



In *A Long Walk to Water*, Salva wants to use his education and resources to help the people of Sudan. He eventually has the idea for a project to bring clean water to Sudan. Salva finds himself challenged by the process of planning and bringing to life such a large-scale project, but he is ultimately successful. His nonprofit organization, Water For South Sudan, has drilled more than 500 wells throughout South Sudan.

## Now it's your turn to plan a project that will help a community that you care about! Use the organizer below to brainstorm your ideas.

Think about different communities, or groups of people, in your neighborhood, town, state, or the world. What community do you most want to help?

What issues currently face the community that you chose above?

List a few ideas of how you could help this community address those issues.

List your personal strengths that could be useful in your project.

What limitations do you have that might impact your project?

Decide exactly what you will do to help your chosen community, and then write your project statement on the next page.



### **Project Statement:**

l will help		_address the issue of	
	(community)	(issue or problem)	
by			
(summarize the action to be taken)			

Now that you've finalized your project statement, use the organizer below to help you plan all of the details of the project.

### Timeline

When will the project happen? How long will it take?

#### Resources

What items, supplies, people, or skills will you need for your project? Where will you get them?

#### Steps

List the steps you need to take in order to complete your project.

Now it's time to create a formal project proposal! Use the prompts on the next page as a guide for writing your proposal and presenting it to an audience.







A project proposal is a written document that you share with people whom you would like to be involved in your project. This might include local leaders, community members, or others who could donate time or resources. The project proposal outlines everything your audience should know about your project. The purpose of the proposal is to inform your audience about the project while also persuading them to help you with your goals.

# Now write your own project proposal! Use the outline below and your notes from pages 1 and 2 to guide you. Use additional paper if needed.

- 1. Greeting: Who is your audience? Why are you reaching out to them?
- 2. Problem: Describe the issue that you want to address. Why is it important?
- 3. Solution: Explain your solution. What will you do to address the issue?
- 4. Action: Identify the specific steps you will take. What is your goal? What is the timeline for the project?
- 5. Request: What resources will you need to complete the project? What do you need from your audience?
- 6. Summary: Briefly summarize the goal of your project, and appeal to your audience for assistance.
