
Sein Shololoi, aged 12, from Oldonyio-Orasha Village, Narok District, Kenya

Sein has four brothers (aged 16, 10 and twins aged 4) and two sisters (aged 11 and 7). She goes to Olenkuluo Primary School in Narok District, Kenya.



Like many Kenyans, her parents are livestock keepers. They keep goats and cows.

Sein used to have to cross a river every day to collect water and attend school. But sometimes the river levels rose so much that it was dangerous to cross.

“Depending on the amount of rain, I’d have to stay at home for weeks or sometimes months at a time.

I missed a lot of school and fell behind with my work. My classmates were able to attend school regularly.

When I couldn’t go to school I would feel bad as I was losing out on my education - I was very envious as I watched other children on this side of the river attend school.”

This problem was affecting several children. So the School Management Committee at Sein’s school worked with ActionAid to build a footbridge to connect the villages of the Narok region to the school and the local medical clinic.

“The new footbridge means that I can attend school every day.”

Background information

Sein is a sponsored child and ActionAid has been working with her community for a number of years, on a variety of projects.

We’ve been working with the School Management Committee at Sein’s school to help them improve the school environment and raise attendance levels, as well as gain access to the government funding that they’re entitled to.

With increased funding lobbied from the state government, as well as funding from child sponsorship, the Committee worked with ActionAid to build the new footbridge, renovate the existing buildings at Olenkuluo School and build new classrooms and toilets.

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