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**PHILANTROPY:** The Riley Mother and Baby Centre at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital in Eldoret.

# Shoe charity to build special kids hospital in Eldoret

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A charity, Shoe4Africa Foundation, will fund a Sh2 billion special children's hospital in Eldoret.

The construction of the unique hospital will be commissioned next week at the Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital.

John Kibosia, MTRH's CEO, said the new facility will be the only one of its kind in the East African region.

"It will be another milestone for the hospital and the health sector in the country," said Kibosia.

The foundation's officials, led by Toby Tanser, are in Eldoret for the launch of the construction work on January 1.

Shoe4Africa is a non-profit organisation that do-

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nates shoes to athletes.

It wants to build the largest public children's hospital in Africa.

The referral hospital for the first time hosted a Christmas party for its 3,000 staff at the Eldoret Sports Club.

"This was to appreciate the work done by the hospital staff. They have been dedicated to duty this year more than ever before," Kibosia told the Star in Eldoret town.

At the same time, the hospital will implement a paperless operations system

that will computerise and automate most of its services.

Kibosia said they are still working on upgrading the hospital's communication technology before moving to the paperless operations.

"The paperless system will be environmental friendly and will cut down on the use of paper in our operations by more than 60 per cent," said Kibosia.

The hospital is an ISO Certified institution where services are assessed constantly to comply with set targets.