



The Stone Soup Leadership Institute's
Story of the Week: Salvador Gomez-Colon
Light and Hope for Puerto Rico
Week of July 18 - July 24, 2021

Sunday: Thrive Global: Light and Hope for Puerto Rico

#SundayThoughts: This week's story on Arianna Huffington's Thrive Global showcases Salvador Gomez-Colon, who started Light and Hope when he was 15 to purchase and distribute solar lamps, mobile phone chargers, and hand-operated washing machines across Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria devastated the island in 2017.

Thrive Global Link: <https://thriveglobal.com/stories/light-and-hope-for-puerto-rico/>

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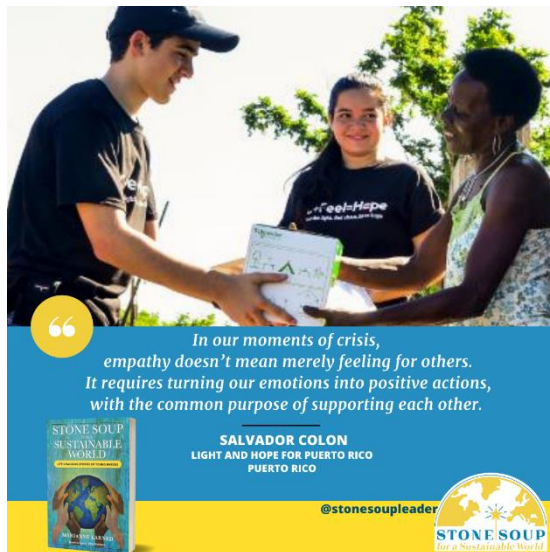


THRIVE GLOBAL
Light and Hope for Puerto Rico
Salvador knew that Puerto Rico's strong sun—the same sun that gives elderly residents heat stroke, and forces Puerto Ricans to carry umbrellas during the day—could provide the energy to power new equipment.

Monday: Quote: Salvador Gomez-Colon

#MondayMotivation: In the wake of Hurricane Maria, teen Salvador Gomez-Colon's brought light and hope to Puerto Rico with his GoFundMe campaign, which raised more than \$175K. TIME Magazine named him Teen of the Year for work he did to help restore power to more than 3,500 households.

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In our moments of crisis, empathy doesn't mean merely feeling for others. It requires turning our emotions into positive actions, with the common purpose of supporting each other.

SALVADOR COLON
LIGHT AND HOPE FOR PUERTO RICO
PUERTO RICO

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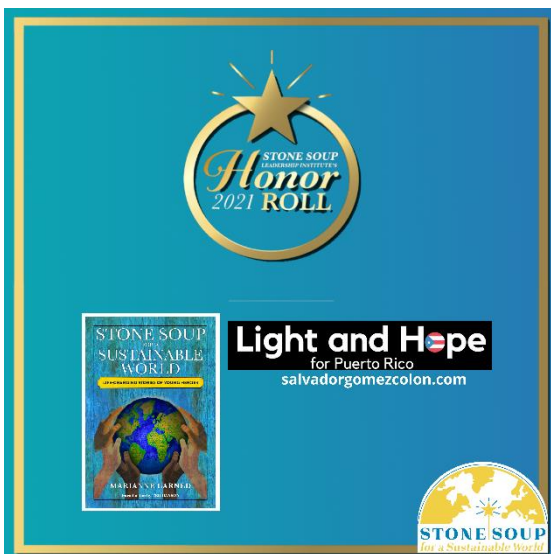


Tuesday: Heroes Report: Salvador Gomez-Colon

Be inspired by this short video featuring green entrepreneur Salvador Gomez-Colon, who harnessed the power of Puerto Rico's strong sun to restore light and hope to thousands of people, rich and poor, who were displaced by Hurricane Maria.

Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d7jto5_zuk

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Wednesday: Honor Roll: Light and Hope for Puerto Rico

#CalltoAction: Light and Hope was launched by Salvador Gomez-Colon when he was 15, as a solution to restore power, by way of solar, to make it possible for families to maintain healthy hygiene and safety after Hurricane Maria wipe out power to the entire island. Since then, Light and Hope has helped usher in new modes of sustainable living.

To learn more about solar power and to adopt renewable energy in your home, visit Salvador's website: salvadorgomezcolon.com.

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Thursday: Salvador Gomez-Colon Featured in New Book

Read about renewable energy entrepreneur Salvador Gomez-Colon who is one of 100 changemakers from 38 countries featured in *Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes*. Available on Kindle: amzn.to/32zwGXV.

Available on Bookshop: bit.ly/StoneSoup-Bookshop

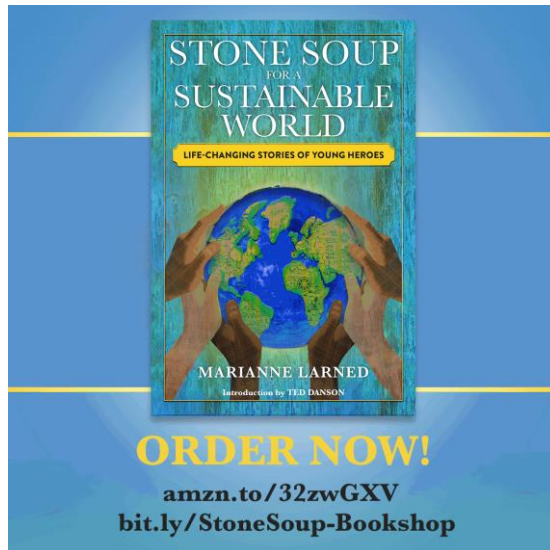
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Friday: Book Selfie

#StoneSoupChallenge: Be inspired by renewable energy champion Salvador Gomez-Colon who is one of 100 changemakers from 38 countries featured in *Stone Soup for a Sustainable World: Life-Changing Stories of Young Heroes*. Available on Kindle: amzn.to/32zwGXV. Available on Bookshop: bit.ly/StoneSoup-Bookshop

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Saturday: Book Promotion (Updated rotating globe graphic)

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