

MANIFESTO

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MY MESSAGE TO YOU

According to the 2019 Population and Housing Census, the total population of Uasin Gishu County stood at 1,163,186, with a population growth rate of 3.8%.

The population density is 343 persons per sq. Km.

This Manifesto presents my transformative agenda aimed at creating a productive, agro-industrialized, innovative, prosperous, and a healthy community with better road network that adds value to the residents. Indeed, the Kenya bureau of statistics gives an insight into some of the enormous challenges that we face:





UASIN GISHU COUNTY STATS

- ♦ Uasin Gishu county poverty index currently stands at 12.1%, which is above the National average of 16%
- ♦ Only 38% of the county's population has secondary school qualifications and above
- The young population of ages 0 to 14 years stands at 43%
- ♦ Only 16.6% of the population are enrolled with the NHIF scheme





UASIN GISHU COUNTY STATS

- ♦ The doctor to patient ratio is 8.5 per 10,000 population
- ♦ 26% of the county's population use untreated water
- ♦ 46.5% of the county's population use firewood for cooking and only 63.8% have access to electricity
- ♦ 33.9% of the populace are living in mud houses
- ♦ Out of a total road network of 5,859 km only 310 km is built to bitumen standard





MY PROMISE

I acknowledge that Uasin Gishu county is a sleeping giant whose full potential is untapped and under-utilized. I'm aware that to reap the benefits, it calls for a participative leadership where the centre of interest are the people living in Uasin Gishu

I intend to collaborate with other partners from within and across the globe towards economic development targeting the following key pillars:

- ☑ Agriculture
- ☑ Health
- ☑ ICT & E-Goverment
- ☑ Trade, Cooperatives &Industrialization
- ☑ Education, Youth, Sports, Culture and Tourism.









- ☑ Infrastructure Development
- ☑ Water, Environment and Natural Resources
- ☑ Lands, Housing and Physical Planning
- ☑ Public Service Management
- ☑ Municipality and Urban Development

I *promise* the great people of Uasin Gishu county to make our county a coveted county where the old can access quality of life, the women can live with dignity and the youth are adequately engaged in productive initiatives. I am a firm believer of *Servant Leadership*, *Religious Values*, *Team Work*, *Accountability*, *Fairness*, *open communication and Integrity*.







AGRICULTURE & FOOD SECURITY











1. AGRICULTURE & FOOD SECURITY

Agriculture being the backbone of our county, I will revitalize it through the following targeted and clustered approaches for profitability, empowerment and employment creation.

I. Value Addition

- a) Maize and Wheat
- Operationalize milling plants to package maize and wheat
- b) Potatoes
- Build cold rooms for storage
- Partner with relevant agencies such as KIRDI for processing and market access
- Establish potato value addition unit in Ainabkoi sub-county
- Build capacity for potato breeding and seed production
- c) Dairy
- Establish state of the art AI center to source, improve local breeds and enhance production
- Establish Uasin Gishu milk processing plant
- Through Cooperatives provide ATM Milk dispensing machines for milk outlets





d) Beef, Poultry and pig farming

- Establish an accredited state of art abattoir
- Package meat products to international standards to target local and international market
- Introduction of feed lots at every sub county

e) Horticultural & High Value Crops

 Intensify sensitization on high value crop diversification such Avocado, coffee, Macadamia, fruits and vegetables

• Optimize crop production for export and establish market links

f) Fish farming & Bee keeping

- Build capacity for farmers to venture into fish farming
- Enhance breeding centers for fingerlings in every sub county
- Establish a honey processing and packing plant





- ii. Strengthening farmers' cooperative movement
- iii. Revamp existing cooperative societies
- iv. Enhance the Cooperative Enterprise Fund
- v. Promote and encourage agricultural aggregation as a strategy to achieve economies of scale through cooperative societies
- vi. Capacity building on value addition for cooperatives
- vii. Land use policy
 - Formulation of a comprehensive land use policy to provide proper legal, administrative and institutional framework for maximum utilization and productivity of land resources at county and community level e.g. Land consolidation







viii. Agricultural extension services

- Agronomy services for field crop production and soil management
- Specialized Veterinary Extension services for maximized animal production and husbandry
- Capacity building on best agricultural practices in line with the dynamic world of technology
- Establish irrigation systems to reduce dependence on rain-fed agriculture
- Intensifying existing viable economic agricultural programs
- Manage farm machinery at sub County level to ensure all the farmers benefit
- Promote, encourage and sensitize farmers on contract farming







HEALTH













2. HEALTH

A healthy nation is a wealthy nation. Productivity in all economic aspects is not possible if the population is unhealthy. Many families fall through the cracks into poverty every year that a family member is sick because of high cost of health care in Kenya.

To address the health sector challenges, I pledge to strengthen the health sector and assure all residents of Uasin Gishu county of timely, dignified, quality and affordable health care at all times. This will be achieved by focusing on the drivers of Universal Health Coverage namely; coverage, financial protection and access to quality services.





In order to achieve this, I will specifically do the following:

- a) Address human resources for health through initiatives that motivate health care workers such as hiring and proper placement of specialists so that residents of Uasin Gishu county can be served with professional diligence
- b) Build required infrastructure to upgrade and modernize health facilities by creating sub-county centres of excellence
- c) Upgrade and modernize Uasin Gishu county hospital to a county referral hospital to include palliative care, cancer diagnosis, management and dialysis units





- d) Ensure health products and technologies availability in all health facilities at all times by settling supplier bills in a timely manner
- e) Improve quality of care, efficiency and accountability by digitizing health facilities with end-to-end digital solution by working with the national government. In addition, work with research institutions to catalyze evidence informed decisions
- f) Provide NHIF cover to the elderly (70+) and PLWDs.





- g) Ensure that emergency response unit and ambulanc<mark>e services are</mark> available and reliable
- h) Foster partnerships with institutions and development partners towards improving provision and access to health-care services





ICT AND E-GOVERNMENT







3. ICTAND-EGOVERNMENT

A nation where every citizen, enterprise and organization has digital access and the capability to participate and thrive in the digital space is a catalyzed to productivity and enhanced quality of life. The benefit of E-government is to reduce corruption and increase government transparency, accountability, efficiency and citizen participation.

I will deliver on the following:

• Build an ICT Hub to enable the youth to incubate their brilliant ideas and give room for growth





- Attach an ICT Hub/Cyber in all Sub County and Ward Offices for the residents to use within their locality
- Install CCTV Cameras within the CBD to eliminate theft and burglary
- Automate all revenue streams to eliminate losses and pilferages
- Build an online skill hub/bank portal
- Establish a County Huduma center with an integrated toll free call center





4. TRADE, INDUSTRIALIZATION, COOPERATIVES AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

Trade and cooperatives are critical to our prosperity. They fuel economic growth, support job creation, raise living standards and help provide affordable goods and services.

In recognition of this fact, I commit as follows:

TRADE

- i. Create a friendly business environment for traders through provision of security in business centers
- ii.Use the sub-county development model to drive local economic development, including townships and villages, based on comparative and strategic advantages





iii. Ensure Small and Medium Enterprises join SACCOS.

iv. Develop a flexible license payment plan for youth and vulnerable groups Start-Ups

v. Place traders' stalls on strategic and appropriate streets in consultation with representatives of membership-based organizations of informal traders.

vi. Develop fresh produce markets and promote the sale of foodstuffs in townships and community owned stores









vii. Establish Uasin Gishu County Economic Forum which will create a platform for all business stakeholders to share ideas on the best business models that will accelerate trade and entrepreneurship for economic transformation of the County

viii. Establish a marketing database website for locally produced g<mark>oods</mark> and services

ix. Market Uasin Gishu as an Economic Hub both locally and internationally through lobbying of investment partnerships







CO-OPERATIVES AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

- Enhance cooperative revolving fund to enable most of the trader's access to affordable business funds
- ii. Build a robust cooperative movement through capacity building and resource mobilization
- iii. Optimize Uasin Gishu County Cooperative Enterprise Development Fund Act 2019 to streamline the fund management.







- iv. Encourage small and medium enterprises to borrow money from Saccos and cooperatives to expand their trade.
- v. Provide continuous Monitoring and Evaluation of existing Saccos to address existing gaps and challenges.







INDUSTRIALIZATION

- i. Establishment of village based Open Markets and Agro processing centers to promote cottage industries in wards and small centers
- ii. Collaborate with local and international investors to revamp vibrant industries within Uasin Gishu such as Ken Knit, Rupa Textile etc.
- iii. Promote the development of industrial estates at strategic locations in the County





iv. Promote the Jua-Kali sector by marketing their products both locally and Internationally

v. Promote linkages for funding for small industries.





EDUCATION, YOUTH, SPORTS, CULTURE & TOURISM













5. EDUCATION, YOUTH, SPORTS, CULTURE, SOCIAL SERVICES & TOURISM

Education is an extremely important ingredient in human development. It shows us the importance of hard work and, at the same time, helps us grow and develop. It shapes the way we perceive life and shape a better society to live in by knowing and respecting rights, laws, and regulations.

As a believer in education, I believe that youth, sport, culture and tourism are powerful agents to create social change, generate legacy benefits for communities and positively influence economic freedom.

I will deliver as follows:







EDUCATION

- Enhance bursary program by increasing allocation of funds to each ward
- ii. Provide sufficient learning materials, expand access to ECDE education, complete ECDE center sand Improve terms of service for the ECDE teachers
- iii. Expand Libraries/E-learning resource centers across the county to improve reading culture and literacy through partnership with the local communities, the KNLS and other partners to improve access to learning







- vi. Establish centers of excellence in all the sub-counties (VTCs & TVETs) to enhance skill training and improve competitiveness of our youth in the job market
- v. Initiate an annual Expo for TVETs to encourage enrollment
- vi. Establish a diaspora liaison office and source for exchange programs for graduates internationally and locally to enable them enhance their acquired skills







YOUTH

- i. Establish a County Youth Service
- ii. Ensure adherence to the 30% procurement rule where Cou<mark>nty tenders will be awarded to Youth & Women through AGPO</mark>
- iii. Create a functional revolving fund for youth in business modeled along the National Uwezo Fund to ensure accessible, affordable and responsive financing for empowerment







- iv. Establish fully equipped youth centers with free Wifi and relevant digital facilities in all Sub Counties where youth will be accessing government information and opportunities
- v. Create a County Skills Data Base to facilitate placement of qualifi<mark>ed</mark> youth to available job vacancies
- vi. Establish a County Incubation Center for Research and Innovation







SPORTS

- i. Establish an annual Governor's Tournament
- ii. Lobby the National Government to complete Kipchoge Keino Stadium
- iii. Complete the 64 Stadium to International Standards and incorporate a hall of fame to preserve the athletic history
- iv. Complete and operationalize the high altitude Training Complexes under construction



v. Build an international sports talent academy for talent development and export





TOURISM

- i. Integrate tourism circuit to cover sports, agriculture, medical tourism and bird watching
- ii. Rehabilitation, conservation and dredging of all dams as tourist attraction sites with beautiful nature sceneries, ideal for birds, hippo watching, boating, and sport fishing
- iii. Market Uasin Gishu as a Tourist Attraction Destination







CULTURE

- i. Liaise with National Museums of Kenya to gazette and protect historical artifacts
- ii. Promote, Protect and Preserve Cultural Heritage, Customs and Values through establishment of a cultural museum in Uasin Gishu County
- iii. Organize Annual Cultural Festivals to promote peace and unity in diversity









SOCIAL SERVICES

- i. Establish a functional County rehabilitation center for drug and substance abuse management
- ii. Establish a functional resource center for PLWD in every Sub County
- iii. Establish a well-equipped school for children Living with Disability
- iv. Create a PLWD Fund to encourage entrepreneurship and reduce dependency







INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS







6. INFRASTRUCTURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

The growth of our economy is dependent on reliable infrastructure to connect supply chains and efficiently move goods and services from one point to another. In line with this, I will do as follows:

- i. Ensure that priority projects as requested by the communities are prioritized and implemented fully
- ii. Revamp the road inspection unit through legislation to ensure all county roads are done to the required quality and standards
- iii. Prioritize the awarding of tenders/contracts to local contractors with special focus to the youth, women and persons with disability centers and estates in the county to spur a 24-hour economy







- iv. Ensure timely payments to all contractors upon evaluation and approval by the inspection
- v. Provide street lights in shopping centers and estates in the county to spur a 24-hour economy
- vi. Upgrade and maintain all roads networks within the County to allweather standards
- vii. All road maintenance to be devolved to ward and Sub County level
- viii. Explore the use of renewable energy to avoid over-reliance on grid energy

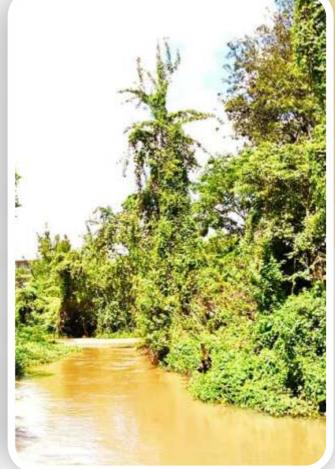






WATER, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES









7. WATER, ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

The living standards of the residents of Uasin Gishu county can be improved through ensuring affordable water and sanitation services, clean, safe and healthy environment for all, sustainable management and conservation of natural resources.

I will do the following;

- i. Ensure all ECDE Schools and health centers have access to clean and safe water
- ii. Ensure that 60% of the homesteads in Uasin Gishu will have access to piped water by the year 2024
- iii. Establish a solid waste management recycling plant at dumping sites





- iv. Link the Uasin Gishu Rural Water and Sanitation company to ELDOWAS for distribution and management of water provision.
- v. Encourage and roll out a Uasin Gishu tree planting exercise on yearly basis
- vi. Build capacity to ensure residents and schools adopt the use of green/renewable energy sources for lighting and cooking so as to reduce the use of firewood
- vii. Rehabilitate all water catchment sites and spring protection.
- viii. Enhance beautification of the town and recreation parks







8. LANDS, HOUSING AND PHYSICAL PLANNING

Land being a factor of production, sustainable management is key to providing excellent benefits to the residents of Uasin Gishu. Smart urban city development is the future of our towns with affordable quality housing for the residents.

To achieve this I will;

- i. Improve and fast track the processing and issuance of title deeds through digitization of the registry office in collaboration with the national government.
- ii.Partner with World Bank and other financiers in urban development and management
- iii.Protect and develop green spaces in urban areas and secure all environmentally fragile areas







iv. Address solid and liquid waste management in all urban areas

v. Enhance development control to achieve spatially organized towns



9. PUBLIC SERVICE MANAGEMENT

The public service should be responsive to the needs of the residents of Uasin Gishu through centres of excellence by providing quality and accessible services. In order to be competitive, I will support, coordinate and facilitate performance management as a measure of effective service delivery for efficient utilization of public resources through:

- i. Promotion of Staff on merit as per the schemes of service
- ii. Professional handling of staff by relevant departments
- iii. Ensure continuous training and human resource development

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- iv. Ensure transparency and accountability in all county operations to increase staff performance and public confidence
 - v. Instill discipline and professionalism to ensure zero tolerance to all forms of malpractices in county operations and service delivery

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10. MUNICIPALITY AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

The Eldoret municipality was chartered in gazette notice of 6thDecember 2019 as envisaged in the Urban areas and Cities Act, 2011. According to Kenya Vision 2030 the growth rate of urban centres stands at 4% and the urban population will be 30% of the total population by the year 2030. Urbanization is therefore inevitable, the main challenge being how to cope with rapid urban growth and how to prepare for the future. I will do as follows;

MUNICIPALITY

- i.Transfer fully all the functions and finances highlighted in the Municipal charter gazette in 2019
- ii.Facilitate the municipality to be an autonomous body that answers to the Office of the Governor and County assembly as envisaged in the Urban areas and Cities Act, 2011.5 H U 2 0 2 2





- iii. Transfer all the staff and equipments that perform the functions highlighted in the Municipal Charter to the Eldoret municipality board
- iv. Support to the Municipal Board for them to discharge their function without interference

URBAN DEVELOPMENT

- i. Prepare a master plan for all urban areas that will guide development in the County using the County Spatial plan
- ii. Enhance development of social amenities, land use and zoning plans
- iii. Improve infrastructural development
- iv. Collaborate with development partners to improve the living standards of people in informal settlements.





My bid to you,

The constitution of Kenya clearly spells out that all sovereign power belongs to the people of Kenya, which they may exercise through their elected representatives. I offer myself for the position of *The governor of Uasin Gishu county* in the upcoming party primaries and subsequent election this year, August 2022.

"I seek for your support and vote"

My people; I have espoused what I will facilitate in my administration as highlighted and prioritized for implementation in this document. The contents of this document is my covenant to you. As the 2nd governor of Uasin Gishu county I commit to deliver on my pledge to you.

"Together we can build a prosperous Uasin Gishu County"

"Maloo sabon"





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