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**CONSOLIDATING GAINS TO POSITION
THE YOUTH CONGRESS AS THE PREMIER YOUTH
ORGANIZATION IN KENYA**

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Acronyms & Abbreviation

ADRES	Africa Development Research, Evaluation and Strategy
AMADPOC	Africa Migration and Development Policy Center
CS	Cabinet Secretary
CFLI	Canada Fund for Local Initiatives
CBO	Community Based Organizations
EAI	East Africa Institute
FBO	Faith Based Organizations
GIZ	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit
KBC	Kenya Broadcasting Corporation
KCDF	Kenya Community Development Foundation
KEPSA	Kenya Private Sector Alliance
MPSYGA	Ministry of Public Service Youth and Gender Affairs
NGAAF	National Government Affirmative Action Fund
NGEC	National Gender and Equality Commission
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
UN	United Nations
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNEP	United Nations Environment Programme
TYC	The Youth Congress
YEMESA	Youth Employment and Migration in East and South Africa
YEN	Young Entrepreneurs Network

Acknowledgement

The Youth Congress is grateful for the contribution from our members, networks and youth serving organisations that have worked and inspired us in this period.

We are beholden to the staffs, interns, volunteers and the guidance of the Advisory Council/Board that contributed to the success.

The team at the secretariat include;

Raphael Obonyo - Convener/ Executive Director
Halima Osman - Programme Officer
Henry Ogola - Co-convener/ Programme Coordinator
Christine Osongo - Finance Officer
Fredrick Mwangi - Program Associates

Finally, we are grateful to our partners for the support, especially, the Ford Foundation, High Commission of Canada - Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI), Kenya Community Development Foundation (KCDF), UN- Habitat, GIZ, The Aga Khan University- East Africa Institute (EAI), Ministry of Public Service Youth and Gender Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA) among other partners.

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Message from **Chairperson**

The Youth Congress has continued to experience exciting growth and new opportunities.

Over the last one year, we have seen some of the greatest advancements in youth development and youth sector. Your generous support to The Youth Congress played a role in this success, and there is so much more to do.

What is so unique about The Youth Congress is that we have put ourselves out as the real youth agent and as an organization that is willing and ready to learn. We design our programs hand-in-hand with the youth to meet their needs and concerns and ensure ownership so that the impact lasts for generations to come. We are empowering youth to take control of their own destinies, and I am proud to say we are making waves.

The Youth Congress is demonstrating that Youth are no longer in the waiting - they are leaders of today and tomorrow.

On behalf of The Youth Congress Board, thank you for your partnership and support this year, and we look forward to working with you to have an even greater impact in the years to come.

Caren Wakoli

Chair, The Youth Congress, Board

Message from **Convener**

The past one-year has been great as we continued to make progress in promoting youth leadership and participation. In the year just ended, our organization further consolidated its achievements and registered record levels of engagements and milestones. This would not have been possible without the staff, partners and youth who are passionate about making a measurable impact in everything we do.

What we have witnessed makes me even more excited and optimistic about our future and the ways in which we can deepen our impact. Our central objective remains accelerating youth emancipation. The Youth Congress continues to champion youth inclusion in every sphere.

In this year, we have continued to strengthen youth collective voice and give greater emphasis on the fact that youth are not leaders of tomorrow – but of now and the future. We believe equally that youth in Kenya need opportunities. They represent dynamism, talent and energy that must be harnessed for the continent to make real progress. It should go without saying that the youth are Kenya –and we cannot leave Kenya behind. Most important, exclusion deprives and hurts everyone not just the youth.

We have intensified our contribution in fighting youth exclusion, and stepped up our efforts in mobilizing and organizing the significantly large youth constituency for collective action. We are making remarkable progress in coordinating the youth constituency.

I hope you will take time to read through our annual report to learn more about the progress and impact that we have made.

Thank you for making our work possible and for partnering with us to advance our shared goals for youth development. But that is not all. There is more work to do and we urge you to continue walking and working with us.



Raphael Obonyo

The Youth Congress, Convener



Part 1

1.0 Introduction

This is The Youth Congress annual report for the financial year October 2018 to September 2019. The report gives a brief account of the activities planned and successfully implemented and achievement towards the Strategic Plan 2018- 2020 goal- Consolidating gains to position The Youth Congress as the premier youth serving organization in Kenya.

The report is divided into four main parts as follows;

- Part One - Introduction that provides a brief profile of The Youth Congress and the focus
- Part Two - Programme, the activities and strategies deployed under each Programme to contribute to achievement of the objective for this period
- Part Three - Partners and stakeholders The Youth Congress engaged for technical and financial support to ensure success of the strategies and
- Part Four - Financial resources for the period under audit.

1.1 Origin & Identity

The Youth Congress (TYC) is a registered, youth serving Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) that provides young people with a platform to articulate their issues, explore opportunities for participation and leadership to effectively address their interest, concerns, aspiration and engage young people in social, economic and political process for development.

The organization emerged in the run-up to the 2007 general elections in Kenya as part of efforts by youth to seek development and emancipation through political accountability. Just before the elections, the youth of the then Kasarani Constituency in Nairobi developed the Kasarani People's Manifesto, which parliamentary and civic candidates had to sign as a show of their commitment to work with the constituents in bringing about real development. Subsequent events led to formation and consolidation of The Youth Congress, which has evolved and is currently present in a number of informal urban settlements and in different parts of Kenya.

1.2 Our Vision

An inclusive society in which the youth enjoy all rights and apply their agency

1.3 Our Mission

To provide a platform for the youth to improve their status and realize their full potential



1.4 Our Strategic Objectives

- Meaningful participation of youth in policy-making and implementation.
- Meaningful youth participation in leadership and governance processes.
- An empowered youth population benefiting from available opportunities and utilizing their skills and talents for economic development.
- An effectively governed and managed organization with adequate resources to deliver its programmes.

1.5 Our Strategic Approaches

- Capabilities approaches to youth rights.
- Mainstreaming of youth in all processes.
- Community-based work focused on root causes of poverty and marginalization.
- Information sharing, generation of knowledge and nurturing of skills.
- Partnership with individuals, groups and organizations with a shared vision.
- Reliance on unity, social cohesion and collective action amongst the youth.
- Promotion of equity and equality.
- Inclusive and gender-responsive Programme and practices.

1.6 Our Values

Independence

Direction based on internal principles and organs.

Relevance

Coping with the emerging trends and applying innovation to address them.

Volunteerism

Reliance on the intrinsic motivation of members.

Integrity

Honesty, accountability, transparency and professionalism in all undertakings.

Non-discrimination

Inclusion of and respect for all regardless of natural, political, social, cultural, religion, economic or other distinction.

Resilience

Determination and passion in all pursuits.

1.7 Our Niche

TYC is a self-driven, community rooted and human rights based movement of the youth for the youth. It serves as a reliable youth agent, especially for young people in deprived communities who bear the brunt of exclusion and impoverishment. It addresses the diverse political, social, economic and cultural concerns of the youth through passion, intellectualism, professionalism and role modeling. TYC relies on community-based mobilisers to build its membership and access communities. At the same time, it blends and interacts with the government and corporate world without compromising its focus on needy communities.

1.8 Programmes

1.8.1 Policy and Research

The Programme aims to realize meaningful participation of youth in Policy-making and implementation. Its expected outputs are: improved knowledge on existing policies and their effect on the youth; one stop information center on the state of the youth in Kenya; coordinated advocacy initiatives on youth issues; and increased youth participation in policy making and advocacy.

1.8.2 Youth and Leadership

The Programme aims to realize meaningful youth participation in leadership and governance processes, and to build the next generation of youth leaders with vision and values. Its expected outputs are: youth in leadership positions and processes; increased awareness and capacity of youth to engage in leadership and governance processes; and youth actively promoting ethical leadership.

1.8.3 Youth Entrepreneurship, Talent and Innovation

The Programme aims to realize an empowered youth population benefiting from available opportunities and utilizing their skills and talents for economic development. Its expected outputs are: young people equipped with entrepreneurial skills; young people linked to financial opportunities and markets; talent realization and utilization by the youth; and partnerships and alliances built to advance youth economic development.

1.8.4 Institutional Development

The Programme aims to realize an effectively governed and managed organization with adequate resources to deliver its Programme. Its expected outputs are: adequate resources for smooth and effective implementation of activities; a staff complement that is competent, passionate, determined and responsive to youth values and agenda; functional partnerships and networks; inclusive, participatory and gender responsive Programme; management systems, guideline and policies developed and implemented; and functional and inclusive management and governance systems.

1.9 Our Organisational Structure

Level	Implementation Mandate
The General Assembly	The General Assembly consists of representatives of the various organs of The Youth Congress. These include: Secretariat, Advisory Council, Youth Assembly and partners. The General Assembly defines the overall direction and mandate of The Youth Congress.
Youth Assembly	This consists of representatives of the various youth organisations, forums and networks that work with The Youth Congress Youth Leagues. It facilitates mobilization, organization and communication within The Youth Congress and beyond.
The Advisory Council	The Advisory Council serves as the Board to The Youth Congress. It consists of selected persons with expertise in different fields and who provide strategic advice, guidance, mentorship and oversight to The Youth Congress on behalf of the General Assembly.
The Secretariat	The Youth Congress has a core human complement of staff namely: Convener/ Executive Director, Co-convener/Programme Coordinator, Finance Manager, Programme officers and Assistants, Administration staff and other team members. The secretariat is responsible for the management of the organisation's routine affairs and reports to the Advisory Council and the membership. Inclusion, gender balance, commitment to gender equality and technical expertise on gender issues are considered in the recruitment of staff and consultants.
Reference Teams	These are ad hoc teams constituted to provide technical services and assistance to The Youth Congress on specific matters. They consist of specialists, interest groups and selected individuals.
Partners and Networks	These are individuals and organizations that share and support The Youth Congress. They include; NGOs, Faith Based Organizations (FBOs), Community-Based Organizations (CBOs), governments, private sector and development agencies.



2.0 Programme

The Youth Congress has organized its work around four thematic areas; Policy and Research; Youth and Leadership; Youth Entrepreneurship, Talent and Innovation and Institutional Development.

2.1 Policy & Research

Strategic objective: Meaningful participation of youth in Policy-making and implementation.

During this annual report period, the flagship activities implemented and achievements under the Policy and Research Programme, included;

- **2.1.1 The Youth Congress Gender Policy (2019)**

The organization gender policy has been developed through a consultative process-engaging The Youth Congress structures and networks, national youth serving organisations, government agencies- line Ministries and National Gender and Equality Commission (NGEC) among other stakeholders and the implementation commenced. The policy helps The Youth Congress analyse and address gender issues and undertake gender-responsive in planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of policies, programmes, projects and research.

- **2.1.2 Fact-finding and mapping of youth initiatives done in Mombasa, Kilifi, Homabay and Kisumu counties.**

The Fact-finding Report on Youth in Blue Economy in Kenya was published and disseminated. The fact-finding targeted individuals, groups, organisations and agencies to submit information on current state of youth and the blue economy, and recommendations on strategies to deepen young people's engagement in the sector. The report reveals the status of youth in Blue Economy in four counties namely; Mombasa, Kilifi, Kisumu and Homabay. The report provides recommendations for strengthening youth participation in blue economy.

- **2.1.3 Mapping of youth enterprises in Roysambu & Mathare Sub- Counties, Nairobi;**

The Youth Congress carried out a mapping exercise to identify youth enterprises in Roysambu and Mathare sub-counties. A database of more than 100 youth initiatives and have been developed and a mapping report -Mapping Youth Enterprises in Mathare and Roysambu Sub-Counties highlighting key findings of the survey, published and disseminated to diverse stakeholders. The report is being used for needs assessment and an important tool for capacity building, networking and engagement with duty bearers and other stakeholders on matters related to youth development.

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● **2.1.4 Review of the National Youth Policy 2019 National Validation Forum:**

The Youth Congress (represented by the Convener, Raphael Obonyo) was nominated on 13 October 2016 to the Ministerial Technical Working Committee on the review of the 2007 National Youth Policy. The Youth Congress actively participated in the review process. The organization mobilized and organized youth and made submission on the draft National Youth Development Policy at the youth serving organizations and youth network forum organised by Ministry of Public Services, Youth and Gender Affairs on February 13, 2019. Also, The Youth Congress published and disseminated a report titled: Youth Policy Review: Tracing the Steps, Marking the Lesson documenting its engagement on the review processes as a lesson and to inspire and mobilise participation in policy processes.

● **2.1.5 Youth Employment and Migration in East and South Africa (YEMESA):**

The Youth Congress participated in the Youth Employment and Migration in East and South Africa (YEMESA) study conducted by Africa Migration and Development Policy Center (AMADPOC) through recommending enumerators and participated in the Youth Employment and Migration in Eastern and Southern Africa (YEMESA) dissemination workshop agenda on 17th June 2019 in Nairobi. The finding of the study has informed youth programming by county and national government, youth serving organizations and development partners.

2.2 Youth & Leadership

Strategic objective: Meaningful youth participation in leadership and governance processes.

The flagship activities implemented and achievements under the Youth and Leadership Programme, included;

● **2.2.1 Youth and the Blue Economy Conference:**

The Youth Congress convened the conference on November 23, 2018 at the United Nation, Nairobi. The theme of the conference was; Enhance Youth Participation and access to opportunities in the Blue Economy. The conference brought together 300 youth from Kenya and other parts of the world. Participants developed a Youth 'Declar-Action' and was presented on behalf of the youth by Ms. Maimunah Mohd Sharif United Nations Under Secretary-General Executive Director, UN Habitat at the Sustainable Blue Economy Conference 2018. The conference was graced by H.E. Lisa Stadelbauer Canada's High Commissioner to Kenya and Permanent Representative to UNEP and UN Habitat, Dr Francis Owino, former Permanent Secretary Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs, Ambassador. Erastus Barine – who presented the speech from Ambassador Dr. Monica Juma, Cabinet Secretary Foreign Affairs and International Trade and Elizabeth Wakesho Marami (first female marine pilot in Kenya) among other guests. The event created a platform for engagement, networking and consolidation of youth voices on Blue Economy.





- **2.2.2 Regional and global youth engagement;**

Members of The Youth Congress participated at the regional and international forums to advance the youth discourse. These included; Africa Regional Conference: Youth Participation in Politics, -theme “ Advancing youth political participation and leadership in Africa at Parliament of Uganda, Kampala on 4th-5th March 2019 organised by Commonwealth partnership for Democracy; the 3rd ‘YouthConnekt’ Africa Summit 2019 on October 9 - 11, 2019 in Kigali, Rwanda; Exchange and Learning Visit with Palestine Youth in Kenya, and a Conference themed “Palestinian Youth in Lebanon: the Quest for Participation on January 30th to February 1st , 2019 in Beirut Lebanon that was organised under the auspices of GIZ-Lebanon. The engagements enhanced visibility of the organization and provided opportunities for networking and build solidarity and collective action on youth agenda. Most important, the activities enabled The Youth Congress to contribute and shape regional and global youth discourse.

- **2.2.3 Pathway to Blue Economy Symposium:**

The Youth Congress in partnership with UN-Habitat, The Commonwealth Youth Programme and Canadian High Commission convened Pathway to Blue Economy Symposium on 23 - 24 May 2019 at the United Nation, Nairobi, Kenya. The theme of the symposium- ‘Harnessing Economic Opportunities for Urban Youth through Innovation. The conference was graced by H.E Lisa Stadelbauer, Canada’s High Commissioner to Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda and Dr. Manu Chandaria, Industrialist among other distinguished guests. This was a great platform where youth and different stakeholders shared opportunities in Blue Economy, networking and engagement with duty bearers and other stakeholders. Joint call for action-reinforces a clear pathway to integrate youth in the Blue Economy was developed.

- **2.2.4 Training a new generation of leaders:**

In its contribution to developing new generation of leaders, The Youth Congress continues to train and link young people with opportunities for mentorship and coaching. The organization mainly targets young leaders from youth serving organisation and learning institutions. Trainers used the guide-Youth Mentorship and Leadership; Developing Leader to engage up-coming young leaders.

- **2.2.5 Knowledge generation and dissemination:**

The Youth Congress developed and published information pack and resource material on diverse youth topics including; Youth Mentorship and Leadership; Developing Leader; Youth Policy Review: Tracing the Steps, Marking the Lesson; Mapping Youth Enterprises in Mathare and Roysambu Sub-Counties; A Youth ‘Declar-Action’; Youth and the Blue Economy and Pathway to Blue Economy Conference Reports. It also developed and disseminated Information Briefs (Info-Briefs) under various issues of youth concern, this included; Will the sleeping giant offer youth jobs?; The low hanging fruits to offer youth blue economy jobs... Harnessing Blue Economy Opportunities. The publications can be accessed from www.theyouthcongress.org for free. The resources are to sensitize, engage and create conversation to advance youth agenda on topical issues.

● 2.2.6 Media and civic engagement:

Media engagement through publication of info-briefs/articles on youth and the Blue Economy. These included;

- Article published on Monday October 29, 2018 in Daily Nation- Business Daily- Blue Economy Pre- Conference to focus on youth opportunities. See link; https://www.nation.co.ke/business/Pre-conference-blue-economy-to-focus-on-youth/996-4827282-8qac19/index.html?fbclid=IwAR2LTSeA9_MyPRpm-9mKqEj-skArgUFRuj3yNuH3Dcqj8pyep5OChgpr8V2Y.
- Article published on Wednesday November 28, 2018 on Daily Nation-Business Daily -Blue Economy: Will the sleeping giant offer youth employment?.
- ADRES Group interview with Raphael Obonyo at the 2018 Youth and Blue Economy Conference -Youth Employment and Blue Economy <https://youtu.be/M8-zv89P7sg>.
- Article written by Claire Wanja published by KBC on November 26, 2018, Title: Kenyan youth want to be included in harnessing blue economy- <http://www.kbc.co.ke/kenyan-youth-want-to-be-included-in.../>
- Information on Youth and the Blue Economy published on the UN Facebook, Twitter(@unhabitatyouth and Website;<https://unhabitatyouth.org/blue-economy-youth-conference-to-focus-on-youth-opportunities/>
- Information on Youth and Blue Economy shared on The Youth Congress face book and website (Facebook: The Youth Congress and Website: www.theyouthcongress.org)
- UN-HABITAT Executive Director Maimunah Sharif presented the Youth DeclarAction to the Blue Economy Conference 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya- Watch the speech bit.ly/2DYaSLb . Live broadcast on national Television
- Discussions on Youth and Blue Economy #BlueEconomyKe #YouthDeclarAction. Were trending on the day.
- Article published in the Business Daily on Wednesday March 6, 2019 -LETTERS: Unlock the maritime industry to create jobs (find the link- <https://www.businessdailyafrica.com/news/Pre-conference-blue-economy-to-focus-on-youth/539546-4827186-nmsggh/index.html>

2.3 Youth Entrepreneurship, Talent and Innovation

Strategic objective: An empowered youth population benefiting from available opportunities and utilizing their skills and talents for economic development.

The flagship activities implemented and some achievements under the Youth Entrepreneurship, Talent and Innovation Programme, included;

● 2.3.1 Youth Economic Development Stakeholder Engagement Forum;

The stakeholders meeting was held on the 22 August 2019 at The Luke Hotel, Nairobi. The meeting brought together about 60 representatives from; national and county government- Youth Enterprise Development Fund, Sub County Administrator-Mathare Sub County, Nairobi City County, National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF), Media-Ghetto Radio, Young Entrepreneurs Network, private sector and other stakeholders. The Youth Congress met with the stakeholders and introduced the new project themed; 'Improving Livelihoods for Young Women and Men and Access to Opportunities for Economic Development'. The duty bearers and other stakeholders shared with the youth on their programs and available opportunities and access for economic empowerment. Platform for network and linkages created.

● 2.3.2 Courtesy Visits to Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs and Chandaria Foundation;

The courtesy visits in this period included; Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs on September 5, 2019 and Dr. Manu Chandaria on September 6, 2019. The courtesy visits brought together representatives from the ten groups that are members of the Young Entrepreneurs Network .The groups have developed and submitted the business ideas and linkages for business development.

● 2.3.3 Young Entrepreneurs Network (YEN):

The Youth Congress continue to work and strengthen the network of young entrepreneurs for economic development. This through training, mentorship, coaching, learning and exchanges and apprenticeship. The support for the groups whom form the network has created employment for youth in the urban slums.

● 2.3.4 Ideation, Coaching and Mentorship:

The Youth Congress conducted trainings, mentorship and coaching session for young entrepreneurs in urban slums. It is platform for youth to interact, engage and build relationship with mentors and coaches for their business. The trainers and mentors identified interest that included; urban agribusiness, Salon and Beauty, Hawking and Boutique, Communication and Marketing, Financial Management, Leadership among others. This has built network and skills for young entrepreneurs for business development.





2.4 Institutional Development

Strategic objective: An effectively governed and managed organization with adequate resources to deliver its Programme

The flagship activities implemented and achievements under the Institutional Development, included;

- **2.4.1 Recruitment and Retention of staffs:**

The organisation has engaged four staff, in the position of, Executive Director, Programme Coordinator, Finance Officer and Programme Officer. The team has been complemented by the support of Interns, Volunteers and network coordinators for the day-to-day operation of the organization- secretariat. The organization has also engaged the services of consultants on need basis.

- **2.4.2 Staff capacity development:**

Staff members have participated in different national and global forums for exchange and learning. This learning have been used to better the organisation work for efficacy.

- **2.4.3 Media and Communication: The organisation engage its members and the public through various media platforms that include;**

Website: www.theyouthcongress.org, Facebook Page: The Youth Congress, Twitter: The Youth Congress (@youthcongresske), Instagram: Youth Congress and a YouTube channel: Youth Congress. Created a forum for engagement with stakeholders to advance youth issues.

- **2.4.4 Returns and compliance:**

The organisation in cooperation with some of its partners has gone through self- assessment to identify areas of weakness and strengths. The assessment will help the institution to strengthen its areas of weaknesses for effectiveness. The Youth Congress is Tax compliant and shares its annual and audit reports with its partners, regulators- NGOs Coordination Board, stakeholders and the public- the reports can be accessed at the website: www.theyouthcongress.org . This for accountability and credibility.



3.0 Partners

The Youth Congress worked in partnership and received technical and financial support from Foundations, Embassies, United Nation Agencies, Non-Governmental and Research organisations and youth networks. We are grateful for the support in 2018/19 financial year.

Partners	Project/Initiatives
Ford Foundation	Developing Next Generation Leaders: Growing youth to be Leaders and Active Citizens.
Kenya Community Development Foundation (KCDF)	Improving Livelihoods of Young Women and men, and Access to Opportunities for economic development.
Canadian High Commission- Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI)	Enhancing Informed Participation of Youth and Young Women and Access to Opportunities in Blue Economy Development.
Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Youth and Blue Economy Conference; Enhance Youth Participation and access to opportunities in the Blue Economy.
Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs	Review of the National Youth Development Policy (2019) and Economic Development.
UN- Habitat, Nairobi Kenya	Youth and Blue Economy Conference, Pathway to Blue Economy Conference and YouthConnekt Africa Summit 2019.
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)-Lebanon	Exchange and Learning Visit- Palestine Youth in Kenya and Conference- "Palestinian Youth in Lebanon: the Quest for Participation"
African Migration and Development Policy Centre (AMADPOC)	Youth Employment and Migration in Eastern and Southern Africa (YEMESA).
Our Youth Networks	Conceptualization, planning, implementation and monitoring and evaluation of The Youth Congress program.





Part 4

4.0 Financial Report

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REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

TO THE MEMBERS OF: THE YOUTH CONGRESS

We have audited the accompanying financial statements set out on page 6 to 13 of The Youth Congress which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2019, the income and expenditure statement, statement of change in capital funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: The Management Committee is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with generally accepted non-profit accounting principles and applicable international financial reporting standards, the Kenya Society's Act. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY: Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those Standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal controls relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and significant estimates made by the by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provides basis for our opinion.

OPINION: In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of financial position of the Society as at 30th September, 2019 and of its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted non-profit accounting principles and applicable international financial reporting standards.

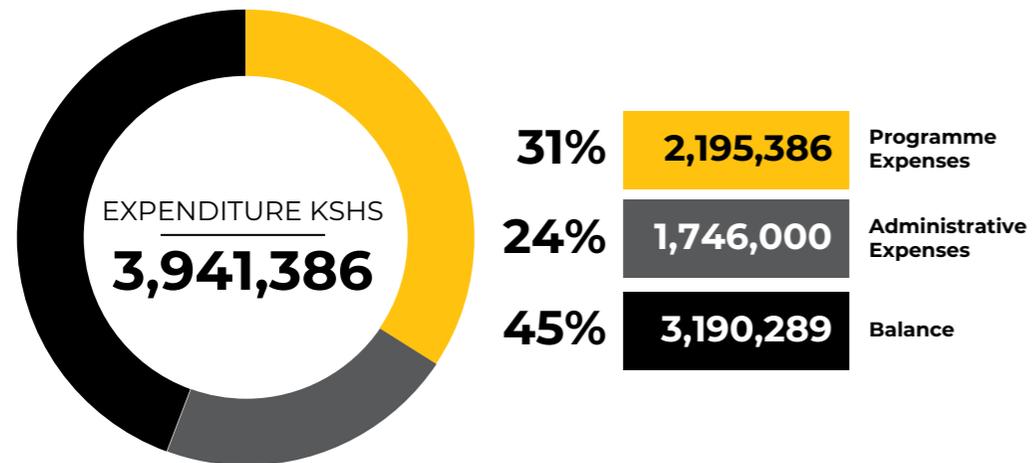
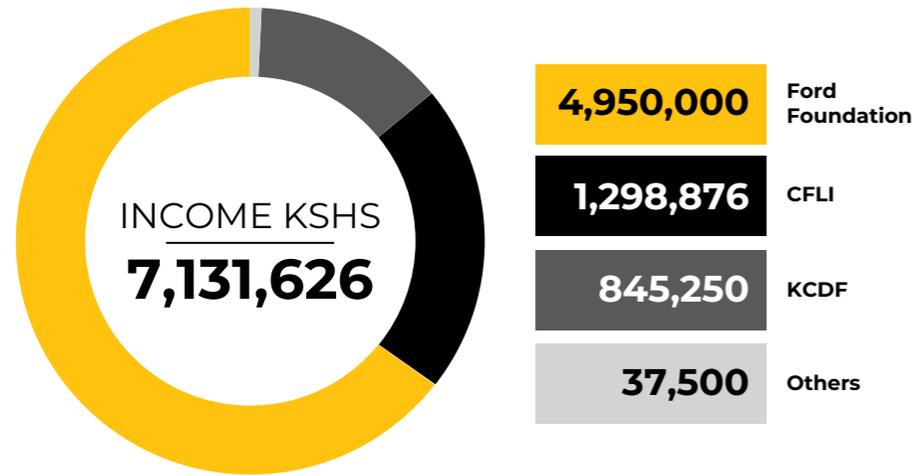
The Engagement partner responsible for the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report was CPA Samuel N. Kibe, Practising Member of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya.

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