

# **2009-2023 SHALOM-SCCRR RESULTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**



Conflict Transformation පි Peacebuilding School/Educational Development

Peace Education Syllabus Implementation in Schools Community Development & Health Support Interventions

'Shalom-SCCRR Personnel on the Front line Implementing Humanitarian, Peacebuilding and Development Interventions'

**Fergal Keane, BBC African Editor,** writing recently about Shalom in the **Irish Independent** said: *"Kenya needs them in its slums and beleaguered western villages,... what they do here matters to all of Africa..."* 

**International Development Consultant, Mr. Mike Williams,** reviewing Shalom-SCCRR's methodology and organizational strategy stated:

"Shalom's contextually driven, rigorous but adaptable and forward-looking methodology represents a model approach towards peace-building in highly complex situations, such as those that pertain in Northern Kenya. The approach, with its emphasis on community leadership, stakeholder participation, high technical competency, logic models, results frameworks, stories of change and advocacy linkages also reflects current best practice within both the Peacebuilding and development sectors."

## **UN Recommendation:**

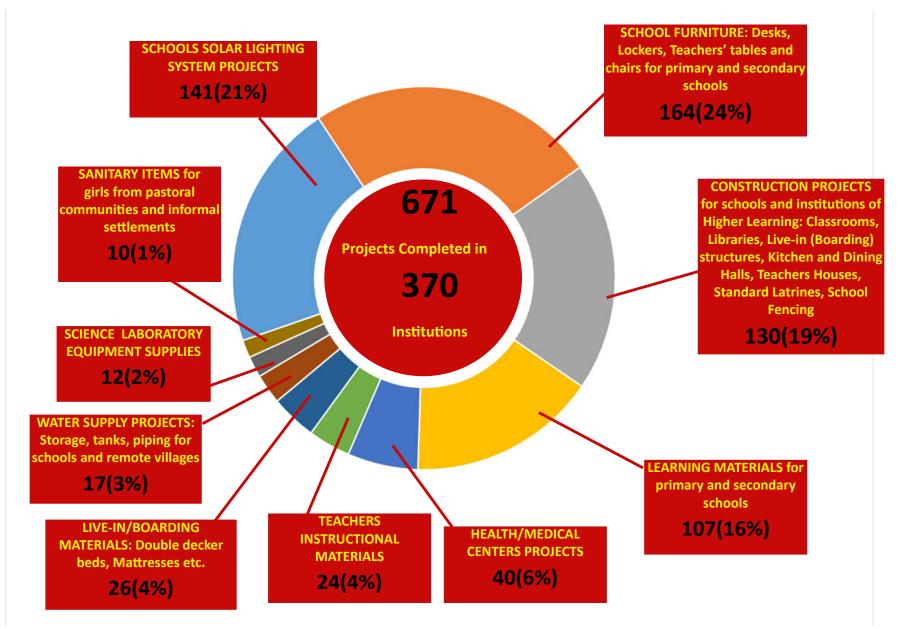
"Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation is well known to the United Nations Information Center (UNIC). The Shalom Center for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation works to end the cycle of violence in the tribal lands of Eastern Africa ... We therefore, have no hesitation in recommending them for the United Nations Department of Public Information (UNDPI) accreditation, with the confidence that they will be a great asset and add value to the United Nations work."

## IGAD's endorsement of Shalom-SCCRR's to the UN, 2018

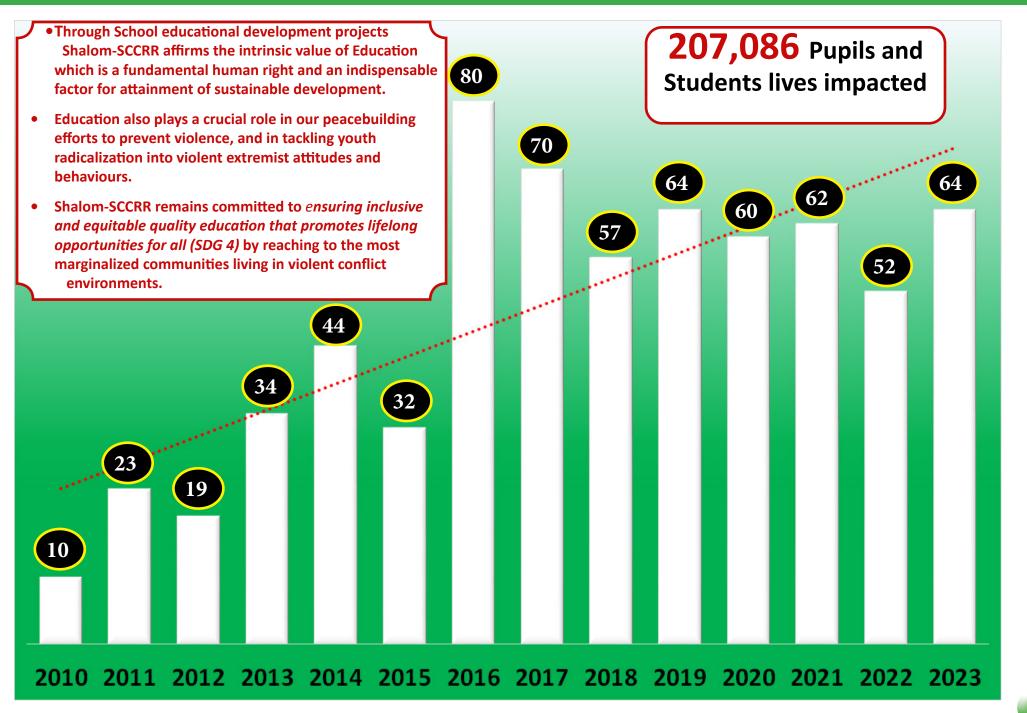
"Shalom distinguishes itself by its unique way of working, incorporating theory through research and practice through training on skills in conflict resolution and transformation. The organisation has a growing reputation for its peace-building work, professionalism, high research ability, and conflict sensitivity. Its well-structured training modules on analytical skills and knowledge of peace-building is a major contributor to our work.... Shalom is unquestionably an exceptional organisation to partner with. Shalom's experience in the region suggests that the UN and it would greatly benefit from this association."

#### 2009-2023 SHALOM-SCCRR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL/DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IMPLEMENTED

14 Years of Advocating, Interventions and Supporting QUALITY EDUCATION for poor Children in the Marginalized violent Conflict Environments in Kenya, South Sudan, Sudan, Ethiopia, Somalia and Tanzania



#### 2009-2023 SHALOM-SCCRR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL/DEVELOPMENT BY YEARS



Our Transformative Humanitarian-Peace-Development Interventions in Eastern Africa

#### CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION AND PEACEBUILDING OUTPUTS

**28,397** influential stakeholders and grassroots peace actors empowered with analytical skills and techniques for Conflict Transformation and Peacebuilding through **990** Training Workshops in **36** Conflict Environments in Kenya, and at the Kenya-Ethiopia-South Sudan-Uganda interface.

**60% Women** engagement in Shalom-SCCRR's Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding and Livelihood programs in **2023** (a **17%** increase compared to a cumulative average of **43%** from the last 13 years).

Shalom-SCCRR Empowerment Center (SEC) empowering residents from

**10** Urban Informal Settlements/Slums, as well as in marginalized conflict regions in the semi-arid terrains where Kenya interfaces with Ethiopia, South Sudan and Uganda.

**5** Community-focused Peace Centers Established/Supported in Kenya and South Sudan conflict areas.

**13 Years** of the Shalom-SCCRR University Elective Course on Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation at Tangaza University College, Nairobi, Kenya; empowering hundreds of Students of all faiths from Africa, Europe, Asia and Latin America with conflict transformation skills and peace building techniques.

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND HEALTH SUPPORT INTERVENTIONS

**36** Health/Medical centers supported with vital medical equipment in the marginalized and conflict areas of Northern Kenya and South Sudan.

**14** Community-based projects completed: Water piping, Solar-powered water systems, Community Education Centers etc., benefiting pastoralist communities in conflict and marginalized areas.

**4** interventions to prevent Human Trafficking in Eastern Africa supported.

## SCHOOL/EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS OUTPUTS

**671** School/Educational Development Projects completed: classrooms & accommodation, solar lighting, sanitary items for girls, books, desks, water etc.

**370** School/Educational institutions supported in conflict environments and marginalized areas in 31 Counties in Kenya, Regions in Sudan, South Sudan, Ethiopia and Tanzania.

**207,086** Pupils and Students (**100,178 [48.4%] Girls; 106,908 [51.6%] Boys**) beneficiaries of Shalom-SCCRR projects.

**3** Pastoralist/Shepherd schools supported—benefiting youth missing on formal education/schooling.

**1** University and **3** Vocational/Tertiary institutions provided with educational materials in Kenya and South Sudan.

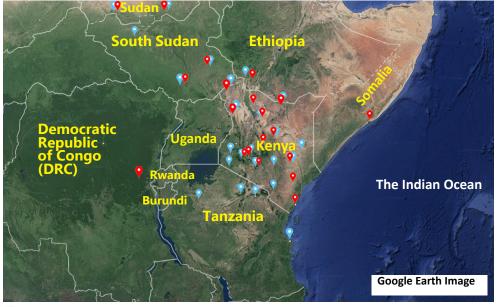
#### PEACE EDUCATION OUTPUTS

**54** Shalom School Peace Clubs formed and members (**18,113**: **9,335**, **(51.5%) girls; 8,778 (48%) boys**) empowered with analytical skills and techniques in peacebuilding.

**162,009** pupils and students engaged in Conflict Transformation in schools and at community level through **Shalom-SCCRR Peace Education Syllabus.** 

**103** Peace Club Patrons trained to facilitate Peace Education in schools and administrate Shalom-SCCRR supported School Peace Clubs.

WHERE: The remote Kenya-Uganda-South Sudan-Ethiopia-Somalia border interfaces, Sudan, DRC, Tanzania and remote urban settlements WHY: Inter-ethnic conflicts and Religious Ideological Extremism in **36** life-threatening under-developed locations



Violent Conflict Environments

School/Educational Development Projects

#### SCHOOL/EDUCATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURAL GAPS

• Low: access to formal education (large number of children out-of-school), retention and transition rates.

- Nomadic way of life by the pastoralists consequently affecting continuity and school attendance.
- Dilapidated physical school infrastructure.
- Difficult and dangerous terrains with long walking distances for children to cover.
- Shortage of adequate instructional and learning materials.
- Still existing educational disparities particularly impacting on children from the pastoral communities and informal urban settlements.
- Cultures that undermine education of the girl-child, and condone forced marriages.
- Low girls' enrollment and transition rates to higher education.
- Lack of clean drinking water and basic sanitation causing high number of water borne diseases among the school children.

#### **CONFLICT ENVIRONMENT/CONFLICT ISSUES**

- Arid and Semi-arid lands (see the brownish spaces on the map) hot and dry with a mean annual rainfall of 200mm.
- Competition over scarce grazing fields, water resources and pasture.
- Violent livestock raids for: restocking, commercial, prestige and bridewealth.
- Persistent killing, maiming, displacement and destruction of infrastructure/property.
- Violent religious ideological extremism in the urban slums.
- Inter-ethnic conflicts within and across Counties and Countries interfaces.
- Protracted insecurity and lawlessness catalysed by limited or no state presence.
- Infrastructure insecurity creating environment for crime, and violent inter-ethnic conflict.
- Steady rising levels of poverty manifested through shortage of basic human needs, core resources necessary for communities actualizing their potential.
- Local populations especially women and children suffering from extreme hunger (highest food insecurity), malnutrition and trauma.
- Protracted drought and famine causing grave food insecurity.
- Climate change, ecological degradation leading to overgrazing and competition over limited resources.

• Structural violence preventing communities from meeting their basic needs, benefiting from social, economic and political mainstream development, human rights, and fundamental freedoms.

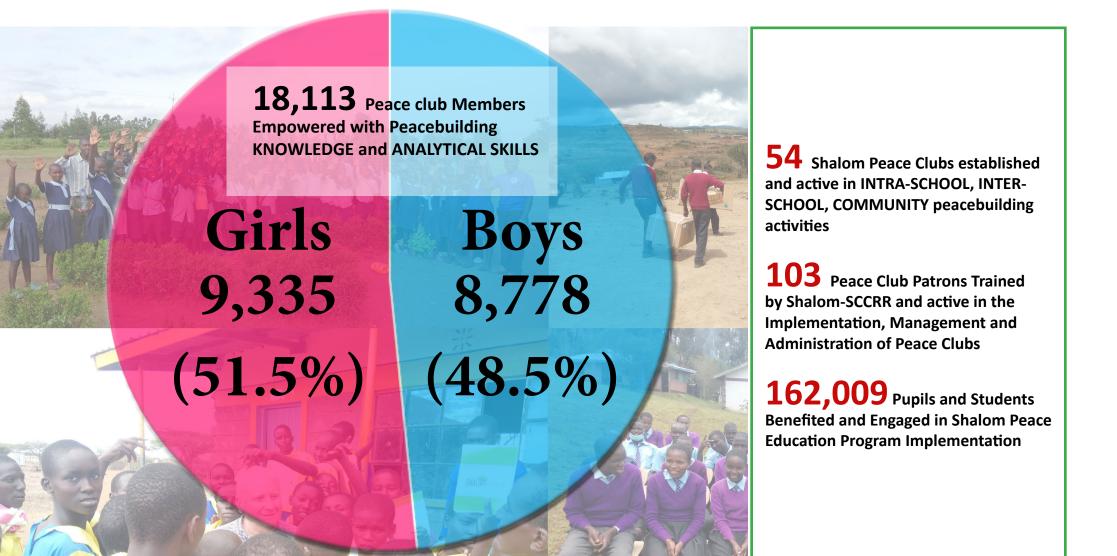
• Radicalization and violent Religious extremism in informal urban settlements (slums).

## HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURAL GAPS

- Few health facilities compared to the land mass and local population.
- Dilapidated or no physical infrastructure.
- Low accessibility of health services because of long distances to health facilities further compounded by poor road network and violent inter-ethnic/communal conflicts.
- High maternal mortality among the marginalized pastoral communities.

2009-2023 PEACE EDUCATION ACHIEVEMENTS/RESULTS

Shalom-SCCRR Peace Education Syllabus Implemented in 54 schools located in 36 Conflict Zones in Kenya, Kenya-Ethiopia-South Sudan Interface



## PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATIONS

United Nations (Shalom-SCCRR received Accreditation by the UN)



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR International Chairman, attending a meeting at the United Nations (UN). Shalom-SCCRR has a **formal accreditation with UN Department of Global Communications.** With this accreditation Shalom-SCCRR networks with other UN departments, plus the 1,500 established UN-associated NGOs and academic institutions all aiming to create a better and more peaceful world.



Mr. Don Mullan, former Irish SMA Communication officer deliberating on Shalom-SCCRR's intervention to the development of the 'Great Green Wall Project' aiming to prohibit the spread of desertification across the Sahara Desert in Africa.



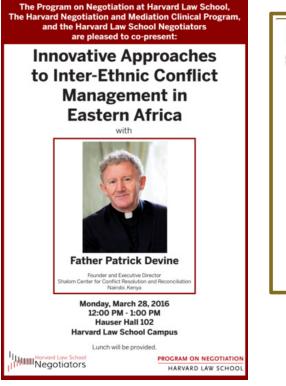
Shalom-SCCRR signed a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with the **Intergovernmental Agency for Development [IGAD]**, Eastern Africa (comprised of 8 countries). In photo is H. E. Ambassador Mahboub Maalim, the former Executive Secretary of IGAD and Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, our International Chairman.



Shalom-SCCRR's Mr. John Kennedy Akoko MA, facilitating a training workshop for Security personnel (police) at Marti in Samburu County, northern Kenya. Shalom-SCCRR is implementing various conflict transformation, peacebuilding and school/educational development projects in this volatile area.

#### Inter-governmental Authority on Development (IGAD)

#### Shalom-SCCRR personnel have been invited to deliver numerous presentations and lectures on its pioneering methodology





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Peace, Security and Sustainable Development in Eastern Africa Delivered by Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine

Shalom Centre for Conflict Resolution and Reconciliation (SCCRR) Kenva Thurs 23rd November, 2017 at 6.30pm Renehan Hall, South Campus, Maynooth University. RSVP by 17th Nov 2017 to kennedyinstitute@mu.ie 01 70866293



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"Empowering Conflict Resolution and Peacebuilding at the Grassroots"

A conversation with Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine Shalom-SCCRR International Chairman & Founder R Paula Soumava Domit **HKS MPP Candidate & Shalom-SCCRR International Consultant** Tuesday, October 17, 2023



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine in the Irish Embassy, Washington DC with Ambassador Anne Anderson and Terry Sears from Tuesday's Children, where he delivered a Lecture on the 'Causes of Radicalization and Extremism in Eastern Africa,' attended by International Diplomats, security personnel and Peace and Development practitioners.

#### **Some Other Lectures**

University of San Diego (2019), "Conflict Methodologies and Processes."

DePaul University, Chicago (2018) "On the Ground in Eastern Africa: Creating Peace Amid Conflict and Religious Ideological Extremism."

United Nations Conference Center Addis Ababa. Ethiopia (2018) for AMECEA on "Religious Ideological Extremism and, the Environment and Conflict."

Queens University, Belfast, N. Ireland (2017) in Senator George Mitchell Institute for Global Security, "Inter-Ethnic Conflict Transformation Methods: Applications in Eastern Africa"

Sultans Palace Museum, Zanzibar, (2017), on "Conflict Analysis and Peace-Building; Embracing the Cultural Heritage of Eastern Africa"

## SHALOM-SCCRR's: CONFLICT TRANSFORMATION & PEACEBUILDING INTERVENTIONS



Prof. Omoka Wanakayi and Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, conducting a research focus Group on **Turkana-Dassenach Conflict: Causes and Consequences** at the Ilemi Triangle located at the Kenya-Ethiopia-South Sudan Interface.



Mr. Austin Ngacha MA, Shalom-SCCRR Project Officer, at Lokeke Village in West Pokot County, Kenya, conducting community educational forum on the four dimensions of conflict transformation.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine facilitating a workshop in Mombasa on Preventing and Transforming Religious Ideological Extremism, and Terrorism in Eastern Africa. He also presented the Shalom's Methodology for Achieving Tolerance, Inclusivity, and Positive Peace.



We implement Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding and Development projects in the informal settlements (Slums) in Mathare (seen in this image), **Kibera, Kariobangi and Kawangware located in Nairobi,** Kenya. In the photo is Mrs. Judy Akedi MA, engaging women in the Slums.

## SHALOM-SCCRR'S EMPOWERMENT CENTER ADDRESSING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND CHILDREN



Ms. Esther Kibe MA, Shalom-SCCRR Project Officer on the ground with women from marginalized communities in Northern Kenya



Our team, Ms. Esther Kibe MA, Mrs. Judy Akedi MA, and Ms. Ilhan Ali (MA candidate) engaging women in Mathare Informal Settlements (Slums) in Nairobi, Kenya, to discuss and identify the appropriate interventions for empowering women in their locations. Women and children in the informal settlements experience many forms of violence that heavily impact on them and thus hindering them from actualizing their potential.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, International Chairman, with Turkana women in Lodwar, Northern Kenya, envisioning a way forward for conflict transformation and how women can be empowered and actively involved.



Shalom-SCCRR's Ms. Ilhan Ali Salah BA (MA Candidate), guiding women from Riruta urban informal settlement in an interactive group discussion on the existing frameworks for conflict prevention in their areas.

# SHALOM-SCCRR SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS ACHIEVEMENTS



Shalom-SCCRR's Executive Director, Fr. Oliver Noonan MA (PhD. Candidate)and Mr. Ciaran King, witnessing an ongoing contrustuction of classrooms funded by Shalom-SCCRR in Turkana County, Kenya.



Our Logistics Team delivering **School Educational/Development Materials** at Amaiya Primary (having to cross rivers and terrains to reach the school in Samburu County Kenya.



Rev. Dr. Patrick Devine, Shalom-SCCRR International Chairman, during the delivery desks and other educational materials to Enkusero Primary School in Kajiado County, Kenya.



The Good Shepherd Peace Centre, **South Sudan supported by Shalom-SCCRR** with fully accessorized Solar Lighting System - enough to power the whole institution.

## SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS OF SHALOM-SCCRR INTERVENTIONS

• Communities resolving violent conflict through peaceful means in Shalom-SCCRR engaged areas.

• Operational and effective locally developed and sustained Conflict Early Warning and Response Mechanisms established in volatile areas to support conflict prevention and mitigation, thus effectively preventing deadly inter-ethnic violent incidents, with a success rate of at least 73%.

• 60% Women engaged and benefiting from Shalom-SCCRR's Conflict Transformation, Peacebuilding and Livelihood programs (an average of 4% yearly increase over the past 14 years).

- More women participation as negotiators in peace processes among traditional ethnic communities in contexts where peace processes have been a preserve of the male-folk.
- Shalom-SCCRR empowered Community/grassroots Peace Resource Persons effectively and competently handling local conflicts with a success rate of about **58%**.
- Sustained peace and security in areas where Shalom-SCCRR is intervening, thus creating a supportive environment for growing of local economies, stable and safe human settlements, and development of health centers, and other social infrastructures.
- 90% success of uninterrupted learning in schools where Shalom-SCCRR is implementing conflict transformation and peacebuilding projects.
- Improved levels of trust, cooperation and collaboration between rival ethnic communities leading to joint development in areas such as: education, and livelihood activities.
- Prevented youth radicalization and religious ideological extremism in the urban slums through broad stakeholder engagement and capacity building trainings to local communities' key influential opinion shapers, religious leaders, local government administrators and civil society actors.

# Conclusion

We are proud of our achievements and the impact we have had over our first 14 years of operation in Eastern Africa. This publication is our humble means of celebrating these years of service of marginalised communities in conflict zones. We thank our **funders** who have made all this possible, along with our **strategic partners** and collaborators across continents. We appreciate the efforts and dedication of **our team members** - current and past - and the support and encouragement of many **organizations** and **individuals** in **Eastern Africa**, **the USA**, **Ireland**, **Northern Ireland / UK**, **and elsewhere**. The contributions of Shalom-SCCRR **Boards of Governance and their Advisory Boards** worldwide have been exceptional in ensuring the realization of our vision and mission. Please continue sharing your wisdom and overview, your experience, your prayers, and your funding, into the future to enable us to develop and to achieve even greater impact.

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