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CALL TO COMPASSION

## What Can I Do?

### Give financial support

- Donate to Kimeli's nonprofit organization, [American African Nuru Foundation<sup>1</sup>](#), which was chartered to help and accelerate health, education, and access to technology to those in need in Africa. The AANF has two exciting projects coming up. This fall, the AANF will continue the job the US Embassy started in funding the high school education of fourteen Maasai students. (To learn more, see the [Scholarships](#) section.) The AANF is also making plans to build a World Peace Center in Kimeli's home village of Enosaen. Kimeli envisions the center as a community library and meeting place for local leaders to solve regional conflicts. The World Peace Center will be built on the same sacred ground where the fourteen cows were given and will be used to display the official plaque given to the village by the US Embassy. You may support Kimeli and AANF in their vision for a brighter tomorrow for Kenya's youth by visiting the [AANF<sup>1</sup>](#).

### Kimeli's other favorite charities include:

- [FACE AIDS<sup>2</sup>](#): A student campaign to fight Aids in Africa
- [ASPCA<sup>3</sup>](#): The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
- [Heifer International<sup>4</sup>](#): A nonprofit organization that provides livestock and related services to families around the world.
- [Save Darfur<sup>5</sup>](#): An alliance of organizations with the common goal of peace in Darfur.
- [Sponsor a Maasai child's schooling<sup>6</sup>](#) for one year through the Maasai Association, or [donate a goat or a cow<sup>7</sup>](#) to a Maasai family in need.

### More Ideas:

- Want to give a special gift, but you don't have any cows handy? Give them a [JustGive<sup>8</sup>](#) charity gift card to spend on the charity of their choice!
- At your birthday party this year, request that guests bring canned food for the local food bank or provide a small cash donation for a charity of your choice instead of birthday gifts.

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.aanurufoundation.org>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.faceaids.org>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.asPCA.org>

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.heifer.org>

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.savedarfur.org>

<sup>6</sup> <http://www.maasaiassociation.org/child.html>

<sup>7</sup> <http://www.maasai-association.org/goat.html>

<sup>8</sup> <http://www.justgive.org/>

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#### Serve others

- Become a part of the **United We Stand** national service initiative. Answer President Barack Obama's call to service and visit [www.serve.gov](http://www.serve.gov) to search for volunteer opportunities in your area.
- Find a service project in your area on [Volunteer Match](http://www.volunteermatch.org)<sup>1</sup>. You can use the Advanced Search feature to find service opportunities that are appropriate for kids and teens.
- Start a [Kids Care Club](http://www.kidscare.org)<sup>2</sup>. This nonprofit organization can provide all the tools you'll need to start a volunteer team with your friends, including free online registration, a startup handbook, education materials, and project ideas.
- Use the **Act Now!** tool on [Do Something](http://www.dosomething.org)<sup>3</sup> to create a custom volunteering experience for you and your community! Tell them what cause you're interested in working on, who you'd like to organize (your friends, your family, your class, your youth group, etc), and how much time you have to devote to the project, and Do Something will give you the tools you need to create your own volunteer team!

#### Donate

- Donate your old cell phone to [Call to Protect](http://www.wirelessfoundation.org)<sup>4</sup> and put a phone in the hands of a domestic abuse victim. Find a drop-off point in your area or mail your phone directly to them.
- Give used toner cartridges and old cell phones to [Recycle for Life](http://www.petsmartcharities.org)<sup>5</sup>. You can pick up a postage-paid envelope at your local PetSmart store for mailing your donation. Proceeds will go towards the care of homeless animals.
- Donate your old eyeglasses to [Recycle for Sight](http://donateglasses.org)<sup>6</sup>. You can donate them at any Pearle Vision, LensCrafters, or Goodwill store.
- Give your old computers and computer components to [Computers with Causes](http://www.computerwithcauses.org)<sup>7</sup>. They will refurbish old machines and donate them to charitable causes!

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.volunteermatch.org/>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.kidscare.org/>

<sup>3</sup> <http://www.dosomething.org/actnow>

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.wirelessfoundation.org/CallToProtect/index.cfm>

<sup>5</sup> <http://www.petsmartcharities.org/donate/toner-cartridge-recycling.php>

<sup>6</sup> <http://donateglasses.org/search.html>

<sup>7</sup> <http://www.computerwithcauses.org/>