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EMPOWERING THE FUTURE MAASAI WOMEN LEADERS.



The Maasai young women learning how to use computers and how to grow food crops

Female genital mutilation, early marriage, and access to education are huge issues for young girls and women in the Maasai Community. Girls are not given the same opportunities as boys and do not possess agency like the boys. The patriarchal Maasai community allows for the men to arrange marriage and “sell” their daughters at a young age in exchange for money and livestock. They typically only pay for schooling their sons who might later increase the family’s inheritance through marriage.

Women are left to perform all the domestic chores such as cleaning, cooking, care of livestock, and care of the children. This does not give women the value they deserve as they are not viewed as people with potential but rather as property.

G-BIACK has been in the frontline to change this situation in the Maasai community and other communities in Kenya as well. Through the Girls Empowerment Programme (GEP), young women are given an opportunity to discover what is in them and they are stirred to develop their potential and to mold their lives into leadership. In the 18 months programme, these young women acquire skills that will enable them to sustain themselves in the future. It helps them to realize what they are worth and enables them to improve their economic status. They also become a source of hope and inspiration to other girls in their communities. Our aim is to empower the communities and to transform lives regardless of cultural background. Please join us.

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