

# Kenya: Bumula Farm, Little Sisters of St. Francis

## LOAN DETAILS

LOAN AMOUNT \$40,000

INITIAL INVESTMENT 03/2016

## INVESTMENT OVERVIEW

**ENTERPRISES**    **Crops** - Horticulture, maize, groundnuts  
**Livestock** - Poultry, dairy cattle  
**Aquaculture**

## USE OF LOAN

- Purchase of chicks
- Construction of a chicken house
- Purchase of a solar irrigation pump
- Fencing for the farm
- Installation of a greenhouse

## INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS

- Use of **greenhouse technology for year-round production**, control of pests and proper utilization of water
- Installation of a **solar water pumping system**
- **Integrated farming:** Integration of crop and livestock enterprises - livestock manure used to fertilize crops and feed fish, maize byproducts used to feed cattle

## BUMULA FARM

Location:  
Bungoma, Kenya

Size: 7 acres



Project Leader -  
Sister Leah Njorge



Sr. Leah in the greenhouse  
growing tomatoes



Sister Leah in a maize field of Bumula farm

## IMPACT



### SHARED PROSPERITY

- Farm provides stable employment for **35 young adults**
- Sisters run a **school** for the local children and provide **agricultural training** for members of the community



### RESILIENCE / LAUDATO SI'

- Use of **integrated farming** and **organic manure**
- **Greenhouse technology** for horticulture
- Terraces for **soil conservation**
- Harvesting **rooftop rainwater** for year-round vegetable production
- **Solar-powered water pump**



### FOOD SECURITY

- The farm provides a **source of protein and vegetables** for the community
- The farm provides **clean water** to over **1,200 community members**
- Provision of food to orphanage supporting **70 orphans** and **100 disabled children**



### STRENGTHENED CHURCH ENTITIES

- The farm supports **3 Sisters** serving as **teachers** in the local public schools
- The Sisters run a **women's counseling program** reaching **600+ women** and a **disaster response program** for victims of flooding, which is common



### MISSIO INVEST ADVISORY & SUPPORT

- Farm visits from agriculture experts to assist with **problem solving** and **farm strategy**