

Executive Summary

Dear Residents and Stakeholders of the Harambee Community,

With deep pride, we, the members of the Harambee Quality of Life Plan Steering Committee, are delighted to present to you the Harambee Quality of Life Plan (QLP), a roadmap for enhancing our community over the next five years. This plan is the culmination of collaborative efforts involving over 250 individuals representing the diverse voices of Harambee: community members, stakeholders, and organizations. It is a testament to our collective vision and commitment to shaping a brighter future for our neighborhood.

The Harambee Quality of Life Plan: A Collective Path Forward encapsulates the rich history and vibrant culture of our community, underscoring our resilience while outlining comprehensive strategies to achieve our shared goals. While celebrating our achievements, it also acknowledges the areas where further work is needed.

Harambee embodies the spirit of unity and collective action, and this plan truly reflects that ethos. It belongs to every member of our community, past, present, and future. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the 250+ individuals



who contributed their time, insights, and passion to the development of this plan, ensuring that the voices of all residents were heard and valued.

The unveiling of the Harambee Quality of Life Plan marks not only a milestone but also the beginning of the implementation phase. Whether you have been involved since the planning stages or are just joining us now, we welcome you to engage with the action areas that resonate with you.

As we embark on the implementation phase, let us embrace the true spirit of Harambee and work together towards the realization of our shared vision for Harambee. Together, we can achieve greatness for our community.

Warm regards,
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Introduction



Harambee is a Swahili term that means “all pull together” or “let’s pull together.” It originated in East Africa and is often used to signify collective action, community cooperation, and unity towards a common goal or purpose. In the context of community development or social initiatives, Harambee embodies the idea of people coming together to work collaboratively for the betterment of their community or society as a whole.

Quality of Life Plan

A Quality of Life Plan is a comprehensive strategic document designed to improve the overall well-being and vitality of a community or neighborhood. It typically involves collaboration among various stakeholders, including residents, local government officials, community organizations, businesses, and other key players. The primary goal of a Quality of Life Plan is to identify key issues and priorities within the community and develop targeted strategies and initiatives to address them.

This Quality of Life Plan reflects the vision and priorities of Harambee residents, including housing, economic

development, community safety, recreation, and resident empowerment. The plan includes specific goals, objectives, and action steps for each area, as well as strategies for implementation, monitoring, and evaluation.

Overall, the Harambee Quality of Life Plan serves as a roadmap for community development and improvement, guiding efforts to enhance the overall quality of life for residents and create a more vibrant, equitable, and sustainable community.