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## SASA HARAMBEE SUPPORTS THE NEXT GENERATION

I am in Colorado for a short summer visit and wanted to take a moment to send you an update on what has been happening of late in Sigomere. While I am grateful to be spending a few weeks on American soil, my heart is eager to return to rural Kenya and rejoin our team on the front lines. I am sure you understand that our work, with your support, needs “all hands on deck” in these strange pandemic times. We have accomplished so much together, and much remains to be done. Thank you for being part of this global journey and taking Sigomere into your lives and hearts. I appreciate you each and every day, with every message, every gift, and every email.

### Teen empowerment

First, I want to share with you the good news about the younger generation in our programs. Long-term supporters like you know that Sasa Harambee works every day to improve the lives of our adult farmers. Many lives have and are changing because of the support coming from America. Sasa Harambee also feels that our work with the next generation is increasingly important as we seed the future.

Donations by people like you and Rotary grants allow us to work with 880 teens in 22 schools at this time. The program, through knowledge, seeks to help teens make good decisions about their lives. Teen Empowerment is a year-long youth program covering so many important topics for teens. The range of subjects is broad, including menstrual hygiene, HIV/AIDS, gender based violence, STDs, drugs, and mental health, and peers work with each other to discuss and learn about them. Led by a group of Kenyan youth, this program is strong and is developing the next generation of leaders from the ground up. In its 5<sup>th</sup> month, there is 98% attendance. Young women now lead small group discussions at their schools and for the first time, these females are sharing these topics with each other and daring to take issue with the males. A large part of the discussion is about making good decisions and taking responsibility for oneself and each other, across gender, your school and your community. In true Rotary tradition, *service to others* has become the norm in a number of months!



### Art Comes to Luoka Primary School

Next, I have news of an innovative new program. As you know, life is not always about work. Using donations from generous people like you, Sasa Harambee has “adopted” a local primary school. Once a week, Obam, one of our staff members, and I, go into the school and give students a creative time with their first ever, real art program. Sasa Harambee has bought a paper cutter, drawing pencils, crayons, paints, paper, scissors, and much more. Students express delight in their art activities and it has become a highlight of their school week. I must admit, it has also become the highlight for Obam and myself, too, and we look forward to the good cheer, smiles, and joy of the littler ones we interact with each time.

The art program is another example of how you make a difference across all areas of Sigomere life. Thank you for caring and making it possible. ***You bring joy and a better future to the hopeful, hardworking families of Sigomere.***



## Special cases in need of your support



As always with poverty, some young people stand out, showing not only resilience, but exceptional ability. Lynn is a girl in secondary school who, without competition from her peers, scores at the highest level on national exams. She dreams big, yet she is an orphan, and her future is uncertain.

A young woman who as a teen had a baby, resists the pressure to become a third wife, and sends herself back to school. After two years at university, Judith now wants to start her own kiosk by the county hospital selling snacks. She needs capital for her startup.

A staff member bound for University had all her life savings for college stolen by an uncle. She still wants to go to university. We would like to establish a scholarship fund to help her and some deserving youth realize their dreams. Thus, we need long-term sponsors to help young people like these pursue their dream of a university education.

***Can we count on your support to help these young people develop their full potential and achieve their personal goals?***

Once more, thank you so much for thinking of Sasa Harambee and the youngest in our Kenya communities. We appreciate our American volunteers that allow 100% of your gift to go directly to the front lines and drive change and community development in Kenya. **Your gift of \$50, \$100, or any amount funds development programs for Sigomere's youth and sparks real progress. Your love and kindness lifts others to a better future. Thank you for being part of our mission!**



With much gratitude,

*Carol*



**Yes, Carol!** Enclosed is my gift to Sasa Harambee's youth art, education, and empowerment programs of:

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