

● Construction for Shoe4Africa Children Hospital gets underway

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Toby Tanser unveils a plaque at the construction site for the Shoe4Africa Children Hospital

The construction of the 74-bed Shoe4Africa-sponsored Children Hospital is underway at the Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital.

Speaking shortly after the laying of the foundation stone at the construction site on August 21st 2013, the Director of Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital, Dr. John Kibosia said the Hospital will keep expanding the scope of services to be able to serve as a referral facility.

“The Hospital currently has a bed capacity of 81 beds yet the average bed occupancy rate is 128%. Once operational; the facility will help to alleviate the suffering of the pediatric patients in Western Kenya, parts of Eastern Uganda and Southern Sudan,” he said.

He expressed gratitude to Toby Tanser-the CEO Shoe4Africa Foundation-for fundraising for the project among his friends and well-wishers around the globe but nonetheless called on Hospital staff and other stakeholders both in Government and the Private Sector to continue channeling their donations to support the cause.

“Your contribution in any way should be invaluable. I am pledging 10 beds to the facility upon completion,” said Dr. Kibosia.

The building, which is expected to be complete by the end of 2014, will have research and administration wings besides catering for medical and surgical needs of the children.

Present at the function were; Deputy Director Clinical Services (DDCS), Dr. Wilson Aruasa, Deputy Director Administration & Finance (DDA&F), Agunda Ochanda, Assistant Deputy Director Clinical Services (ADDCS), Dr. Francis Ogaro, Heads of Departments (HODs), County Officials among other dignitaries.