

Thank You for Supporting Solar Cooking in Kakuma Refugee Camp, Kenya

Dear Alex,

Thank you for helping make the 2026 solar cooking program at Kakuma Refugee Camp possible. Because of your support, **1,578 more people have access to solar cooking** with **186 new solar cookers** distributed this year.

Over its lifetime, a single cooker can support up to 65,000 individual meals, turning a solar cooker into a long-term source of stability and resilience. That means that these solar cookers are making up to **12 million individual solar-cooked meals** possible over their lifetime.



For many households in Kakuma, cooking is not only a health challenge but also a financial burden. On average, families reported spending about \$33 USD per month on charcoal and firewood, placing ongoing pressure on already limited household resources.

When we consider cost, the impact becomes even clearer. **The production cost of each solar cooker is approximately \$22 per year**, when divided over the lifetime of a solar cooker. This translates to **less than one cent per meal**, helping illustrate the efficiency and long-term value of a decade-long investment that continues to deliver daily benefits year after year.

None of this would be possible without your support. As the program continues into 2026 and beyond, your role remains central in helping expand access and strengthen adoption. Thank you for making this work possible, and for helping bring cleaner, safer cooking within reach for thousands of people in Kakuma.

Sincerely,
Caitlyn Hughes, SCI Executive Director