



# Partner Profile

## CIFORD Kenya



Community Initiatives for Rural Development (CIFORD) is a community-based organization working in Meru, North District of Eastern Province, Kenya. The organization was formed in July 2002 and registered with the Ministry of Sports, Gender and Social Services.

The organization was formed to tackle socio-economic problems facing the residents of Meru North District, specifically issues affecting women and children. The organization's main focus is in areas of community capacity building, sustainable agriculture, and community health with emphasis on the formation of new, safe, empowering coming-of-age rituals which place strong emphasis on girls staying in school rather than early marriage.

CIFORD additionally works with the local communities to support sustainable agriculture by teaching environmental conservation and water harvesting techniques.

They also promote women and girls' rights to prevent SGM (sexual genital mutilation). Their community health initiative lectures on hygiene, nutrition, sexual and reproductive rights.

**Partner Name:**

CIFORD Kenya

**Partner Website:**

[cifordkenya.org](http://cifordkenya.org)

**Partner Location:**

Meru, Kenya

**Partner Mission:**

CIFORD exists to empower women, youth and men to build and maintain a sustainable community so that every person has food security, health information, clean water and access to an education.

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