

Social Protection in Kenya: Milestones, challenges & opportunities



Social protection generally refers to strategies that are meant to cushion the poor & vulnerable from the hard socio-economic 'risks' & 'shocks'.

- Constitution of Kenya: Article 43(1) provides that 'every person has a right to Social security and the State providing for individuals who cannot take care of themselves their dependants. Further, guarantees all Kenyans their economic, social and cultural rights, including the right to health, education, food and decent livelihoods'.
- Vision 2030: Embraces Social Protection as a strategy to poverty reduction by envisioning investments targeting vulnerable groups and aspires the establishment of a consolidated Social Protection Fund.
- National Social Protection Policy 2011 :The goal is "to ensure all Kenyans live in dignity and are able to exploit their human capabilities for n their own social & economic development" (NSPP,2011)



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SP Programs in Kenya

Pillar 1:

Social Assistance Programs

- Orphaned and Vulnerable Children
- Persons with Severe Disability
- Older Persons
- Hunger Safety net
- School Feeding Program (Regular, Expanded & Homegrown)
- Presidential Secondary School Bursary Scheme
- NAAIAP & NMK
- General Relief Food Distribution
- Asset creation Programs (CFA)

Pillar 2: Social Security

- NSSF
- PSPS (Public Service Pension Scheme)
- Occupational Schemes
- County Pension Fund (CPF)
- Individual/Private Schemes
- LAP Trust

Pillar 3: health Insurance

- NHIF
- Private Health Insurance Schemes





Scope of Programs



Cash Transfer Program	No. of Beneficiaries	Allocation 2016/17 (Billions)	Cumulative 4 years (Billions)
Orphans and Vulnerable Children	365,232	8.53	33.7
Older Persons	323,861	7.56	22.2
Persons with Severe Disability	41,685	1.24	3.9
Hunger Safety Net Program	89,292	2.14	6.2
Universal Elderly Pension 70 years above	530,000	6.50	-
TOTAL	1,350,070	25.00	66.00



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Service Delivery



* The MIS

- The Kenya Single Registry
- Scalable systems

Payment Architecture:

- Electronic payment system vide 4 National Banks
- Provide two authentications: Biometric and PIN
- Choice of service provider
- Bank account with access via mobile platform

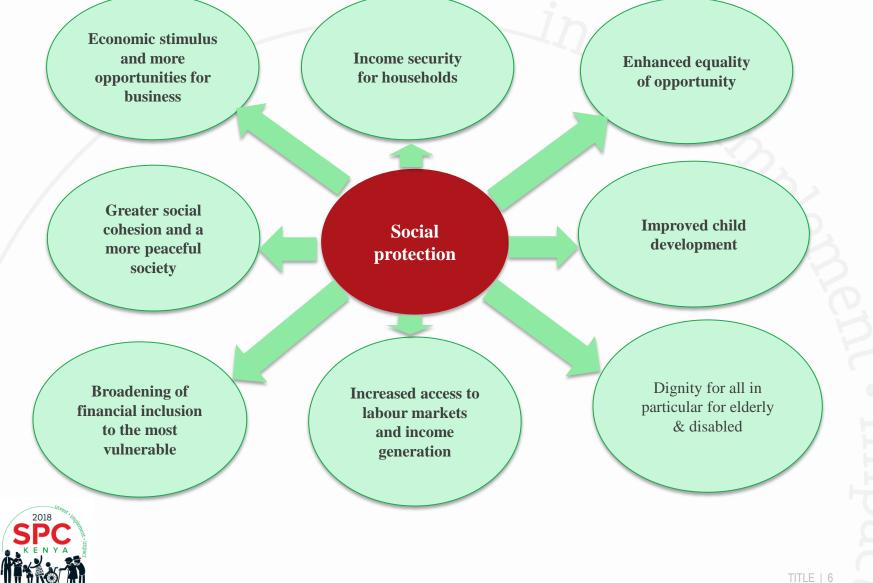
* Communication, Grievance & Case Management System:

- Beneficiary Welfare Committees and Constituency Social Assistance Committees, Toll-free lines
- Beneficiary outreach Strategy & feedback mechanism



Impact of SP Programs





Going forward



- Advance on complementarity & graduation of cash transfer programs
- Moving from Targeted to Universal rights-based inclusive programming
- Roadmap towards sustainable investments for a consolidated Social Protection Fund
- Extend Social Security coverage to the informal economy
- Enhance the requisite legislative & policy provisions
- Strengthening coordination & collaboration more specifically with the county governments



