



**BOMET COUNTY
GOVERNMENT**

SERVANT LEADERSHIP ONE YEAR SCORECARD OF GOVERNOR DR. HILLARY BARCHOK



Pace-setting prosperity in Bomet County

The past year has been an ebb and flow journey, the height of it all being losing our second governor, the late Dr Joyce Laboso, on July 29, 2019. Although our hearts are still heavy with sorrow, we are emulating the values, principles and servant leadership that she instilled in us. Her hard work, dedication and devotion to serve the people of Bomet is still alive today. As a government, I will ensure that the development promise that we pledged to the people of Bomet will be delivered.

Bomet is on a path of progressive transformation in line with the Big Four agenda, thanks to the sound economic policies and strategic plans that the late Dr Laboso and I established. Our development blueprint is built on economic empowerment, service delivery and good governance. With these structures in place, we are realising the implementation of meaningful development to our people. This success is also attributed to the existing peace and tranquillity in the manner we conduct our politics in Bomet – the politics of development.

Agriculture is the backbone of Bomet's economy. We continue to invest in value addition in the dairy, chicken, Irish and sweet potatoes value chains through adoption of relevant policies, standards and guidelines to stimulate improved performance of these industries.

Leveraging on our rich agricultural lands and robust dairy sector, we are building sustainable food production systems and implementing resilient agricultural practices that increase productivity and production, while maintaining safe ecosystems.

We have restored hope in the public service by establishing a new public service board. Now the delivery of services to the people is effective and efficient.

Our children can now get access to



H.E Dr. Hillary Barchok
Governor, Bomet County

quality education, given that we have constructed new ECDE classrooms and employed additional teaching assistants. Our people can now access quality health services owing to the improved health infrastructure that has been up-scaled and equipped with medical supplies and qualified personnel.

We have embarked on aggressive road works, which include maintenance and opening up of new roads to attract investment and spur economic growth. My government has stepped up efforts to increase accessibility and ease of movement of people and goods across the county by constructing high quality road networks and other public infrastructure.

We have prioritised access to clean water in our budgetary allocations because we are keen on supplying clean water to various households and public institutions. We have connected several households with water. Automation of services has

further improved revenue collection. With these noble initiatives, we are laying the infrastructure for wealth creation as we strive to empower our people. I am committed to ensuring that we deliver on these core areas that set the pace for Bomet County to soar in heights of prosperity.

Despite the Covid-19 pandemic that has disrupted world and local economies, we are committed in our resolve to stand up and forge ahead as an economic powerhouse in the region. We continue to monitor the spread of this deadly disease.

Through our County Emergency and Response team, we have activated our emergency preparedness and response mechanisms.

Out of resilience, we have harnessed the skills of our technical learners from our local technical and vocational training institutions to produce over 200,000 masks for free distribution countywide. We are tapping the skills of our *Jua Kali* artisans to make hospital beds and hand washing stations in mitigating the spread of coronavirus disease.

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I acknowledge our new and existing development partners who have walked with us, among them the Kenya Red Cross Society, World Bank, World Vision Kenya, Kenya Forest Service, Equity Group Foundation, James Finlays (K), Unilever, Tenwek Hospital and the Bomet Business community, among others.

We are also working closely with the National Government and the County Assembly leadership to advance the devolution agenda in Bomet.

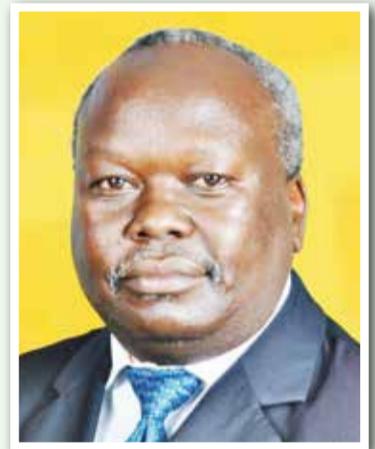
Though very emotive, the transition process from the administration of our late Governor, H.E Dr Joyce Laboso, to the current administration of H. E. Dr. Hillary Barchok, was guided by the existing statutory and legal provisions and procedures. The process was also largely participatory and consultative as the County Government ensured that residents were actively involved in all the events that took place. As a result, the people owned the process and subsequently acknowledged and accepted the new administration. The goodwill from the people towards Dr Barchok's administration has since grown by leaps and bounds, as evidenced by the huge support it enjoys across the county.

We are indeed greatly indebted to the great people of Bomet for their continued moral support that they sustainably accord to us. The shared vision, grounded on the joint manifesto that H.E Dr Hillary Barchok and the Late Dr Joyce Laboso still glows and radiantly lightens our paths as we serve the great people of Bomet with diligence and dedication.

Coming at a time when I was still the Speaker of the County Assembly of Bomet, my nomination to be the Deputy Governor came as a surprise to many. My move to the Executive was borne out of a unanimous landmark decision that was made by the County Assembly through a vote of 36 out of 36, that also cemented the convergence of agreement between the County Assembly and the office of the Governor, concerning my nomination. This agreement became a solid foundation and a true testament of the unity of purpose between the two organs, that has continued to blossom day after day.

Ever since my appointment as the Deputy Governor, I have continued to maintain cordial and consultative working relationship with my Governor, who is very supportive. We share similar vision, ideals, clarity of set operational and institutional targets and great sense of duty to the people of Bomet county and beyond.

I am also grateful for the appointment by the Governor, Dr Hillary Barchok, to serve



H.E David Shadrack Rotich,
Deputy Governor Bomet County

as the Executive member to the Lands, Housing and Urban Development docket. We have purposed to institute strong land administration governance and systems. We have great plans of strengthening the county land registry, identification and securing of all public land, among others.

We intend to develop and strengthen our market centres, towns and municipalities to enable them provide the much needed urban infrastructure and supportive services. Additionally, the department intends to support Sotik, Mogogosiek/Boito and Sigor/Siongiroi to grow and possibly attain municipal status in the near future.

We have laid down innovative programmes to achieve the big four agenda on Affordable Housing, among them updating our county physical planning and revision of Bomet Municipal Valuation Roll.

Recently, a national survey on happiness index was conducted, where it turned out, that out of the 47 counties, Bomet was ranked Kenya's fourth happiest county nationally. This can largely be attributed to the peaceful and harmonious working relationship that we have with all the Bomet Leadership and also amongst our stakeholders – an ingredient for meaningful development to thrive.

How Bomet is performing in the various sectors

AGRICULTURE

87,000 seedlings

The number of Tissue Culture Banana seedlings that Bomet County Government has distributed to farmers under its subsidy programme.

87,000 SEEDLINGS



Bomet County Government has further distributed 83,000 seedlings of the Hass avocado variety to farmers in the upper zones of the county. The county government has further distributed 51,000 grafted mango seedlings.

302,000 vines

The number of sweet potato vines distributed in parts of Chepalungu and Bomet East sub-counties.

Bomet County Government, in partnership with World Vision, has additionally set up a sweet potato plant at a cost of **Ksh27 Million** in Lelaitich, Chepalungu. The county government has supplied 2,300 bags of Irish Potato seeds and 8,702 Batian seedlings to over 20 co-operative societies.

Ksh58 million

The amount of money allocated for the renovation of 169 tea buying centres. The fund was channelled through co-operative societies.

68 milk cooling plants

The county government has installed 35 milk cooling plants, with additional 33 secured from the national government and the Smallholder Dairy Commercialisation Programme (SDCP) to help farmers from different co-operative societies to bulk and chill their milk.

500,000 litres

Bomet produces an average of about 500,000 litres of milk daily, with 60 percent of the volume sold to various milk processors in the country, including the neighbouring counties of Kisii, Migori, Narok and Kisumu.

12,000 dairy cows

The number of dairy cows served under the Artificial Insemination (AI) programme in the last one year.

The county government has facilitated the vaccination of about **200,000** animals against livestock diseases such as Foot and Mouth Disease, Black Quarter (BQ), Lump Skin Disease (LSD), anthrax and rabies.

12,000 DAIRY COWS



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How Bomet is performing in the various sectors

Ksh58.5 million

The amount of money jointly allocated by the county government and World Vision Kenya towards construction of Chebunyo Dairy Milk Processing plant. The plant will process at least 2,000 litres per hour once it is operational.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

139 health facilities

The number of health facilities in the county with over 1,000 medical staff, out of which 200 are designated for Universal Health Coverage (UHC) programme.

Dispensaries, having met the required standards, have been upgraded to health centres, bringing a sigh of relief to the residents who would previously travel long distances to find medical services.

139 HEALTH FACILITIES



Longisa County Referral Hospital

Longisa County Referral Hospital has been equipped and modernised with expanded services, which include an operational oxygen plant serving all the wards in the facility and also providing oxygen to other facilities; renal dialysis; ophthalmic services; orthopaedic surgery; CT scanning service with a newly installed 64-slice CT scan machine; as well as oncology and chemotherapy clinic serving Bomet, Kericho, Narok, Kisii, Nyamira and Nakuru County residents, for cancer screening, treatment and palliative care.

LONGISA COUNTY REFERAL HOSPITAL



Ambulances

The county has purchased two new fully equipped ambulances to ease referrals of at least 300 patients across the country monthly. The county government

AMBULANCES



has set up an emergency response toll-free line (0800720562) to ensure effective response to emergencies, especially during the Covid-19 crisis.

INFRASTRUCTURE

445km

With the purchase of a new bulldozer, the county government has constructed and opened new roads covering a total of 445km, in the last one year. The county government has earmarked the construction of a total of 345km of roads in the current financial year.

ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE



Ksh45 million

The amount allocated to the ongoing construction of 40-metre Muriaisi bridge connecting Kimulot and Boito wards in Konoin sub-county.

Another four bridges and three foot-bridges are under construction across the county. In the last financial year, the county government constructed eight twin and one box culvert.



URBAN AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT

Ksh168 million

The amount disbursed under the Kenya Urban Support Programme, a World Bank-funded initiative, towards upgrading of B3-Chebirir-Bomet University road and Silibwet town access roads to bitumen standards. These are the first tarmac roads to be undertaken by the county government of Bomet.

URBAN AND HOUSING



WATER DEPARTMENT

17,000 connections

The department has extended pipeline works managed by Bomet Water Company (BOMWASCO) from 76 kms in 2018/2019 to 89.4 kms in 2019/2020 translating to an increase of 13,605 households to 17,516 registered connections

The water billing system has been automated.

The construction of the 20-kilometer Mogogosiek – Kapletundo -Kaplong water pipeline worth Sh 66 million is 70 per cent complete.

WATER



97,000 households

The number of households in Kimulot and Chepchas wards and parts of Boito to benefit from the second phase of the Ksh380 million Bomet County Integrated Development programme, a collaboration between the County Government of Bomet and the Kenya Red Cross Society.

The first phase supplied water to 80,000 households in Chepalungu sub-county under Sigor water project. Bomet County Government, in partnership with the National Irrigation Board (NIB), has excavated 120 household water pans. The Nogirwet water project has also been rehabilitated, while 35 water pans have been excavated and 75 springs protected.

97,000 HOUSEHOLDS



Environment

Through partnership with the World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), Kenya Forest Service and other partners, Bomet County Government seeks to increase forest cover to 17 percent by 2022, up from 15.2 percent in 2019. Over two million tree seedlings have been planted in schools, PI lands, Chepalungu and Mara Mara forest blocks.

ENVIRONMENT



YOUTHS AND SPORTS

Ksh17 million

The amount set towards the ongoing construction of Tegat high altitude athletics training camp in Bomet East. The facility comprises of an administration block, dining hall and dormitories for both genders. It

has a 100 bed capacity.

Noteworthy, Bomet is home for world renowned athletes like Timothy Cheruiyot, the 2019 world champion in the 1500m race, and Beatrice Chepkoech, also world champion in the 3000m women steeplechase.

Silibwet Stadium

Silibwet Stadium has been upgraded with the construction of a dais and an internal perimeter fence, plus ground levelling. The stadium, a homeground to National Super League teams Silibwet FC and Bomet APS FC, will offer relief to athletics and football teams in the county to train and practice.

SILIBWET STADIUM



250 interns

The number of the first cohort of interns to be enrolled on a paid internship programme to enable them acquire practical hands-on skills.

SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

3,000 PWDs

The number of People with Disabilities (PWDs) accessed for their various needs. They were given tools of trade and assistive devices, and also benefited from capacity building programmes to enable them fend for their daily lives. Fifty vulnerable households with persons living with disabilities across the county have been supplied with iron sheets and water tanks to reduce the distance covered by PWDs in search of clean water.

The county government has inaugurated the annual Paralympics and Deaflympics sports to embrace disability and expose their talents.

The County Government of Bomet has also partnered with the Kenya Film Commission to establish an ultra-modern film hub to offer opportunities to young creative talents to tell the story of Bomet, a cradle for Kipsigis culture, to the world.

The social services department has also acquired 12-acre piece of land for the construction Bomet Gender Based Violence victims rescue centre.

3000 PWDs





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EDUCATION

221

The number of Early Childhood Development (ECD) Centres constructed so far against a target of 500 ECDs by 2022. Forty-two (42) centres were constructed in the last one year. ECDE centres will be supplied with milk from Chebunyo Milk Processing plants under the school feeding programme once schools reopen.

1200

The number of Early Childhood Development Education teaching assistants employed by the county government on permanent and pensionable terms. Teaching assistants above the ages of 45 were awarded renewable contracts until they exit public service.

3,154

The number of college and university students who have so far benefited from Bomet County Education Revolving Fund, a partnership with the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB). The county government allocated Ksh30 million with additional Ksh30 million allocated this financial year.

BOMET COUNTY EDUCATION REVOLVING FUND



33 VTCs

The number of Vocational Training Centres (VTCs) in the county, with over 3,900 trainees, up from 2,000 in 2018, taking various courses that are tailor-made for the job market. The county has allocated Ksh47 million to develop and expand infrastructure in technical and vocational training institutions.

TRADE, TOURISM, ENERGY AND INVESTMENT

Boda Boda

The county government has constructed 80 boda-boda sheds across the county. Also, 39 shoe shiner sheds have been erected at the county and sub-county headquarters. The county government has also installed over 100 floodlights.

BODA BODA SHED



CO-OPERATIVES AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

50 Million

The newly created Cooperatives and Enterprise Development department is positioning itself as a ve-

hicle for rapid economic development in the county.

To strengthen the co-operative movement in Bomet, the department has put structures in place to implement the Bomet County Enterprise Development Fund to operationalize the disbursement of ksh 50 million revolving fund kitty.

To actualize this undertaking, the county has organized 800 cooperative societies under Bomet Cooperative Union.

FINANCE AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

Finance

Bomet County was ranked the third best in Kenya on proper management of public resources, by the World Bank under the KDSP in the financial year 2019/2020. Also, the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) ranked the county among the top 10 that comply with procurement laws. Bomet County has achieved qualified opinions for two years consecutively from the office of the Auditor General.

ADMINISTRATION, ICT AND PUBLIC SERVICE

HEADQUARTERS



Disaster Management Unit

Ten divers in the county have been trained on water rescue, river crossing and safety. The divers are renowned for saving lives and retrieving bodies in water, not only in Bomet, but also other counties, which include Narok, Kericho, Kisii, Homa Bay, Nakuru and Mombasa. The county government has acquired a fire engine.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT UNIT



Shelter Support Programme

The county government, through the Shelter Support Programme, has supplied food and non-food items to over 421 households affected by recent floods.

County Hospital Management Information System (HMIS)

Through the directorate of ICT, Longisa County Referral Hospital has installed County Health Management Information System (CHMIS) thus improved administrative management, service delivery, human resource management, patients record tracking, drug procurement and dispensation. The system will be rolled to subcounty hospitals this financial year. Bomet has also adopted the UK-based Elephant Health Care System to register all the 141 health facilities and over 100 Community Health Units for efficient collection and submission of data related to Covid-19.

County Covid-19 preparedness

310 isolation beds

Bomet County Government has established a 200-bed Covid-19 isolation centre at Koiwa sub-county hospital, with additional 110 isolation beds spread across other facilities in the county. The county has four designated quarantine centres, each with a capacity to hold more than 40 patients.

310 ISOLATION BEDS



Face masks

Some 204,000 face masks have been produced at Siwot Vocational Training centre and distributed to community members, boda boda operators and bus stage managers. The county government targets to produce a thousand masks to be distributed to residents.

CHVs

Some 950 community health volunteers have been trained on Covid-19 preparedness. The team will conduct community sensitisation on hand washing and disease prevention.

CHVs



Hand washing

More than 1,300 hand washing stations have been distributed to various groups, shopping centres, public institutions, bus stages and markets.

HAND WASHING



Donor support

The county government benefited from the Equity Group Foundation supply of personal protective equipment (PPEs). The foundation will supply Bomet with the PPEs for the next 18 months. They will be used by medical personnel involved in management of Covid-19 in the county.

DONOR SUPPORT



Travel logs

The county government has distributed 48,000 travel log documents to Bomet bus stage managers and boda boda chairmen to aid in contact tracing of reported Covid-19 positive cases. The booklets detail the name, travel route, destination departure and arrival time as well as vehicle registration number.

TRAVEL LOGS



Screening

The county government has screened over 300,000 passengers at main entry points to the county. These are Mulot, Daraja Sita, Masese and Chebilat.

COVID SCREENING



10,000 households

The number of vulnerable households, whose livelihood have been ravaged by Covid-19 in the county. Each of these household has been supplied with 90kg bags of maize.

10,000 HOUSEHOLDS



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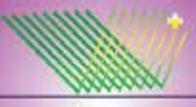
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