognition of General Kihuthuki's contribution to Kenya's struggle for independence being Kenya's oldest surviving freedom fighter and the only living General in Nyeri



County, aged over 105 years. The event brought together local leaders, residents, and dignitaries in a celebration that blended solemn remembrance with cultural pride. The ceremony featured traditional dances performed by local cultural troupes, storytelling sessions recounting the struggles of the independence era. As part of the county's social support initiative, the De-

partment of Gender distributed care packages to over 50 elderly residents in attendance, many of whom were former Mau Mau veterans or dependents of freedom fighters. Family members of General Kihuthuki shared personal anecdotes, providing attendees with intimate insights into his life and dedication to Kenya's liberation. The County Government of Nyeri reiterated its commitment to supporting community welfare programs and ensuring that the legacy of Kenya's heroes continues to inspire future generations.

## CHPs' Refresher Training Workshop



Community Health Promoters (CHPs) drawn from Mathira East sub-county convened at Karatina Town Hall for a three-day refresher course on Concepts of Health and Development. The CHPs representing various wards and facilities within Mathira East were taken through a range of topics including:

- Right to health;
- What is a healthy community;
- Factors influencing and hindering health and development;
- Roles of CHPs in tier 1 services;
- Community partnerships, and,
- Community governance, leadership and organisational structures.

The training, led by Facilitator Paul Wachira, was held under the auspices of Amref Health Africa's Project THRIVE in partnership with the Department of Medical Services and Public Health. Over 200 participants came through for the workshop, expressing gratitude and appreciation for the importance and timely information being shared. We continually recognize and salute our CHPs for the critical role they play within our primary health-care networks.

## Ihuririo Dispensary World Hypertension Day Commemoration



The Department of Medical Services and Public Health Nyeri South Sub County in partnership with Amref Health Africa - Project THRIVE held the World Hypertension Day Commemoration at Ihuririo Dispensary. This is in line with the Department's goal of decentralizing the World Health Days commemorations from County level to having the days marked within the various health facilities in the County. The day was aimed at creating awareness on Hypertension and its complications as well screening of the various blood pressure and

blood sugar complications. It was marked through offering services such as:

- Hypertension screening
- Blood Sugar screening
- Nutrition assessment and counseling
- General consultation
- Eye Check ups
- Dental Check ups
- Cervical and Breast Cancer screening
- Physiotherapist review
- ENT services
- Mental Health assessment and counseling
- SHA registration

DOWNLOAD

Our WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

+254 721019019 | www.nyeri.go.ke

NYERI COUNTY WE-

Newsletter

ISSUE 181 | 02ND - 05TH JUNE 2025 | WWW.NYERI.GO.KE | 0721 019 019

How Nyota bean is transforming lives in Kieni

(MABA). It has many declared benefits as compared to the other bean varieties such as:- It has a short maturity period; - It has a lot of protein, 20%, high fibre that protects from constipation; - It develops many pods per plant - 25 or more pods per plant with 5 grains per pod; - takes a shorter



# COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYERI



P.O. BOX 90-10100  
Telephone 0745342000



## COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

### ADVERTISEMENT OF VACANT POSITIONS

The County Government of Nyeri wishes to recruit competent and qualified persons to fill vacant positions in the following Departments:

#### 1. COUNTY SECRETARY'S OFFICE

- i) Chief Officer, Governor's Office, Job Group 'S', 1 post
- ii) Chief Officer, Finance and Accounting, Job Group 'S', 1 post

#### 2. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, ECONOMIC PLANNING AND ICT

- i) Audit Committee Members, 2 Posts
- ii) Revenue Clerks, Job Group 'D', 20 Posts

#### 3. DEPARTMENT OF GENDER, YOUTH, SPORTS AND SOCIAL SERVICES.

- i) Director, Youth Affairs and Sports, Job Group 'R', 1 Post
- ii) Social Welfare Officer II, Job Group 'J', 2 Posts
- iii) Social Welfare Officer III, Job Group 'H', 2 Posts
- iv) Firemen, Job Group 'F', 3 Posts.

The full details of the job descriptions, requirements for appointment, and the Employment Form can be accessed on the website [www.nyeri.go.ke](http://www.nyeri.go.ke).

#### HOW TO APPLY

**A Hard copy** of the duly filled Employment Form, together with copies of **all academic and professional certificates together with testimonials**, should be sent or hand delivered to:

**THE SECRETARY,  
NYERI COUNTY PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD,  
P.O. BOX 90-10100,  
NYERI  
CELLPHONE: 0745342000**

All applications should be received on or before **25<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 at 5.00 pm.**

#### NOTE:

- 1. Any communication from the County Public Service Board SHALL be through the above-provided address and cellphone
- 2. The County Public Service Board does not charge for any of the recruitment exercises, including shortlisting and appointment. Any request for payment or favor should therefore be reported to the police for appropriate action.
- 3. The County Government of Nyeri is an equal opportunity employer and hence Persons with disability, the marginalized and the minorities are encouraged to apply.
- 4. Only the short-listed candidates will be contacted by the Board.





# COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF NYERI

Ground Floor- Town Hall  
P.O BOX 1112 – 10100 Nyeri



**OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MEMBER FOR FINANCE, ECONOMIC PLANNING & ICT/ HEAD OF COUNTY TREASURY**

## PUBLIC NOTICE

### WAIVER OF 100% INTEREST ON LAND RATES FOR REGISTERED AND NON REGISTERED PLOTS

**WAIVER PERIOD: 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

The County Government of Nyeri with the approval of H.E. Dr. Mwalimu Mutahi Kahiga, PhD., E.G.H, as part of the economic recovery strategy hereby gives notice to all Land Rates defaulters that 100% interest sums outstanding as at 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 – 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025 will be waived on the following conditions:

at the Rate payer clears in full the total principal land rate arrears and pays 10% administrative costs based on principal amount payable.

All Land Rate defaulters are hereby WARNED that upon failure to pay, legal consequences will be instituted which include but not limited to: -

1. Compel Land Rates defaulters' tenants to pay directly to the County Government until the Land Rates and interest are fully paid.
2. Cancel or withdraw any license/permit granted in the premises in which Land Rates have not been paid.
3. Withhold any development approval until full payment of Land rates are received for the said Land.
4. Charge the property over unpaid rates plus interest until the full amount is cleared.

5. Deny all other services offered by the county Government of Nyeri.

The County Government of Nyeri operates a Cashless Payment system of Revenue. All payments should be made through our County Revenue Collection A/C held at Cooperative Bank Nyeri Branch, Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB) Nyeri Branch, Equity Bank Nyeri Branch or Mpesa Pay Bill.

**COOP BANK ACCOUNT NO. :01141666594400**  
**BANK CODE : 11000**  
**KCB BANK ACCOUNT NO. :1140760319**  
**BANK CODE : 01**  
**EQUITY BANK ACCOUNT NO. :0110280843674**  
**BANK CODE : 011**  
**MPESA PAYBILL No. :191900**

Concerned property owners should make payments upon obtaining Bills/Invoices from their respective Sub-County Revenue Offices and forward the banking slips for issuance of an official receipt within the waiver period. Kindly comply. For Mpesa payment you MUST indicate the Sub-County, Block and plot number as your account number (e.g for Nyeri Town Block 1 Plot no. 2 indicate NYR 1/2). For more information on Mpesa payment contact Mobile No. 0714952473.

#### NB:

1. Failure to present the banking slip for receipting immediately after payment will not relieve the obligation to pay late payment penalties where applicable.
2. Any person who owns a property in Nyeri County or has ever transferred a property please ensure that you update the property details with the County on or before expiry of the waiver period. Upon expiry of this waiver period the County shall publish the names of the defaulters and initiate the legal process for recovery of the outstanding rates. Further note that the County Government will not take any liability for publishing wrong Plot details.

Pay your rates in time for efficient service delivery and development of our County.

Thank you.  
Sincerely,

Robert Thuo Mwangi.  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER/HEAD OF COUNTY TREASURY**



**H.E. Dr. Mwalimu Mutahi Kahiga, PhD., E.G.H, Governor Nyeri County**

