

Making a Global Impact



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The Human Rights Challenge

A serious disease breaks out in a country. Medical care is not available. Elsewhere, after a long **drought**, a small farm cannot support the family that owns it. And in still another country, the government wants to let a mining company take over land without consulting the people who live there. In many parts of the world, plastic pollutes the land and seas. It puts humans and wildlife in danger. In some places, racial **discrimination** continues, even when it is against the law.

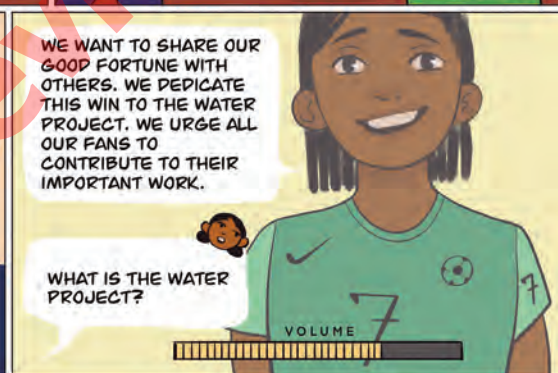


What do all these events have in common? They are about human rights. All humans have certain rights the moment they are born. But human rights are not always respected and protected. Fortunately, there are organizations and people who care. They take action when human rights are denied. They find solutions. Many of them make a global impact by helping other people.



Maya's Bright Idea

A HOME IN SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS





THREE DAYS LATER...



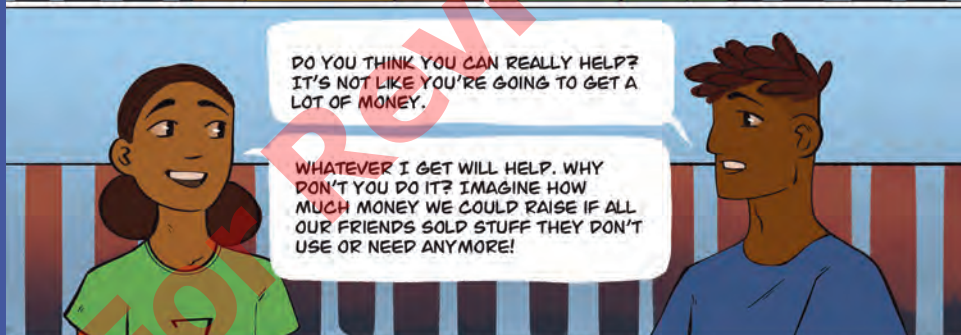
THIS STUFF IS GREAT! WHY ARE YOU SELLING IT?



I'M RAISING MONEY FOR THE WATER PROJECT! I HEARD ABOUT IT FROM THE SUPER FALCONS.



DO YOU THINK YOU CAN REALLY HELP? IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO GET A LOT OF MONEY.



WHATEVER I GET WILL HELP. WHY DON'T YOU DO IT? IMAGINE HOW MUCH MONEY WE COULD RAISE IF ALL OUR FRIENDS SOLD STUFF THEY DON'T USE OR NEED ANYMORE!



HMM...



TWO DAYS LATER...

I JUST SENT THE MONEY I RAISED TO THE WATER PROJECT.



I'M SO PROUD OF YOU!



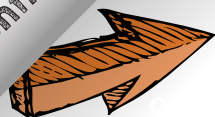
SO AM I.



I'M PROUD OF MYSELF, TOO. I FEEL LIKE I DID SOMETHING GOOD, AND IT MAKES ME FEEL GOOD. LIKE I MADE A DIFFERENCE. I'M GOING TO MY ROOM TO THINK OF OTHER WAYS I CAN HELP!



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Making a Global Impact

Human rights are universal. But they are not always universally available. Poverty, war, disease, and other challenges prevent some people around the world from having their basic human rights. Many organizations and people are dedicated to helping them.

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