



Martin Luther King Jr Essay Competition
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One Alone, Stronger Together

Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "If I cannot do great things, I can do small things in a great way." When I hear the word great, I immediately correlate it with a huge impact. Martin Luther King Jr. was a man who helped things happen which had a huge influence in our nation. But what is a 13-year-old girl like me supposed to do to make a huge impact on the world? The truth is there is so much we can do in this world to make an impact. It might not be as huge of an impact as Martin Luther King Jr's, but the outcome is always in good thought. I've done many things in my life that have had an impact on those in need. For example, when the earthquakes in Mexico happened, many families lost their homes, belongings and food. Everything they've worked for was gone. The news was very devastating to hear. I thought to myself, in times of need, I would want someone to help me back on my feet. I remembered my mom had mentioned to me a donation drive that her and some friends were hosting. I knew that I wanted to help, I knew I has some clothes from a couple years back that didn't fit me any longer, and I gave up a few barbie dolls. I figured some little girl or boy would make better use of my things. My donations alone would have had a small impact, but because other people donated as well, together we made a HUGE impact. One alone can make a small impact, but together we can influence the world.