



Operation Safe Home



Jefferson Twp School District

In October of 2016, Chief Joseph of the Maasai Warrior Tribe in Kenya visited with the students of Jefferson Township High School. During that meeting, Chief Joseph expressed his village was in need of a kitchen for their preschool to safely prepare food for their children. The student council of Jefferson Township High School quickly responded to the need and raised \$1,500.00 for the children of the village; within six weeks the kitchen was constructed for the Maasai children.

Following the successful construction of the school kitchen, Chief Joseph approached our school district and communicated the dire need facing young women living in and around his village. Chief Joseph stated, "Currently the Maasai community has no safe house or rescue center and most of the children enrolled and of school age children have no rescue center where they can seek moral and legal support they need whenever they are faced with life challenges like; young girls sold into marriage, child labor trafficking, prostitution and poverty."

According to Chief Joseph, this safe home will, "help to empower and improve the health, safety, and education standards of the Maasai children, where young Maasai girls can get a facility where they can receive protection, care, guidance and counseling services against child trafficking abuse." Additionally, "The project will also help to protect and control girl child exploitation and girl trafficking within the Maasai community."

As a school district, we are compelled to take on this service learning opportunity in order to increase global awareness in our school community; we have named it Operation Safe Home. The community is raising money to build a safe home to house, protect, and educate young girls living in the Maasai Tribe of Kenya, Africa. The safe home will provide permanent housing and education services to young women who are at high-risk of being trafficked to neighboring villages. In addition, the safe home will serve as an educational center for the children living among the Maasai.

To accomplish the successful construction of this safe home in Kenya, the Jefferson Township school community is seeking partners to materialize this need for the young girls of the Maasai Tribe. We invite you to consider joining us by contributing a tax-deductible donation through our gracious partner Durga Tree International as we seek to make history for the people of the Maasai. Thank you in advance for your consideration; this is a truly noble cause for which our community feels passionately.

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