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## **Middle School Students Make Bones For Charity**

Students in Matthew Silva's sixth grade Community Service Learning class recently cut, carved and created wooden bones to participate with the organization Students Rebuild in the One Million Bones Project.

Students Rebuild is a grass roots campaign founded in response to the devastating earthquake in Haiti and the organization continues to operate by calling middle and high school students and educators around the globe to action.

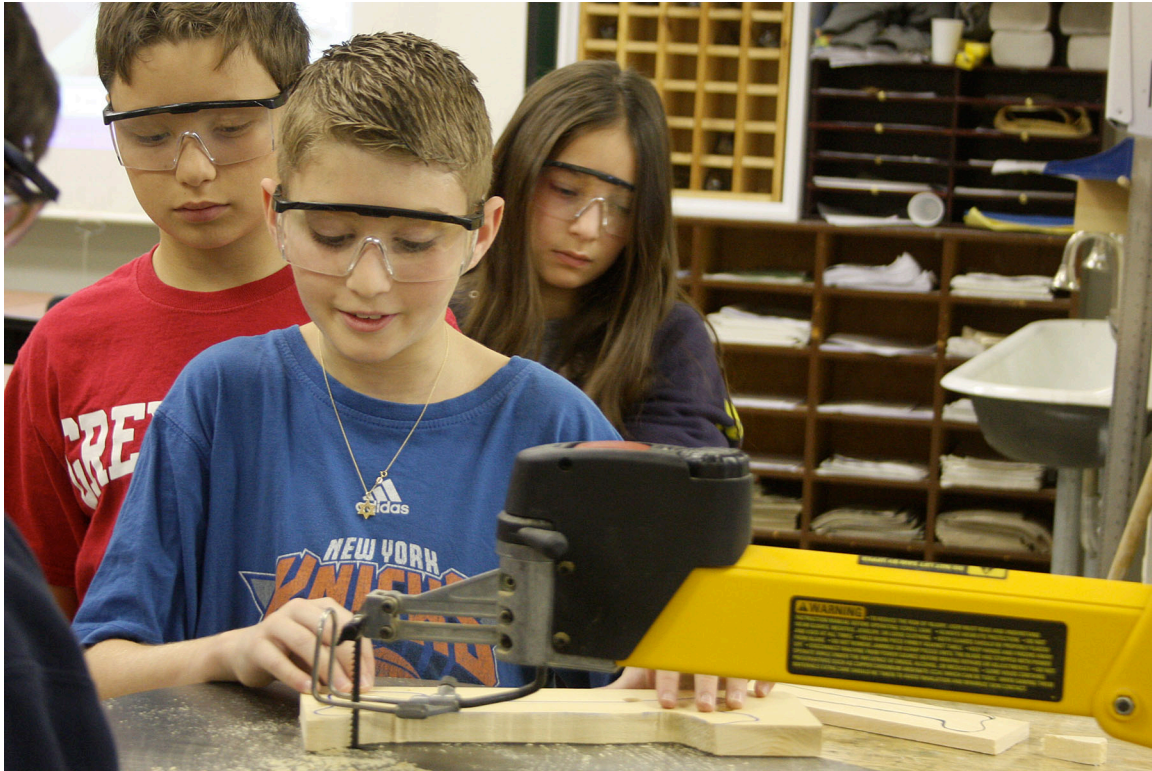
Students Rebuild recently partnered with One Million Bones, which is a collaborative art installation designed to recognize the millions of victims and survivors who have been killed or displaced by ongoing genocides and mass atrocities in Sudan, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, and Burma. The group's mission is to create a visible movement that will increase global awareness of these atrocities while raising the critical funds needed to protect and aid displaced and vulnerable survivors. For every 120,000 handmade bones the group receives, \$100,000 is donated to the organization.

Students in Silva's class will send their bones to be included in the Spring of 2012 when one million bones, made by artists, activists and students, will be displayed in the nation's capital.

For more information, visit [www.studentsrebuild.org](http://www.studentsrebuild.org) and [www.onemillionbones.org](http://www.onemillionbones.org).



*Teacher Matthew Silva looks on as a student carves his bone.*



*The students enjoyed using the saw during this project.*



*Showing off their bones.*