

On behalf of the entire Free The Children Family, we would like to extend a sincere thank you to our friends and supporters at Rumble and Roar.

We are incredibly grateful for your passion for health care and the surgical wing in Kenya. We are excited to share the updates below with you and hope you enjoy reading about the tremendous progress being achieved.

Baraka Updates

Since its opening four years ago, Baraka Health Clinic has made a massive impact in the Mara Region and improved access to primary health care for over 30,000 Maasai, Kipsigis and Kisii community members in the Narok South District. The centre is the leading health care facility in the region, and recently Baraka's Maternity Wing was voted by the Narok County District Quality Assurance Team as the best maternity wing in Narok County!

Carrying forward the success we had with the Baraka Health Clinic and the Maternity Wing, we broke ground on the Baraka Surgical Wing in 2015. This surgical facility will further improve our ability to provide even more advanced, extensive and quality health care for families in the region. Construction on the site is well underway. The first building is almost complete, with smaller tasks such as plastering and painting remaining. Construction is also in full-swing for the inpatient facility that will support the surgical patients in their recovery.

While the building is being constructed, our team has been busy on the ground explaining the comprehensive new health services that the community will be able to access in the near future. We held a meeting with community health workers to create awareness about the clinic and to explain the services that will be offered to the pregnant mothers who visit the antenatal care clinic for treatment, as well as the mobile clinics in the Irkaat and Osenetoi communities. The mothers are grateful that this will help provide comprehensive obstetric care, especially in the event of complications arising during labour and delivery that need surgery.

The construction of the clinic will further leverage some of the existing technology at Baraka, such as the ultrasound and x-ray equipment. It will also increase the capacity and opportunity to host medical specialists from around the world on medical trips. Our team is committed to looking at sustainable solutions for the project, to ensure surgical and inpatient services are available to patients for years to come.



First building almost complete!



Inpatient facility under construction

We are thrilled to see the excitement of the community members as construction of the surgical facility nears completion and are eager for the opening ceremony in August 2016!