

BUSIA County

Kenya Urban Support Program



County Urban Institutional Development Strategy

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Overview of Levels of Urbanization

An understanding of demographic characteristics is important in the development planning process. Population features are key determinants of labour force, the degree of resource exploitation and allocation as well as utilization of amenities and urban infrastructure. It's important to take into account the transit population passing through our two key towns of Busia and Malaba which are both border entry points to great lakes region of Uganda, Burundi, Congo, Rwanda and South Sudan.

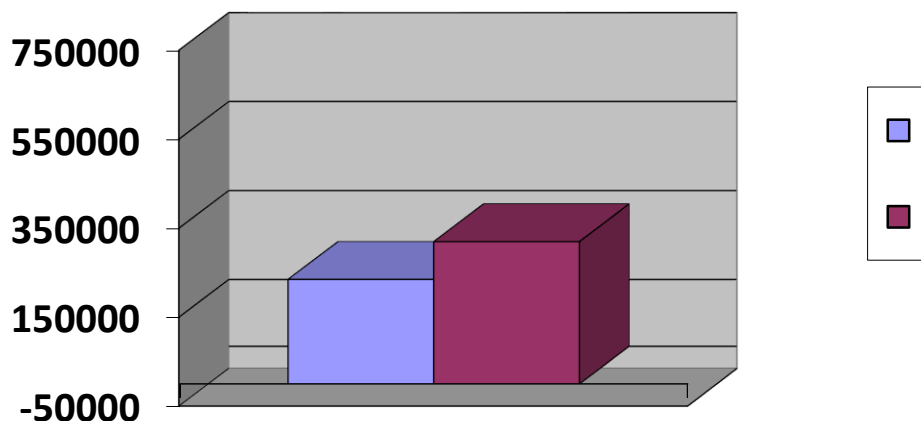
Urban Centres	2009 (Census)			2012(Projections)			2015(Projections)			2017(Projections)		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
BUSIA Town	29,927	31,788	61,715	32,728	34,763	67,491	35,790	38,016	73,807	37,990	40,352	78,342
Port Victoria	10,438	11,263	21,201	11,415	12,317	23,732	12,483	13,470	25,953	13,250	14,297	27,548
Bumala	1,611	1,983	3,504	1,762	2,070	3,832	1,927	2,224	4,191	2,045	2,403	4,448
Malaba	30,963	32,361	63,324	33,861	35,389	69,250	37,029	38,701	75,731	39,305	41,080	80,385
Nambale	16,860	17,875	34,735	18,438	19,548	37,986	20,163	21,377	41,540	21,377	22,691	44,093
Amukura	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	89,799	95,180	184,979	98,203	104,087	202,290	107,393	113,828	221,221	113,993	117,274	234,816

Source: Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (2009 census)

The table above shows population projections by urban centres in the county. It is expected that total urban population will be 234,816 persons by 2017. Busia town which also happens to be the county head quarter is expected to register a population of 78,342 from the census figure of 61,715 of 2009. It should be noted that Busia town mapped area left out mayenje ward in its 2009 census which if considered Busia town 2009 census would have been at 71,755 as compared to 61,715. Bumala will have the least population among the urban areas will a total population of 4,448 persons. Busia and Malaba towns both have over a population of 70,000

Population in Urban Areas

Urban Population	234,816
Total Population	743,946



Main Urban Areas in the County

- BUSIA
- MALABA
- NAMBALE
- BUMALA
- PORT VICTORIA
- ADUNGOSI
- BUTULA
- AMUKURA
- LUKOLIS
- FUNYULA
- ANGURAI

Note that from Adungosi to Angurai we were unable to obtain the census figures from Kenya national bureau of statistics, however, we intend to liaise with the bureau to map out the said urban centres for the census exercise as designated urban areas.

Principal Economic Activities in the Urban Areas

- CEREALS ACROSS THE BORDER
- FISH TRADE
- HOSPITALITY
- Wholesale/Retail shops
- Garages
- Matatu/Transport
- Bodaboda
- FRUITS SELLING ACROSS THE BORDER
- PRE URBAN FARMING

Role of Urban areas in the county economy

- Act as shopping areas
- Transport nodes.
- CROSS BORDER Centres.
- Residential areas.

Urban Services provided

- Limited Recreational Parks.
- Sporting facilities- Playing grounds
- Limited car parks and bus parks

Nature of Rural-Urban linkages

- The nature of rural-urban linkages is to assist developing urban centres administration to improve their policies, planning, and programs to develop the rural-urban linkage towards the goal of county and national growth and development.

- Another is to stimulate urban administration and county governments and other international agencies and organizations to rethink their national rural and urban strategies not as two separate arenas or sectors but as a single entity. To do so would lead quite naturally to formulating one coherent strategy. That strategy would recombine "rural~ and "urban" in such a way as to give shape to a fresh conception of county and national economic growth and development.
- For both Busia and Malaba towns they happen to be a link to greater lakes region as they are border towns linking Kenya to Uganda.
- Port Victoria is on the shores of Lake Victoria which links to port Mwanza in Tanzania and port Bell in Uganda.

Urban Development Challenges

- Inadequate Transport System in all towns.
- Poor drainage systems in Busia, Nambale, Malaba, Bumala, etc.
- Lack of proper waste disposal sites in Busia urban centres leaving only two damp site for Whole County which still are in deplorable state.
- The towns depend on old tractors for waste transportation which keep breaking down
- Lack of urban policy and spatial/integrated urban plans to guide urban growth.
- Lack of sewerage systems
- Lack of storm water drainage system
- Lack of amenities like slaughter houses, stadiums, cemetery, library and land for expansion within the peri urban and agricultural rural set up.
- Lack of bitumen roads and built up market areas to serve the huge cross border traders creating huge population of hawkers and substandard stalls to meet the huge demand.

State of Housing

Busia and Malaba towns are areas where there are some old houses with several government quarters which house civil servants although inadequate. The houses are old and there is need to demolish and put up modern storey buildings with sewerage connection. However,

individual settlements are poorly planned and informal settlements are emerging and difficult to distinguish residential and commercial areas. There is need to have town master plan and to zone the Towns accordingly in Busia County.

Laws on Urban Management

- Urban Areas & Cities Act
- County Governments Act
- Environmental Management and Coordination Act
- Building Code
- Public Health Act

Institutions for Urban Management, legal and regulatory reforms

The county envisions its institutional arrangement for county urban areas through legal and regulatory reforms by developing a spatial plan and integrated urban development plan. Spatial planning is an activity centered on making decisions relating to the location and distribution of land use activities. One of the main objectives of Spatial Planning is to ensure that the utilization of land resources is planned and implemented in an organized manner to meet the needs of present and future generation.

The approach of Spatial Planning requires an integrative and comprehensive planning approach in order to rationalize the appropriate land use activities.

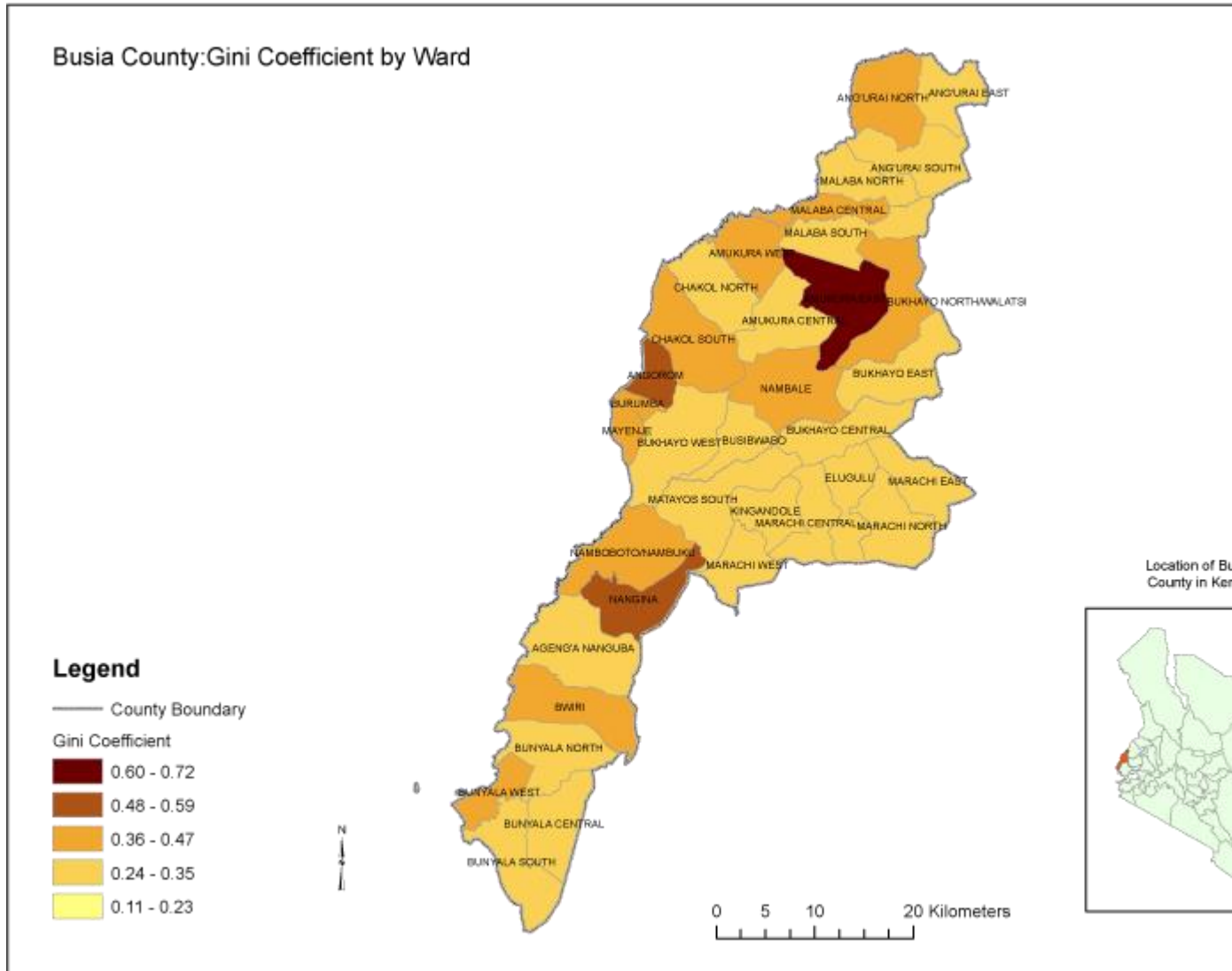
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The environment is decaying at a rapid pace hence the need to establish a county and national planning framework to accommodate new development and growth of existing development nodes.

Spatial plans promote and foster sustainable development along the principles of the five S's i.e. Synergy, Sustainability, Sensible, Strategic and Supportive and it ensure sustainable utilization of national land resources.

The spatial plan provides policies and development proposals to guide and influence development of the county for a period of 5 years. A participatory approach was used in preparing the spatial plan taking into consideration inspirations of stakeholders and the ground realities (potential and challenges). Further, this approach took cognizance of economic, social and environmental aspects of urban development.

The numerous Towns in the county have grown without a proper spatial framework to guide development. This has resulted in a situation characterized by: incompatible land uses, urban decay, environmental degradation, inadequate services and infrastructure, inaccessible properties, lack of a proper urban form and structure as well as urban sprawl.



Development of spatial plan as a regulatory reform will help in planning, arrangement and distribution of county resource equitably to reach all the county administrative units.

Going forward the county intends to conduct capacity building forums for the town committees and town administration units to equip them with skills and technical expertise in town management and planning cum institutional development.

ATTACHMENT 1
URBAN AREA MATRIX: CURRENT SITUATION
 [MAP SHOWING URBAN AREAS TO BE ATTACHED]

Name(s) of urban area	Geographical and demographic data			Institutional status		Urban management						
	Location	Estimated Population	County capital (Y/N)	Pre-2010 administrative status	Current administrative status and/or current urban management arrangements	Board or Committee (Y/N)	Town or city manager or administrator (Y/N)	Office (Y/N)	Staffing of municipality or town administration	Budget and finance	Urban planning	Infrastructure and service delivery responsibilities
Busia	Coordinates (0.434651, 34.24216)	61,715 (2009 census) Projections 2017-78,342	Yes its county headquarter and gateway to the county as well as border town to greater east and central Africa	Municipal council of busia	Town status Town Administration	Town Management committee in place	Yes Town administrator in place	Yes Town administration have an office	2 professional technical staff	Yes The budget is part of the departmental budget (Lands) FY 2016-17 Town Admin had Ksh5m 2017/8 16.5m	IDEP available Pending public participation and approval	- Street lighting - Garbage collection - Drainage system - bus parks Maintenance of public places recreational parks - Opening access roads Stalls management

Malaba	Coordinates (0.636206, 34.278276)	63,324 (2009 census) Projections 2017-80,385	Border trade town and a get way town to Uganda	Town council of Malaba/Teso under county council	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Yes Budget part of lands Fy 2016/7- 5m 2017/18 – 16,3m	Plan to be developed	Street light Gabbage collection Drainage system Kiosk management
Nambale	Coordinates (0.449253, 34.251885)	34,735 (2009 census) Projections 2017-44,093	Subcounty headquarters of Nambale	The centre was under county council	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan to be developed	N/A
Bumala	Coordinates (0.304158, 34.206028)	3,504 (2009 census) project ions 2017-4,448	Trade town on Kisumu busia highway	The centre was under county council	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan to be developed	N/A

Port Victoria	Coordinates (0.096085, 33.978137)	21,201 (2009 census) Projections 2017-27,548	Town at lake Victoria shores	The town was under county council	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan to be developed	N/A
Amukura	Coordinates (0.559259, 34.269532)	N/A	Sub County headquarters (Teso south)	The town was under county council	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Plan to be developed with budget availability	N/A

ATTACHMENT 2

URBAN AREA INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT MATRIX - Proposals for 3 -5 year horizon

Name(s) of urban area	General		Specific							
	Current institutional arrangements	Planned institutional arrangements?	Board or Committee Y/N Timelines	Town or city manager or administrator Y/N Timelines	Office Y/N Timelines	Staffing of municipality or town administration Numbers Timelines	Budget and finance Budget status? Timelines	Urban planning Timelines	Infrastructure and service delivery responsibilities Timelines	Demarcation of urban area? Y/N
Busia	Town	Urban area to be granted municipal status and charter	Committee established	Town Administrator or appointed	Town Administration office existing	1 No. managerial staff appointed	Urban area has separate budget vote under the departmental budget	Urban area has an approved plan	Urban area assigned specific infrastructure and service delivery in solid waste disposal	Urban area has been demarcated
Malaba	Town	To be classified as municipal and granted charter	Committee established	Town Administrator or appointed	Town Administration office established	1 no. managerial staff appointed	Urban area has separate budget vote under the departmental budget	Urban area will have an approved plan	Urban area assigned specific infrastructure and service delivery in solid waste disposal	Urban area has been demarcated
Nambale	Urban centre	To be classified as town	Committee to be established	Town Administrator or to be appointed	Town Administration office to	staffs to be appointed	Urban area will have a separate budget	Urban area will have an	Urban area to be assigned specific	Urban area has been demarcated

					be established		vote under the departmental budget	approved plan	infrastructure and service delivery functions	
Bumala	Urban centre	To be classified as town	Committee to be established	Town Administrator to be appointed	Town Administration office to be established	staffs to be appointed	Urban area will have a separate budget vote under the departmental budget	Urban area will have an approved plan	Urban area to be assigned specific infrastructure and service delivery functions	Urban area has been demarcated
Port Victoria	Urban centre	To be classified as a town and a committee appointed		Town admin to be appointed	Town administration office to be established	Staffs to be appointed	Urban area to be assigned a budget under departmental budget	Urban area will have an approved plan	Urban area to be assigned specific infrastructure and service delivery	Urban area has been demarcated

ATTACHMENT 3

COUNTY URBAN AREA INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT – ANNUAL ACTION PLAN & BUDGET

County: _____ FY: _____

CUIDP Section	Activity	Timeframe												Implementation modality	Cost elements	Proposed budget (KES)	
		J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J				
Section 3: Developing institutions for urban management	Examples: - Hold consultations with residents in urban areas - Draw up municipal charter for urban area 1 - Select and appoint municipal board members for urban area 1 - Select and appoint municipal manager for urban area 1 - Orientation for municipal board and municipal manager - Select and appoint town committee - Select and appoint town administrator - Establish municipal/town office - Prepare investment project pipeline for urban areas - Undertake urban spatial plan -														Examples: - External consultants to be hired - In-house county government staff to be used - UDD staff and support needed	Examples: - Consultancy fees - Meeting costs - Per diems for travel - Local travel costs - Office equipment (for municipal office) - Training materials	
Total annual budget																	

Resources	County contribution	
	Other budget contributions (including UIG)	
	Total resources	

