Our Project
Jewish World Watch is committed to protecting refugee women and girls from rape and other egregious forms of violence. Women and girls who have fled the genocide in Darfur, Sudan, are particularly vulnerable to rape while performing the critical task of collecting firewood for cooking. The Solar Cooker Project’s mission is to reduce the frequency of these crimes by providing refugee women with an alternative cooking option: the solar cooker. Solar cookers enable women to reduce their dependency on wood and remain within the safety of the camp.

The Solar Cooker Project not only protects women, but provides them with income opportunities through manufacturing cookers and training others to use the cookers. This project is operating successfully in four refugee camps.

The Refugees
• 285,500 men, women and children live as refugees across the border from Sudan in Chad.
• 80% of the refugees are women and children.
• Families of 5–10 people live in one hut. Often the woman, who is the head of the household, takes care of her own children as well as several orphans, as many of the men have been killed.

The Genocide in Darfur
• Black Africans have been terrorized, driven out of their villages, and decimated by Arab militias, the Janjaweed and the Sudan government since 2003.
• It is estimated that up to 400,000 people are dead.
• 2.7 million people have been displaced.
• Women and girls have been raped and beaten at an alarming rate.
• The U.S. government has labeled this a genocide, yet no definitive action has been taken to suppress the violence.

Our Goal: 100% Solar Cooking for All Refugee Camps in Chad
SCP is currently operating in the following camps:
Oure Cassoni Camp – 31,917 refugees
Iridimi Camp – 18,859 refugees
Touloum Camp – 24,505 refugees
Farchana Camp – 21,148 refugees NEW CAMP!

• More than 50,000 cookers have been manufactured and distributed in these camps.
• All the women and girls over 15 are being trained to solar cook.
• They receive 2 solar cookers. One for sorghum, the grain staple distributed, and the other for sauce, or vegetables (if available.)
• Trained refugees provide follow-up assistance to help keep the cookers in good working condition.
• Refugee women manufacture the cookers, providing them with a new skill and the opportunity to generate income for their families.
• The women sew carrying bags to protect the cookers and weave hay baskets to keep the evening meal that is cooked in the daytime hot until eaten.

Our Project: Providing Solar Cookers to Refugees
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Mother and daughter enjoying sweet solar tea!

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$40 Supplies 1 Family with 2 Solar Cookers and Safety

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Who We Are

The Solar Cooker Project is a program of Jewish World Watch (JWW). JWW is a hands-on leader in the fight against genocide and mass atrocities, engaging individuals and communities to take action locally to produce powerful results globally. We meet with survivors and partners in conflict regions to develop high impact projects that dramatically change lives.

Our Partners

JWW’s Solar Cooker Project is proud to work in partnership with many organizations that help make this endeavor successful. TchadSolaire “Chadian Sun,” the Non-Governmental Organization on the ground in the camps, provides the day-to-day staff and training for the Solar Cooker Project in the Iridimi, Touloum and Dure Cassoni refugee camps. Christian Outreach Relief Development (CORD) is an international organization working to build lasting peace in partnership with people living and working in conflict, or post-conflict situations. CORD runs the schools in four refugee camps in Chad and has launched the SCP in the Farchana refugee camp. KoZon, based in the Netherlands, provides women in developing countries with cheap and effective solar cooking alternatives. Solar Cookers International assists communities to use the power of the sun to cook food for the benefit of people and the environment. The refugee camps are run by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

Environmental Benefits of Solar Cooking

- In this region, there are 330 days a year of “free” sunlight, perfect for solar cooking.
- Solar cooking reduces the need for firewood for cooking.
- Two solar cookers can save one ton of wood each year.
- Smoke from cooking fires is considered a major cause of global warming.

The Solar Cooker

- The CooKit, developed by Solar Cookers International, is a simple solar cooker which converts sunlight into heat and then cooks food and heats water.
- The cooker is easy to manufacture because it is made out of cardboard and aluminum foil and is assembled by hand.

What You Can Do

Help provide the women and girls in all 12 refugee camps in Chad with solar cookers by raising awareness and much-needed funds.
- Host an informational event with a JWW speaker or show our mini-documentary, Women of Iridimi, at your home, work, parent association, library, synagogue or church.
- Organize a fundraiser: BBQ, bake sale, car wash, dinner, theater party or come up with a new idea.
- Make a donation: A $40 donation supports one family by providing two solar cookers and training. A $200 donation supports five families by providing ten solar cookers and training.

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YES! I want to bring solar cookers to the women in the refugee camps.

Please accept my donation of:
- $40 to buy 2 cookers for 1 family
- $80 to buy 4 cookers for 2 families
- $120 to buy 6 cookers for 3 families
- $200 to buy 10 cookers for 5 families
- $400 to buy 20 cookers for 10 families
- $800 to buy 40 cookers for 20 families
- $2,000 to buy 100 cookers for 50 families
- Other $______________

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