

## KENYA 2024 ...AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE PROJECT: "THE MASÁI BEEHIVE"

**Jambo, I am Saúl Serna, founder and chairman of the Just Be<sup>e</sup> Foundation, a children's character building and diversity coaching program.**

During the past 16 years we have been coaching the children at the Olepoipoi School in Kenya. We started with a few children under a tree and now we have 8 classrooms, 12+ teachers and 460 + students. We keep going strong developing great world citizens.

**I am very excited to share our next project with you.**

Since we began our children's coaching program, we have witnessed a tremendous transformation in the school and the community. Due to the need to educate children at an early age and the desire of the students to learn more about the world and share their culture, **we decided to build a Kindergarten classroom and the first Massai centric library for the school, we call it the "MASÁI BEEHIVE"**. We know that this project will make a big difference and will have a tremendous impact in the lives of the students, teachers and the Masái community.

We have begun construction and plan to deliver the Masái Beehive on March 8th, 2024, and we know that with your help we can achieve our goal. **From March 1st to the 14th, we plan to be at the Olepoipoi School in Kenya. If you would like to join us in our journey, and / or donate, feel free to contact us for more details.**



**¡TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

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**ITINERARY**

DATE	DESCRIPTION
Friday March 1st	Arrival at Nairobi <b>KENYA</b>
Saturday March 2nd	Day to rest and visit Nairobi
Sunday March 3rd	Travel to Lolgorian - Olepoipoi School
Monday March 4th- Friday March 8th	Volunteer work at the Olepoipoi School
Friday March 8th	Library inauguration and delivery of the Kindergarten classroom. Masái Family celebration Travel to the Masái Mara National Park Stay at the hotel - safari
Saturday March 9th to Monday March 11th	Safari 
Monday March 11th	Return to Nairobi
Tuesday March 12th	Visit Nairobi and return flights



## **KENYA VISA**

You can apply on line for your E-visa



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## **COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS**

Check your country policies and requirements for traveling to Kenya . To enter the US you will need a certificate of a negative PCR with in 72 hours prior to your trip.

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## AIR TRAVEL

These are some samples of the round trip cost departing from Miami  
\$890 is from Miami to London - London -Nairobi

<b>5:10 PM - 9:30 PM</b> <sup>+1</sup> Miami (MIA) - Nairobi (NBO) British Airways	20 h 20 min (1 escala) 3 h 20 min en Londres (LHR)	<b>\$890</b> Redondo por pasajero
<b>9:10 PM - 11:15 AM</b> <sup>+2</sup> Miami (MIA) - Nairobi (NBO) Aerolineas múltiples	30 h 5 min (1 escala) 13 h 27 min en Nueva York (JFK)	<b>\$926</b> Redondo por pasajero
<b>10:30 PM - 3:20 AM</b> <sup>+2</sup> Miami (MIA) - Nairobi (NBO) Turkish Airlines	20 h 50 min (1 escala) 2 h 40 min en Estambul (IST)	<b>\$930</b> Redondo por pasajero

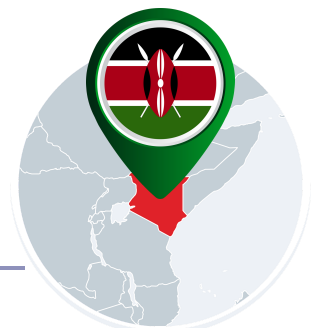
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Each Volunteer is responsible to pay for their own air fare. We expect everyone to arrive at the Nairobi Airport on Friday March 1st and/or mid-day on Saturday March 2nd at the latest.

We know is a long flight, and some of our volunteers have chosen to split the trip. For example, flying from Miami to Paris, resting one day in Paris and then flying from Paris to Nairobi. Others do a layover in Istanbul or Doha.



Also keep in mind that the road trip from Nairobi to Lolgorian (near the school) on Sunday March 3rd takes about 8 hours. Please consider your timing when booking your flights.





## HOTELS AND LODGING

In Nairobi we plan to stay at an Airbnb the nights of the 1st and 2nd of March as well as the night of March 11th.

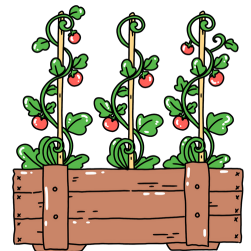
DATE	LOCATION
Friday March 1st and Saturday March 2nd	Nairobi - Airbnb 
Sunday March 3rd to Thursday March 7th	Lolgorian
Friday March 8th Sunday March 10th	Masai Mara National Park- Safari
Monday March 11th	Nairobi - Airbnb 

## FOOD

We recommend you bring some protein bars, nuts, and snacks. The food is good, mainly corn, fruits, vegetables, and rice. Most of the meals, while in Lolgorian, will be prepared at the school and by our host family, the home of Sampuoti Kunuyia.

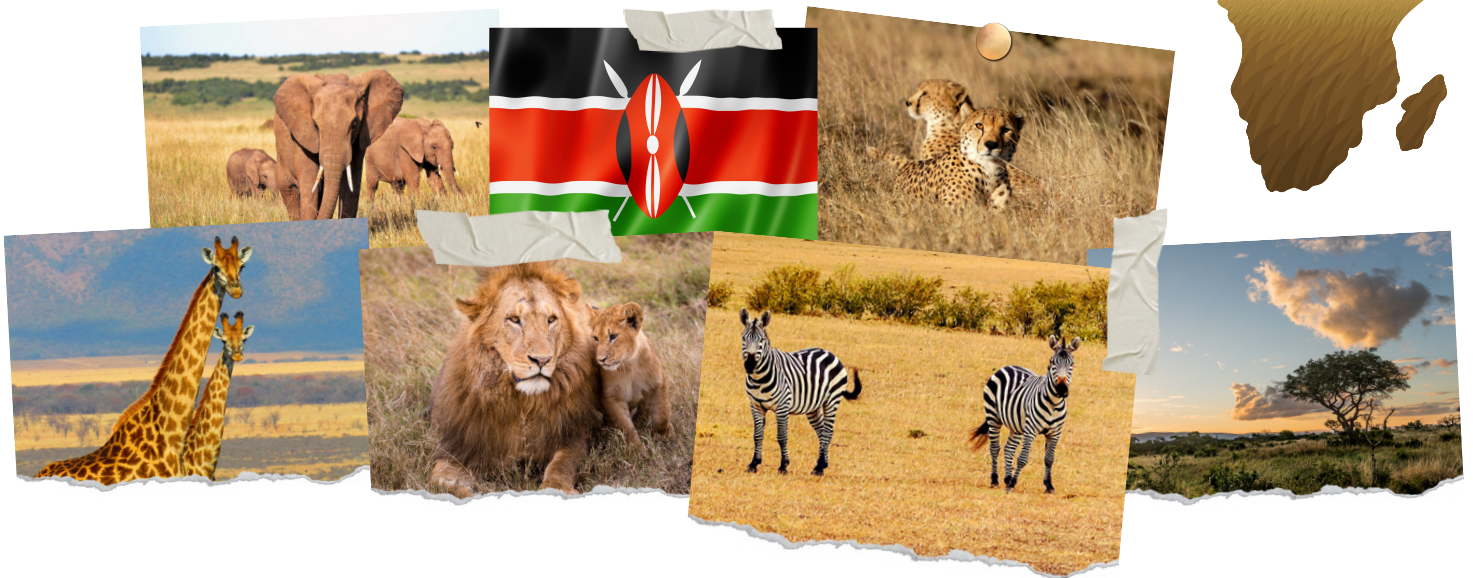
## VOLUNTEERS

- Painting and decorating the new multipurpose room
- Working on the garden and planting
- Sports activities with the students
- Teaching and coaching the Just Be<sup>e</sup> Program



## SAFARI TRIP MASÁI MARA WEST NATIONAL PARK

We Plan to arrive on Friday March 8th at the Mara West hotel. In the afternoon we will rest walk around the facilities and get ready for an amazing safari weekend.



## VOLUNTEER TRIP COST

Each Volunteer pays for their own air ticket

What is included in the package?

- Meals and Lodging in Nairobi
- Ground Transportation, Meals and lodging in Lolgorian
- Safari entrance fee, lodging and meals during the Safari
- Ground transportation back to Nairobi, lodging and meals

The discounted volunteer cost is \$2,000 USD per person.

Additional tours, souvenirs and meals..., will have an additional cost.



## **DONATIONS**

Your monetary donation will be used for the following:

- Construction of the classroom and library
- Books and school supplies for the students
- Clothing and uniforms
- Plates, cups and utensils for their meals
- Solar Panels
- Fixing the kitchen
- Seeds and equipment to complete the garden
- Bees and beehives



The total estimated cost is over \$37,000, we have already funded part and we are focused on raising the balance of \$25,000 USD

## **BANK DIRECT DEPOSITS**



Bank information - JPMorgan chase bank.

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## **ONLINE DONATIONS**

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If you are traveling with us and want to take cash with you, you can exchange it for Kenyan shilings to be deposited in the school account.

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We are a team passionately committed to serve. We are inspired by the opportunity to make a difference, strengthened by the evidence of success we have seen, and highly motivated by the desire to share, learn and be a part of a better world. We are a non-for-profit organization.



## OUR STORY

Dear friends,

Since 2005 we have been coaching children around the world with our own children's character building and diversity coaching program Just Be<sup>e</sup>. Our program has changed many lives and have inspired many parents, teachers, students and communities to share the message of love, respect and compassion. In 2006 we began working with the children in Kenya, and this year we are particularly excited as we are building their kindergartner classroom and library.

We started teaching in a storage space with dirt floors and no proper set up for a classroom. We built the desks and created a blackboard to be able to accommodate the few students we began our journey with.

The Just Be<sup>e</sup> program was gaining momentum, and the community wanted their children to participate, learn and grow. We needed to build a real school with classrooms, so we did



With the spirit of collaboration, together with other foundations, the county and the local Masái community, we began this project with a common goal. **To bring the community a school where children were inspired and motivated to be their very best, to learn, to be safe and happy.** After many challenges and hard work, the idea became a reality, and the first classrooms were built.



Once the classrooms were operating, we focused our attention in making them attractive. We painted murals, invested in learning materials, furniture and the Just Be<sup>e</sup> uniforms and coaching books to inspire creativity, and maximize the learning experience for all students.

Our next project was to bring food and drinking water to the school children. Many did not have enough food, only had a glass of milk for the day. We decided to build the structure to collect rain water, donated the water tanks and build a kitchen to prepare the school lunch, every day.



Once we completed 2 more classrooms, the 2 water tanks and the kitchen, we experience the COVID pandemic. We are grateful we had food and water as it help maintain a balance at the school and the community.

After the pandemic we restore classes and keep on working. We had an electric transformer installed and so we then had electricity, drinking water, food, and education.



The teachers, the families and the community has collaborated in making the school a special place to Just Be<sup>e</sup>. Under the leadership and inspiration of leaders like Sampuoti, they celebrate their success. We continue to grow, have more students, more family participation and the school test scores keep improving year after year.



In April 2022, with a group of 6 volunteers from Colombia we went to the school to continue our mission. Our goal was to decorate 3 classrooms, Paint the entire school, introduce sports activities and deliver the coaching program. We also donated another water tank to a different school in need.





We work hard for one week, and together with the students and teachers, sharing our love, respect, commitment, and passion to serve others, we completed our project.



We are very happy with the results and the transformation we witnessed. **We continue our work to provide a positive environment and the needed conditions to inspire the students to learn, the teachers to coach and the community to be active in the process.** The values we are teaching in the Just Be<sup>e</sup> coaching program, are the pillars to build a strong community based on respect, appreciation, love for your neighbor and diversity.



As each student learns and apply the 12 lessons of the program, they become responsible to be the best they can be, their lives as well as the lives of their classmates are transformed. We know and have proven that by coaching children at an early age we can change the world. **Your donation and collaboration help us continue making this possible!**



We can see the smiles in their faces, showing us their happiness and commitment for excellence. Together with the teachers and the students, as well as the Masái community and the families we have created a magical environment to learn and live respect, love, and appreciation. Our school moto says it all. **Olepoi school is a place to Just Be<sup>e</sup> your best.**



We continue feeding their minds with values and knowledge, as we feed their bodies with their school lunch and provide clean water to drink. More importantly, we are doing with them, not for them, teaching and coaching our future leaders so the program is sustainable. We donate seeds for their garden and work on bringing beehives to cross pollinate and produce food regularly.





We are very proud and grateful for the opportunity to serve, share and learn together. We are celebrating our diversity, sharing our cultures, enjoying our results and regardless of the language we speak or country of origin, we are speaking the same language of love and respect for each other.

We know that small group of committed individuals can make a big difference.



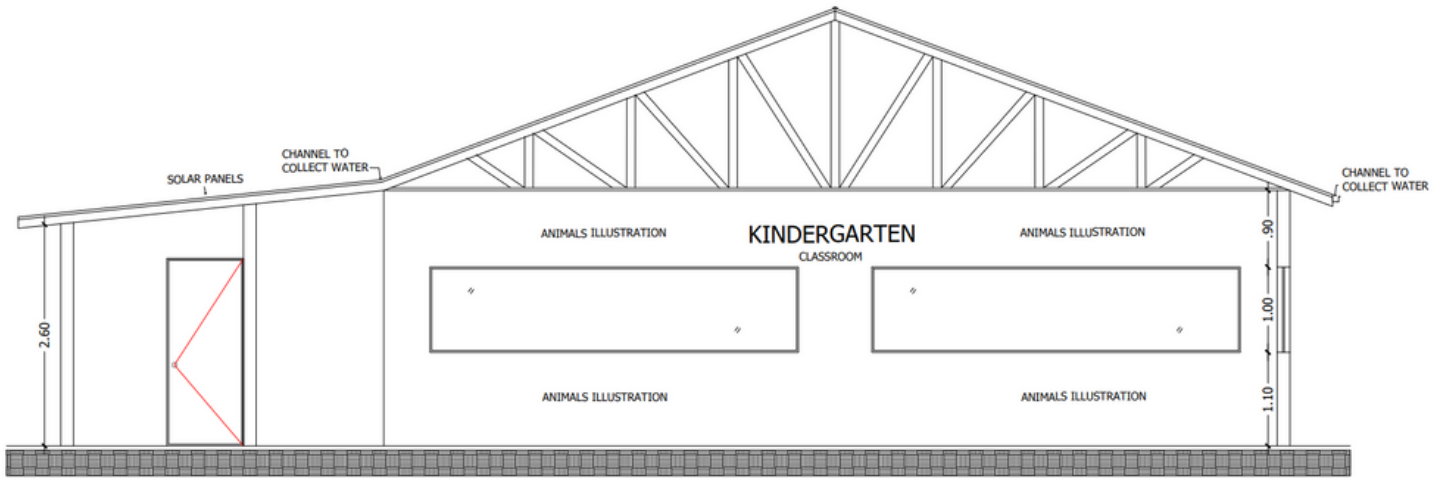
Through education and mutual respect, we can develop world citizens. We can raise our flags and sing our national anthems with a voice of respect for each other, appreciation for what we have and a deep desire to help each other.



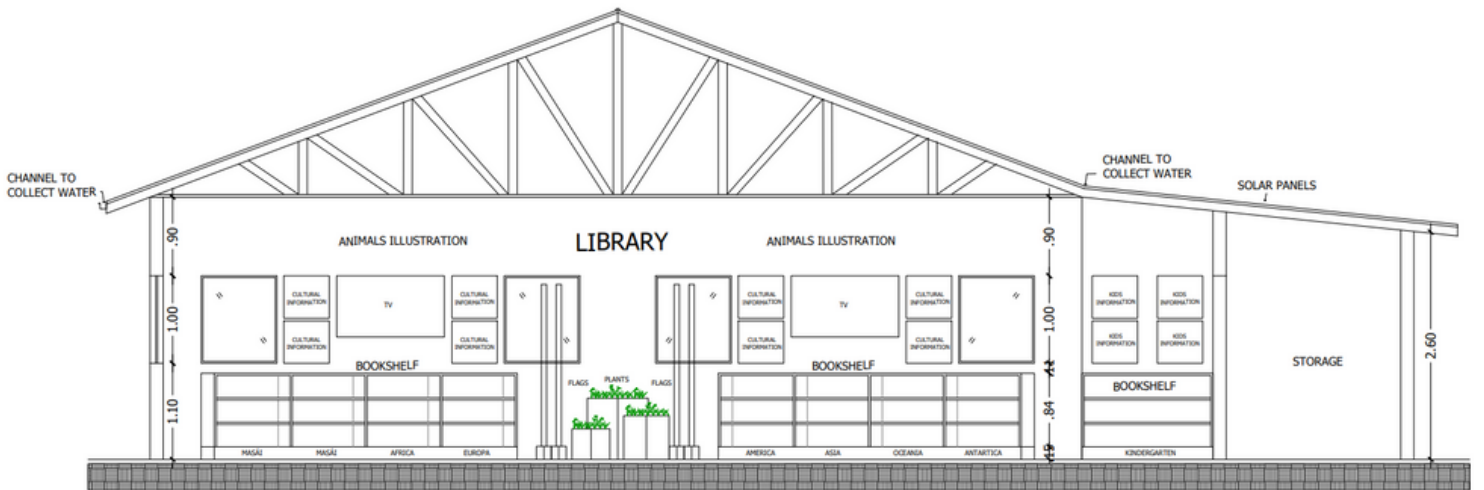
As you can see, we have grown together, and every day are becoming better. We now have the need to create a Kindergarten classroom for those little ones that are starting their journey. Currently they don't have a place where to learn, therefore we want to build a special place for them to begin their early childhood education.







CORTE A-A



CORTE B-B





**This is what we call “THE MASÁI BEEHIVE”** A place that will inspire learning, awake the imagination and connect the Masái culture with the world through the values of respect and appreciation.

Imagine a place where the students can deepen their Masái culture, learn about other cultures and become world class citizens.



The “MASÁI BEEHIVE” is the place to BEHAVE as ONE. It will Mark a before and after in the community. It will attract more students, visitors, and the little ones will begin their early childhood educational experience at a different level.

We are not planning on doing it, we already began construction, and we are working hard to deliver and inaugurate our “MASÁI BEEHIVE” on March 8th, 2024. To complete this Project, we will need and additional \$25,000 USD. Each donation , regardless of the amount, Will help us get closer to achieving our mission.

Would you be willing to collaborate and help us with our mission?



¡We have a job to do, and together we can do it!

Thank you for taking the time to learn about our project in Kenya and coaching program.

I look forward to working with you on this project. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me directly.

Saúl Serna.



**YES I WANT TO COLLABORATE IN  
BUILDING THE MASAI BEEHIVE**

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