

## AGRICULTURE



Not everyone gets to go to school, but thanks to The IMAGE Project's response to Maasai requests for help in agricultural projects, many are empowered! After generations of relying on the nomadic lifestyle of herding cattle, the Maasai around the village of Kwale have taught themselves to farm. The IMAGE Project provided training on farming and some of the initial seed for the farms. But the dry season significantly impacts their success. To help alleviate this problem, the women in Kwale approached The IMAGE Project with an irrigation plan, involving a pump to run water to their fields from the nearby Ruaha River. Thanks to generous donations, The IMAGE Project was able to purchase the pump for this irrigation project. We are proud to report that the irrigation project has been so successful that the pump needs to be replaced with a larger one! The women in the village of Kwale are very busy tending to their crops of onions, sour tomatoes, and corn. The successful farms empower these women by providing food for their families and, for some, income from the sale of the produce, some of which goes toward education costs for their daughters.