

CALOSCI POLYTECHNIC: THE SCHOOL OF CUTTING AND SEWING

In the village of Makueni, 173 km from Nairobi, there is a vocational school for cutting and sewing, "Calosci Polytechnic", named after the founders, owners of a textile company in Florence.

Many years ago the Caloscis met father Charles, our reporter from Kenya, and its commitment to provide education to Kenyan children in need.

The couple, won by his selflessness, wanted to give hope to those children who do not have nothing but their dreams.

In 1999, thanks to the mediation of father Charles, was founded the College of cutting and sewing "Calosci Polytechnic", which offers a two-year course for 50 girls every year.

Heart of Africa Association collaborates with this institution, raising funds to pay studies for ten girls every year. Since the contribution is to support school fees, this is a sponsorship for all purposes. The demands, however, is less expensive for sponsors: the course lasts only two years and the financial burden is similar to that of primary school, 340 euros.

This year, four girls have already been assigned to their sponsor, and six more are waiting to get one.

Training comes before job activity, so Heart of Africa usually buys the goodwill for the girls when they have completed their studies: a sewing machine with pedal control (electricity is not widespread in Kenya), some tissues for their tailorings, a few months of rent for the venue of their art.

Calosci Polytechnic, in order to return the generosity of Heart of Africa on the occasion of the visit of the delegation, hosts all sponsored children, encouraging socialization among them and the making of the short film on visit to Kenya.

We invite all interested readers to feel free to ask for more informations about this task, and call on anyone who owns a sewing machine with pedal control and would like to give it to one of our girls.