

Sponsor a Centre in Kenya:

Variety Village Vocational School



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Variety Village offers residential practical skills training for young men and women aged 15-25 years.

Youngsters study one particular skill for two years and then sit a government trade certificate. Special provision is made for those who cannot do a trade test, but can learn a basic skill such as weaving.

People with special needs are particularly welcome and trainees include those with physical, visual and hearing impairments in their classes.

A great majority of children from Joy town school for the disabled and Thika school for the blind are referred to Variety Village to gain a better chance to succeed in life.

Children from other non-academic Salvation Army homes also take the opportunity of learning skills at Variety Village.

The courses offered at the vocational school are:

Metalwork | leatherwork | carpentry | sign writing | tailoring and machine knitting. The centre also has an optical unit serving the local community.

Generally speaking, only children referred from Salvation Army homes are sponsored. Others have to pay fees, which although less than those charged for most secondary schools, still preclude many from taking advantage of these courses.

Fees are kept as low as possible by selling items produced in training.

Given the current circumstances and the financial struggles of variety village, centre sponsorship is very much required **to keep its doors open.**



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