

Bringing Clean Water to Maai Mahiu, Kenya

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The community of Maai Mahiu faces severe water scarcity and poor groundwater quality due to geothermal activity (Maai Mahiu means “hot water”). This Rotary Global Grant supports building a sustainable pipeline system to deliver clean water from nearby highlands (6 miles away).

Young girls often walk miles each day to fetch water, sacrificing their education and safety. This project will change that. By providing a reliable, nearby source of clean water, girls are freed from the daily burden of water collection, giving them the chance to stay in school, pursue their dreams, and build brighter futures for themselves and their communities. Clean water is not just a resource—it’s the key to education and empowerment.

The water line, treatment, and distribution system will provide clean, safe water to around 12,000 residents in 3 villages near Maai Mahiu Town, improving health, reducing food insecurity, and fostering economic growth. Video: <https://tinyurl.com/mmwater2025> (or QRCode on reverse).

We are seeking clubs to assist with this project through donation of DDF, club funds, and individual gifts to The Rotary Foundation. Find out more and pledge your support for G-3675 using the QR Code.

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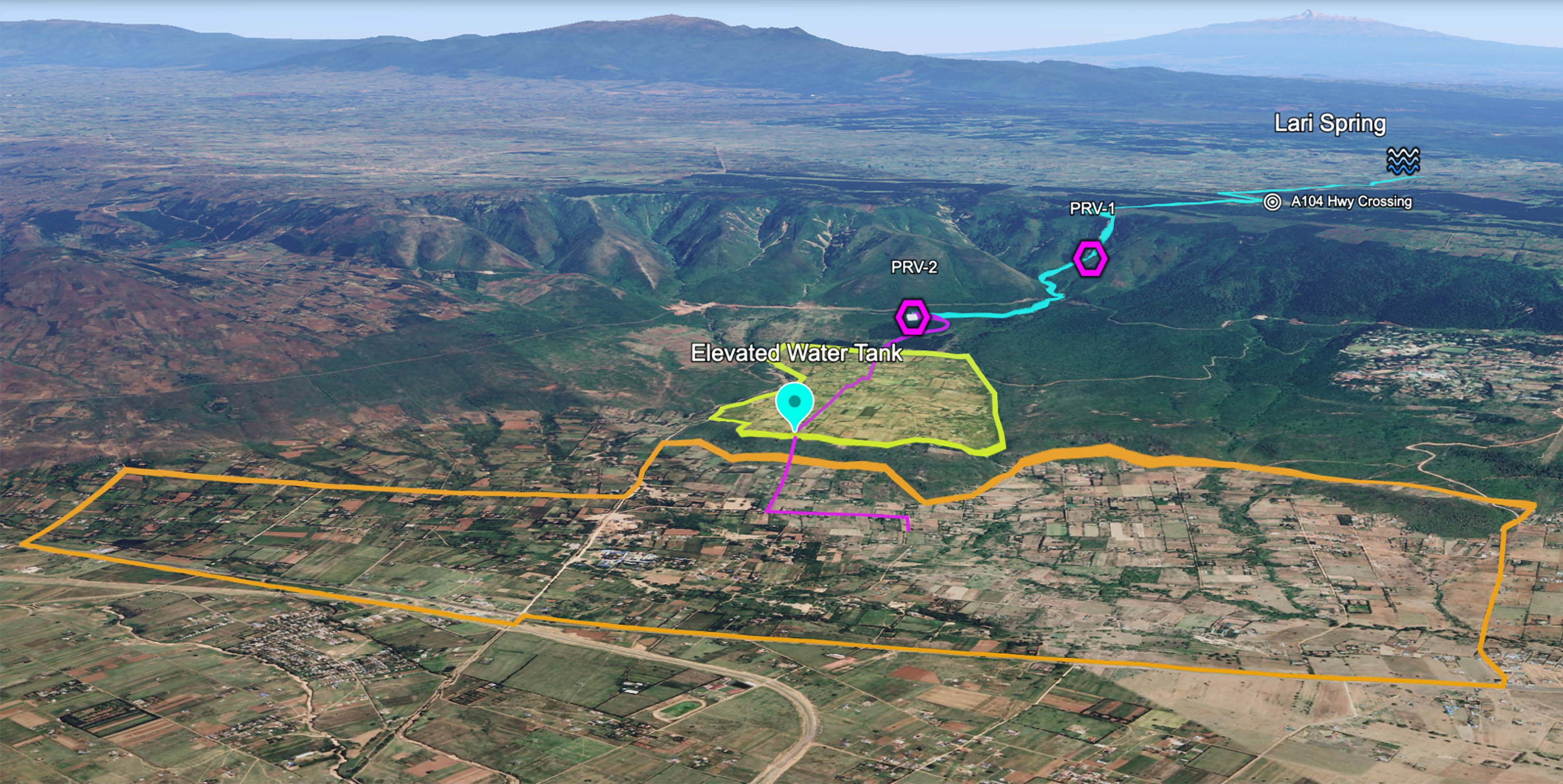
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A new underground pipeline—approximately 6 to 8 miles long—will transport clean water from a highland source located above Maai Mahiu to the surrounding region. This vital infrastructure will provide reliable water access to three villages: Muniu, Ruiru, and Kamucira. The newly formed MURUKA Community Based Organization (CBO) is leading a Community Needs Assessment to identify the optimal location for water intake and storage tanks. In a strong show of local commitment, the CBO will also contribute partial funding for the project through community-collected resources.

Looking ahead, the project aims to support improved sanitation by encouraging households to transition from pit latrines to flush toilets, once a stable distribution network is in place.

SERVICE TRIP - OCTOBER 2025:

A team from Cross Timbers Rotary plans to travel to Kenya this fall to work on service projects in the area. We plan to visit the pipeline project site while there. A few slots are left for the service trip to Kenya October 20-26, 2025. Contact Will Carlton for details.



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