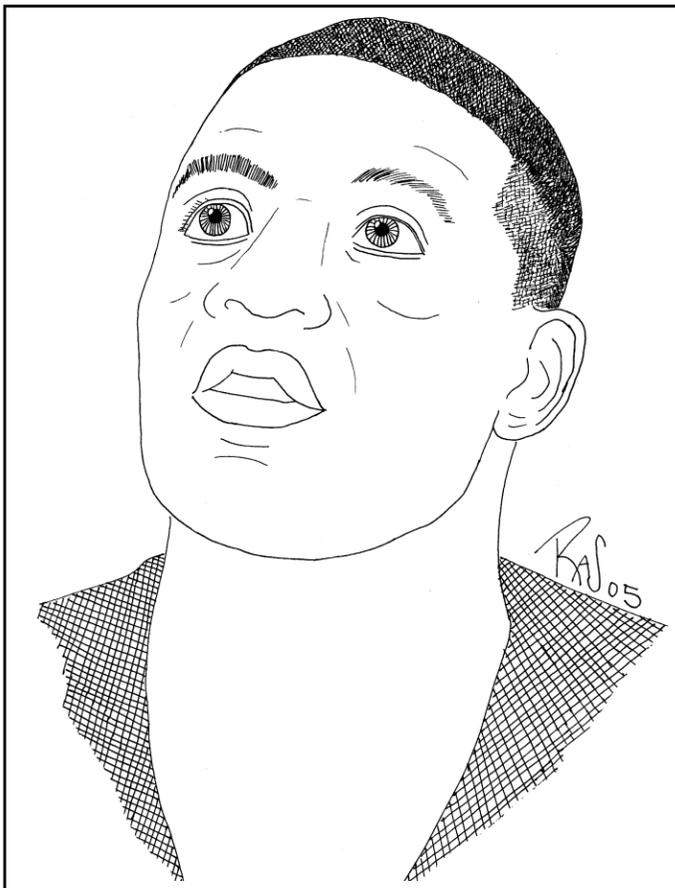


# Be a Hero for a Better World



"24,000 people, 18,000 of them children, die every day because of hunger. Each year we bring food to nearly 90 million people in more than 80 countries. Food – there's no greater gift, and no better way to give it than the World Food Programme."

## Dikembe Mutombo

(1966-)

Dikembe Mutombo is a Congolese-American NBA basketball player who is one of the greatest defensive players of all time. This 7'2" superstar, who speaks 9 languages, came to the United States from the Democratic Republic of Congo in 1987 on an academic scholarship. He started in the NBA in 1991 and won the NBA Defensive Player of the Year award four times.

Dikembe Mutombo is also well-known for his humanitarian work. In the off-season he travels throughout Africa, performing at free basketball clinics, and is actively engaged in many causes. In 1997, he started the Dikembe Mutombo Foundation to help improve living conditions in his native country, and helped build the first new medical hospital constructed there in 40 years. Mutombo served as a spokesperson for the international relief agency, CARE and the United Nations Development Program named him their first Youth Emissary. He is a World Food Programme Partner to end world hunger and in 2004, launched the ONE CAMPAIGN, with rock superstar Bono, to help fight AIDS and global poverty. Dikembe Mutombo has received many awards and honors and is widely recognized as one of the sports world's most caring athletes.

**Dikembe Mutombo was born on June 25, 1966 in Kinshasa, DR Congo**

### Be A Hero For A Better World!

1. Find out more about this hero
2. Pledge to help end hunger (iaahp.net)
3. Hold an event to raise awareness about the problem of world hunger
4. Contribute to an organization working to end hunger

### Organizations Helping End Hunger

- Alliance To End Hunger (alliancetoendhunger.org)
- America's Second Harvest (secondharvest.org)
- End Hunger Network (endhunger.com)
- Food For All (foodforall.org)
- Oxfam America (oxfamamerica.org)
- World Hunger Year (worldhungeryear.org)
- The Hunger Site (hungersite.org)

Free Online: EndHungerBook.com

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