

The Sustainable Development Goals

On 25 September 2015, the Member States of the United Nations agreed on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the Post-2015 Development Agenda. The SDGs build on the Millennium Development Goals, the global agenda that was pursued from 2000 to 2015, and will guide global action on sustainable development until 2030.

All of the SDGs have targets that are directly or indirectly related to the daily work of County governments. County governments are catalysts of change and are best-placed to link the global goals with local communities. Further, the county governments are the basic local governance units that can support localization, mainstreaming and implementation of sustainable development goals.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a universal call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) includes a set of 17 goals and 169 targets.

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals for the period 2015-2030 are:

- 1) End poverty in all its forms everywhere
- 2) End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture
- 3) Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages
- 4) Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote life-long learning opportunities for all
- 5) Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
- 6) Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
- 7) Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all
- 8) Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all
- 9) Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- 10) Reduce inequality within and among countries
- 11) Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
- 12) Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
- 13) Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts (in line with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change)
- 14) Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

- 15) Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss
- 16) Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
- 17) Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

The Council of Governors is coordinating a county platform in implementation of SDGs in collaboration with the county directors of planning and economic affairs. CoG has an SDG unit to backstop counties in SDGs implementation and tracking of progress. The County Governments have mainstreamed 2nd generation County Integrated Development Plans (CIDPs). At the secretariat level the, all the 18 committees have mainstreamed SDGs in their work plans to support counties in implementation and monitoring of progress.

Kenya has prioritized a set of 128 SDGs indicators from the global 231. The indicators have been aligned to the 18 Committees at CoG to support monitoring of implementation progress.

