Giving back to local communities has been a commitment of D&S since its founding in 1946 so as part of its recent 70th Anniversary celebrations, D&S took the opportunity to partner with key suppliers on Community Activities initiatives across the region. Projects were carried out with Karen Technical School for the Deaf, Longido Community in Namanga, Kibera Kids Centre, St Mary’s Kinyambu in Kibwezi where borehole pumps and accessories worth $20,000 were supplied and installed.

Representatives from all the partnering institutions then attended the anniversary celebrations and expressed gratitude to D&S for the donations that will go a long way towards improving the lives of the stakeholders.
Ngaremara Rescue Centre is located in Isiolo County, just a short distance from Archers Post. The Centre is sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Isiolo and houses 60 children rescued from troubled homes as well as young boys from Isiolo & Archers’ Post towns. They provide food, shelter and education to the children.

The Center relies on water from a solar powered borehole pump located within their farm. They needed assistance after their solar support structure was blown and destroyed by strong winds. D&S Meru intervened and donated a 4m high solar support structure worth $1,000 to replace the old one.

Longindo Community – Namanga

The Longindo Community is located in Namanga and has a population of 2,500, some of them from nomadic families with an estimated livestock population of 25,000. The community relied on a borehole pump that broke down and so Well Aware, a non-profit organization that funds and implements life-saving water systems to drive economic development and build self-sufficient communities, approached Davis & Shirtliff for support in rehabilitating the borehole.

D&S HO took the opportunity to donate and install solar pumping equipment worth $10,000 which greatly improved the lives of the residents who now no longer need to walk long distances in search of water.
Joytown Special School - Thika

Joytown Special School Thika caters for children with physical disabilities and has around 300 primary school children and a further 200 secondary school students under its care. The School has a borehole that was previously equipped by D&S but which had fallen into disrepair. D&S Thika donated and installed Dayliff pumping and water treatment equipment in order to supply the children with clean and safe drinking water.

Ufanisi School - Dandora

Ufanisi School is located in Dandora and is run by a community based organization that offers affordable education to disadvantaged boys and girls from the nearby slums who would otherwise not be able to afford an education. D&S Nairobi Branches took the initiative of donating and installing a solar system to light the school’s classrooms and provide power for computers and phone charging.

Rotary Sunshine Rally - Nairobi

Davis & Shirtliff recently donated clean drinking water to the Sunshine Rally through the Rotary club of Industrial area – Nairobi. The Sunshine rally is an annual event held by Rotary club of Nairobi and brings together over 3,000 disabled children from different schools and homes across the country for a day of fun, games and entertainment.

George Mbugua (D&S Finance Director) and Jos Musima (D&S Marketing Manager) receive certificate of participation for Sunshine Rally from Saum Siraj (Rotary Representative).
The Integrated Polytechnic Regional Centre, also known as ‘Uyisenga Ni Imanz’i is an institution which supports orphans from the 1994 Rwanda genocide. It helps the orphans in polytechnic studies of carpentry, construction, welding and electrical wiring through a six month course. The Center has 45 students currently undergoing training.

D&S Rwanda visited the Center and made a donation of Dayliff Water Treatment equipment worth $600.

Wakisa Ministries is a crisis pregnancy Center that embraces and offers assistance to young women with unwanted pregnancies and those who have undergone the trauma of rape. D&S Uganda paid a visit to the Centre and donated Dayliff Water Treatment equipment and foodstuff as part of their annual Founder’s Day Celebrations.

Pictured above and below is D&S Uganda Team handing over foodstuff and enjoying the day with the mothers and children led by MD Ephraim Wainaina.
Sure Prospects School – Uganda

Sure Prospects School is a boarding school for 150 disadvantaged children in Kampala. D&S Uganda, as part of their Founders Day celebrations, donated and installed a solar lighting system to power 90 lighting points throughout the school with the aim of facilitating night time studying.

D&S Uganda Team led by MD Ephraim Wainaina handing over foodstuff at Sure Prospects School, Uganda.

Blood Donation – Uganda

D&S Uganda came to the aid of the National Blood Bank when they held a blood donation campaign at their head office in Kampala. They participated in this initiative because the blood bank was short of stock due to an outbreak of typhoid that had struck large parts of the country.

The target was to collect at least 100litres of blood to help save lives of those affected by the outbreak as well as expectant mothers who lose blood during labour. Over 30 members of staff donated blood.

SFS Integrated School – Nairobi

SFS Integrated School is a home for orphaned children in Katani, Kenya. D&S has in the past donated and installed solar hot water equipment but was recently made aware of a requirement for water treatment equipment to render the drinking water safe which D&S HO Solar department was happy to coordinate.

D&S Team with the children after commissioning the project.
Springs of Hope – Njoro

D&S Nakuru repaired and reinstalled a borehole pump at Springs of Hope Children’s Home in Njoro. The Home cares for 44 children aged between 2-17 years all either orphaned or from single parent homes with a number of them being HIV positive.

The Home relies solely on donations and gift items made and sold through their ‘Bagamoyo’ project so the repair of the borehole pump has allowed them to divert funds previously allocated for the purchase of water to other more pressing needs.

The borehole system is now fully operational serving not just the Home but a community of over 5,000.

D&S Nakuru staff led by MD David Ngure pose with the children in front of the foodstuff they donated.

Cheshire Home – Zambia

Cheshire Home located in Lilayi, Zambia is dedicated to changing lives by caring for the disabled, elderly, orphaned and the vulnerable people and improving their quality of life by removing barriers that might hinder them.

The Home is run by Catholic sisters who welcome destitute people of all religions and ethnicity who seek refuge and care. D&S Zambia took the opportunity to support the Home through donations of equipment and foodstuff.

D&S Zambia Team led by MD Jonathan Mainga when they visited Cheshire Home, Zambia.

Livingstone Correction Facility – Zambia

D&S Livingstone donated a Dayliff borehole pump as part of their CSR commitment to Livingstone Correction Facility who rely almost entirely on borehole water.
Shiraha Secondary School is a government run school of 334 students all of whom depended on a hand pump for their water needs. They shared the well with other facilities such as the health centre, AP camp, ACK church and the entire community. D&S Kakamega donated and installed a new Dayliff solarized pumping equipment to service this critical water point.

Kenya Water Institute – Nairobi

The Kenya Water Institute aims to be a world class center for training, research, consultancy, sanitation and irrigation for the water sector. Similarly, D&S is committed to raising standards in the water and energy fields and has taken the initiative of partnering with the Kenya Water Institute through industrial attachments, internship programs, training on equipment and the donation of prizes for the top students at graduation.

Catholic Community – Kerwa

D&S Head Office donated a Dayliff solar pumping installation to Kerwa Catholic Health Center. The Center serves a large community and had been experiencing water shortages in recent years. The equipment will ensure that they have affordable constant supply of water for the community in order to carry out more successful farming activities.

Wanjala Namukuru, the Manager for D&S Bungoma, watches as the Chief Guest cuts the ribbon during the handing over.

Best student is awarded a prize from D&S during KEWI’s graduation.
Kenya recently set ablaze the biggest ivory stockpile in history which included 105 tonnes of Elephant tusk and 1.4 tonnes of Rhino horn worth over $170 million in a star-studded ceremony at the Nairobi National Park. This was the most striking symbol yet of the fight against poaching and trafficking of the Elephants and Rhinos. The ceremonial burning was attended by Kenya’s President Uhuru Kenyatta, Gabon’s President Ali Bongo Ondimba, Uganda’s President Yoweri Museveni, United Nations officials and a wide network of conservation groups from around the world.

D&S was approached to supply the fuel pumps that ensured the entire stockpile went up in flames and standby firefighting equipment to ensure the exercise was conducted safely.

St Monica Childrens Home – Juja

St Monica Children’s Home cares for orphans and vulnerable children of all ages. It was founded in 2005 and is currently home to 47 children. D&S Thika took the opportunity to supply Dayliff Solar water heaters in order to improve facilities at the Home whilst cutting back on electricity bills.