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## CHEPs 42<sup>nd</sup> Eye Camp

**Venue: Narok**

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### **Introduction**

It is alarming that 282 million people worldwide have abnormal vision and 14% of them are completely blind. Also of concern is the fact that 90% of visually impaired people live in low-income settings.

CHEPs is on a mission to improve the eye sight of such needy communities and prevent blindness among them. We do so by conducting eye camps, to examine them, conduct tests, and treat their eye diseases thereby preventing progression to blindness as well as provide them with spectacles to improve their vision. We also provide surgeries to restore vision among cataract blind people.

We have so far conducted 42 eye camps in low-income setups across Kenya providing services to over 9000 needy people. We have treated over 5000 of them with various eye medications, and providing over 3000 of them with spectacles. We have also operated over 500 cataract blind people to restore vision.

Our 42<sup>nd</sup> eye camp was held in Narok town. The county is located within the Great Rift Valley, covering an area of 17,944 sq KM, and having a population of 850,920 residents.

Narok is home to Maasai Mara, a world renown game reserve that hosts The Great Migration, considered the 8th wonder of the world, that sees over 1.3 million wildebeests migrate across the border to neighbouring Tanzania. It however also hosts many eye diseases including Trachoma, an eye infection that is estimated to affect [30% of the population](#) and if left untreated [leads to blindness](#).

During the camp, the team examined 226 men, women and children for eye conditions.

We acknowledge HAIDCO LTD for sponsoring this camp, and invite you to partner with us in our efforts to prevent blindness and restore vision in millions of reversibly blind needy people.

The table below is a summary of services provided.

ACTIVITY	NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED
Total number served	226
Spectacles given out to improve vision	75
Eye drops dispensed to treat eye diseases	202
Allergic conjunctivitis	113
Myopia	8
Trachoma	9
Cataract blind cases diagnosed and referred for surgery	20
Other conditions	25

**The eye camp in pictures:**



Eye camp in session



Eye camp in session



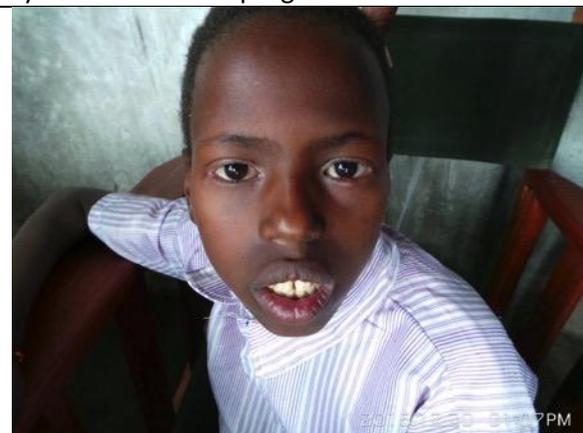
Eye camp in session



Eye examination in progress



Eye examination in progress



Child treated for trachoma



Happy to have clear vision again



Examination in session



CHEPs team member instilling eye drops for patient



Visual acuity examination in session



Medication and spectacles dispensed free of charge



The team