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# Newsletter

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## 1. GPF Kenya and Global Peace Women Strengthen Collaboration Ahead of International Women's Day 2026



On January 12, 2026, Global Peace Foundation Kenya and Global Peace Women held a consultative meeting to plan

the 2026 International Women's Day celebrations. Centered on the theme "Give to Gain," the partnership highlights how generosity and solidarity drive gender equality and female empowerment.

Key discussions for the proposed March 6 event included identifying high-impact invitees, securing strategic partners, and evaluating venues. Beyond logistics, the collaboration aims to create a platform that amplifies women's leadership and social impact. Both organizations committed to a follow-up session to finalize roles and ensure alignment.

By joining forces, GPF Kenya reaffirms its dedication to fostering peace and dignity through collective action. This unified approach ensures that the upcoming celebrations move beyond ceremony to inspire meaningful progress for women and girls across communities.

## 2. GPF Kenya Explores Strategic Collaboration with Sofy Global on Youth Empowerment and Social Impact



On January 14, 2026, Global Peace Foundation Kenya hosted Ms. Charity Maina of Sofy Global to explore strategic collaborations for community-centered

development. The discussion highlighted Sofy Global's focus on youth empowerment, climate action, and digital transformation as essential drivers for inclusive growth. Both teams emphasized the necessity of equipping young people with the skills and confidence required to build resilient communities.

A significant point of alignment was Sofy Global's support for single mothers, offering free counseling and therapy to enhance mental well-being and economic stability. This initiative resonates with GPF Kenya's mission to strengthen families and foster peace. By exploring partnership opportunities grounded in shared values, the meeting marked a vital step toward addressing social and environmental challenges through purposeful collaboration, reaffirming that sustainable progress is best achieved together.

### 3. GPF Kenya Champions Youth for Peace and Unity on KBC's Good Morning Kenya



On January 21, 2026, Global Peace Foundation Kenya's Africa Regional Representative, Mr. Daniel Juma Omondi, appeared on KBC's Good Morning Kenya. Joining a panel of national leaders, he advanced a vital conversation on Youth for Peace and Unity, emphasizing that young people are active partners in peace today rather than just leaders of tomorrow.

The live discussion spotlighted leadership and sports diplomacy as transformative tools for peacebuilding and social cohesion. By leveraging platforms like sports to bridge divides, the youth play a critical role in fostering a unified, inclusive Kenya. The dialogue underscored how driving dialogue and promoting shared values among the younger generation can effectively dismantle long-standing social barriers.

This engagement reaffirmed GPF Kenya's

unwavering commitment to empowering youth as essential agents of nation-building. It highlighted that sustainable peace is only achievable when youth leadership, collaboration, and collective responsibility are placed at the heart of national development efforts to ensure long-term stability.

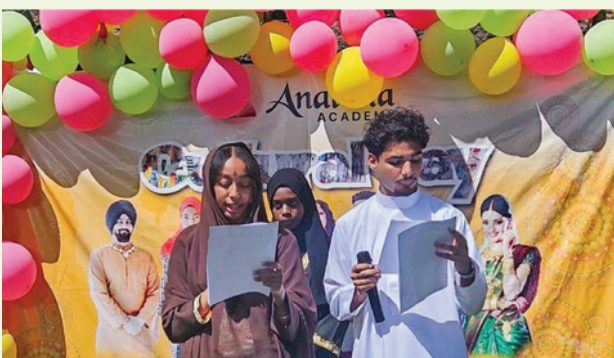
### 4. Global Peace Foundation Kenya and Chandaria Foundation Honor Climate Champion Truphena Muthoni



On January 19th 2026, Global Peace Foundation Kenya, in partnership with the Chandaria Foundation, recently hosted Ms. Truphena Muthoni, the world record holder for hugging a tree continuously for over 72 hours, in a powerful engagement celebrating youth leadership and commitment to climate action. Ms. Muthoni's remarkable achievement has emerged as a global symbol of environmental stewardship, resilience, and advocacy for nature-based solutions in addressing climate change. In recognition of her contribution, the Chandaria Foundation awarded her a 100,000-capacity tree nursery to be established at a school of her choice, nurturing environmental responsibility among young people. This support forms part of the Chandaria Tree Nursery Initiative, which aligns with Kenya's national goal of growing 15 billion trees by 2032 and has already established 18 nurseries across 15 counties. Beyond recognition, the engagement explored a strategic partnership positioning Ms. Muthoni as a Climate Champion under the President's Fellowship – Chandaria Legacy Award Initiative, aimed at amplifying youth-led and community-driven climate action. The engagement reaffirmed GPF Kenya's commitment to empowering young leaders, restoring ecosystems, and advancing sustainable environmental solutions through unity, collaboration, and shared responsibility.



## 5. Global Peace Foundation Highlights Education, Culture, and Youth Leadership at Anatolia International School



On January 23, 2026, Global Peace Foundation (GPF) participated in the Anatolia International School Cultural Event to commemorate the International Day of Education. Representing GPF as Guest of Honour, Africa Regional Director Mr. Daniel Juma Omondi joined Prof. Macharia Munene and Mr. Arden in celebrating a vibrant showcase of cultural diversity, music, and dance that reinforced the values of mutual respect and global citizenship.

In his keynote address, Mr. Omondi highlighted GPF's Transforming Education Initiative, advocating for systems that prioritize character, leadership, and life skills over mere examinations. He emphasized that equal access to education for women and girls is fundamental to inclusive development and sustainable peace. To prepare for the modern economy, students were encouraged to utilize digital platforms like WorkforceReadiness.ac to build essential workplace and leadership skills.

GPF commended Anatolia International School for its commitment to holistic education where culture and peacebuilding converge. The event reaffirmed that education rooted in shared values and inclusion is the primary key to shaping resilient, peaceful societies. By nurturing the "whole student," such initiatives ensure that the next generation is equipped to lead with both competence and conscience.

## 6. Building Peace Through Youth Leadership and Sports Diplomacy



From January 26 to 31, 2026, the Global Peace Foundation actively participated in the East Africa Sports Diplomacy and "Play for Peace" Youth Tournament at Zetech University, Mang'u Campus. This significant event brought together young people from across the African continent to harness the unique, unifying power of sport in advancing regional cooperation and sustainable peace.

The tournament served as a dynamic platform where

youth from diverse backgrounds engaged in competitive sports, leadership development, and meaningful cross-cultural dialogue. During a high-level panel titled "Peace Building: Youth as Ambassadors of Peace," GPF's Africa Regional Representative, Mr. Daniel Juma Omondi, emphasized that true peace extends beyond the mere absence of conflict; it must be rooted in inclusion, justice, and dignity.

He highlighted sports diplomacy as a vital tool for nurturing teamwork, mutual respect, and ethical leadership. Mr. Omondi encouraged participants to carry these values into their communities and digital spaces to counter division. The engagement reaffirmed GPF's belief that when empowered young people lead through shared values, they become the most effective ambassadors for a harmonious and inclusive future.

## 7. Progress at the 19th Chandaria Tree Nursery at Matuga Girls High School Ahead of Official Launch



Global Peace Foundation Kenya, in partnership with the Chandaria Foundation, is making steady progress toward the official launch of the 19th Chandaria Tree Nursery at Matuga Girls High School in Kwale County. This milestone marks a significant step in their shared commitment to environmental conservation, positioning the school as a vital hub for tree propagation, ecosystem restoration, and community engagement.

The initiative empowers students to take active roles in climate action by nurturing seedlings and promoting environmental stewardship. As a strategic partner, Matuga Girls High School provides a unique environment where young women can lead sustainability efforts while gaining practical skills in conservation, leadership, and long-term climate resilience. As preparations for the official launch

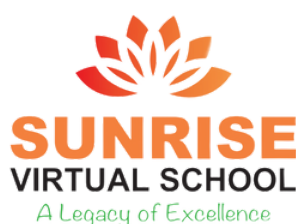
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Kenya acknowledges the essential collaboration of the Chandaria Foundation, school leadership, and the students. Their collective efforts strengthen the nationwide network of nurseries, reaffirming that safeguarding the planet is a shared journey rooted in partnership and youth leadership for future generations.

## Key partners



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