Tanzania: SUMA Engikaret School, Archdiocese of Arusha

**LOAN DETAILS**
- **LOAN AMOUNT**: $85,000
- **INITIAL INVESTMENT**: 2/2021

**INVESTMENT OVERVIEW**

**ENTERPRISES**
- **Education**: Secondary School (Ages 12 to 20)

**USE OF LOAN**
- Construction of dining hall and purchase of dining hall fixtures
- Books
- Library Shelving

**INVESTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**
- The school has been ranked first in its district of now 12 schools for the last three years and is one of the top ranked schools in the region
- The school has been in operation for over 10 years and has a history of financial stability and educational success
- As one of the only education opportunities for children of the Maasai community, SUMA offers girls an alternative to early marriages
- The loan will enable the school to take on more students and to provide more scholarships to underprivileged students
- The loan will enhance the school’s library and dining facilities to promote students’ well-being and to support future growth

**DIOCESE OF ARUSHA**
- **SUMA Engikaret School**
- Location: Arusha, Tanzania

**IMPACT**

**SHARED PROSPERITY**
- The new facilities will enable SUMA to expand beyond its current 254 students to accommodate up to 320 students
- 47% of SUMA’s students are girls. The school plans to maintain or increase this percentage over time
- SUMA offers a way for members of the Maasai community to pursue an education without abandoning their customs and culture, providing an alternative to early marriages
- The school will increase the number of scholarships offered annually from 10 to 12 or more over the course of the loan term

**RESILIENCE / LAUDATO SI’**
- The school will switch from wood fired cooking to gas fired cooking
- The school makes use of solar energy as well as grid power, which is hydroelectric
- The school intends to plant up to 1,400 trees per year with help from the students and local households

**STRENGTHENED SOCIAL ENTITIES**
- The dining hall construction will enable to school to expand rainwater collection, which the school will use to provide access to clean water for 20 local families

**MISSIO INVEST ADVISORY & SUPPORT**
- Missio Invest will provide guidance on improving their financial management and accounting systems

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