Help4Refugees

Who: Jordan Hattar, director of Help4Refugees.org, sharing his experience working with Syrian refugees.

When: Speaking availability: May 1 - December 20, 2017

Below is a link to a short video that serves as a good introduction to Jordan's story, narrated by Carl Wilkens, the only American that stayed in Rwanda throughout the genocide: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3DPSg97MwQE

Abstract of Voices of Syria presentation:
Following one's heart is a popular piece of career advice. But how does anyone do it? Follow Jordan Hattar’s story, which took him from southern California to South Sudan, from university in California to the Syrian refugee camps, and from studying genocide intervention at the University of Cambridge to working in the White House this past fall. Jordan's presentation brings a human touch to humanitarian efforts in the Syrian crisis and encourages students to fearless create their own path in life.

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Additional information:
The documentary After Spring, which is produced by Jon Stewart, the former host of the Daily Show, highlights Jordan’s humanitarian work in the Zaatari Refugee Camp. Often schools show this documentary in the lead-up to Jordan’s visits in order to acquaint students with refugee camp life and Jordan’s humanitarian efforts.

Support:
As for costs of a visit, Jordan asks that schools help cover travel expenses (a visit can be arranged when he is already in close proximity to your school), accommodation during his stay, and he also typically suggests that schools make a donation/provide an honorarium in the range of $250. That said, he is willing to work with your budget if that is not possible, as his main goal is to encourage/inspire students and put a human touch to the Syrian refugee crisis.