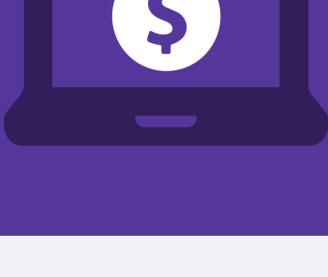


Connecting Africa

Did you know...



Africans need to pay **ten times as much of their salary** for broadband as people in the rest of the world.*

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*Source: <http://geography.oi.ox.ac.uk>



What is BT doing?

Using satellite technology BT has brought **free broadband** internet access to 30 sub-Saharan SOS Children's Villages transforming classrooms, clinics and communities in 13 countries.

30

 SOS Children's Villages in

13

 countries in sub-Saharan Africa


SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGES INTERNATIONAL



BT is committed to working with SOS Children's Villages and to ensure the programme is sustainable in the long term BT is providing training, equipment and connectivity to help them get the most out of life online.

What impact is this having?

These satellite connections have already reached nearly **145,000** people providing access to better healthcare, education and other services. Our evaluation of 20 villages showed that the social impact amounts to more than **£500,000** a year.

145,000

HEALTHCARE



100,000

We've helped SOS Children's Villages add a healthcare management system for seven of the villages. The organisation's medical centres now operate more effectively, benefiting around 100,000 people in the surrounding communities.



Doctors report being able to spend more time with patients and less time on paperwork.

EDUCATION



88%

An evaluation of Connected Africa showed that education is the most common online activity with **88% of people using the internet for study.**

34,000

In Kenya, we've reached nearly **34,000 children**, giving them opportunities to access education and improve their literacy.

COMMUNITY



Connecting Africa expands students' horizons and learning, helps doctors and nurses spend more time with patients and helps communities to keep in touch.



By developing the technology and skills within the villages, and by running adult education programmes in the wider community, the project is helping to extend the benefits of internet access across the continent.



The initiative enables more people in the community to have convenient access to the internet. Mothers who previously had to leave children to send messages in town now spend more time at home caring for their families.

£228,916

The value created through improved digital skills and communication is projected to increase lifetime earnings for African children living in poverty by **£228,916.**