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**LOCAL TEENS READY FOR "CRAZY LOVE TOUR"
PROVIDING MEALS, MEDICAL SUPPLIES
FOR THE POOR IN CALIFORNIA AND AFRICA**

SAN JOSE, Calif. – An enthusiastic group of students are ready to make a difference this summer in a "serve-a-thon" that they're calling the *Crazy Love Tour*.

The *Crazy Love Tour* is the latest initiative of 4others.org, a student-run ministry dedicated to inspiring young people to live their lives for others. "We want to be a catalyst--inspiring, encouraging, and equipping other young people like us to make a difference with their lives," April Hunt, spokesperson for 4others said. The Tour will take place Aug. 3-9 in several California cities, including San Jose. Each day, teens will travel to a different city to help meet local needs while also raising funds to fight extreme poverty in Africa.

They will be heading to places like Mendota, CA, where the unemployment rate has reached 41 percent, to provide much-needed meals and inspire hope.

They will also conduct a city-wide food drive in San Jose on Aug. 8 to benefit *Second Harvest Food Bank*. *Second Harvest Food Bank* currently serves 205,000 people every month. This is a 15 percent increase in just the past six months.

The students' goal is to partner with other youth groups, churches, and organizations to canvass San Jose neighborhoods and solicit donations outside of grocery stores. These are just a couple of the ways they will be serving on the *Crazy Love Tour*. Groups that want to get involved can visit 4others.org. Many resources and opportunities for involvement are available on their website.

Going to extreme measures to highlight extreme causes is nothing new for these students. In March 2007, they launched the *African Water Project*--a student-led initiative to provide access to clean water in sub-Saharan Africa. That summer they conducted a 15-mile walk-a-thon in the middle of Death Valley to raise funds for the drilling of wells. Dubbed the *Badwater for Good Water Walk*, these students walked in 120 degree temperature to raise \$15,000.00 for their cause.

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Last year they conducted a 25-mile *Give-Well Triathlon* to again benefit the African Water Project. "What some people may consider 'radical,' we want to model as the new norm. We want to show people how big of an impact they can make by simply deciding to live for others," Hunt said. To date, they have drilled 3 new wells in western Kenya, repaired 12 more in Zambia, and are preparing to drill a deep water well in Uganda in August.

Since this is a "serve-a-thon," teens will also be raising donations through pledges and sponsorships. One hundred percent of the funds raised will be divided among the Tour's four partners: the African Water Project, Children's Hunger Fund, CURE International, and Opportunity International. Through these partnerships, the funds will provide access to clean water, relieve hunger, provide medical care, and alleviate poverty. To make a donation and sponsor these young people, visit their website at 4others.org. "We want to see how much love and service we can pack into just seven days! It's going to be crazy!" Hunt said. The name *Crazy Love Tour* fits perfectly.

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