



Helping Women and Children Around the World

Friends of BoldeReach,

Happiest Holidays to you!!! BoldeReach wishes you the very best of the season.

Projects sponsored by BoldeReach to aid women and children around the world would not happen without your gracious support for which we are extremely grateful. BoldeReach is not the only group that is appreciative of your generosity. Money raised from our 2006 Gala is already making a difference in communities in need worldwide!

2006 BoldeReach Beneficiaries Update



Water for People supports projects in Bolivia, Honduras, Guatemala, India and Malawi. In Honduras, WFP finished a water system in Laguna Verde. In various communities in Honduras, 35 Hydraulic (pour flush) latrines serving 6 people each are being built. In Bolivia, WFP is developing a water system in a remote community, Linde Grande-Linde Chico, where water has been scarce. In Guatemala, in the state of El Quiche, WFP repaired many much-needed water and sanitation systems in various communities. In India, WFP helped communities in the Bay of Bengal improve water and sanitation systems, saving them from rampant illness from poor sanitation conditions.



EWB-USA has projects world-wide and works through student chapters supported by professional engineers. The EWB projects funded by the gala include a project led by John Bennett, Chair of EWB-USA, ten grants made to EWB-USA Chapters for world-wide water projects and a BoldeReach Project Award of \$5000 to be announced at the EWB-USA Annual Conference in Amherst, MA in April 2007.

Look for updates in future newsletters and for more information on both WFP and EWB, go to their websites: www.water4people.org and www.ewb-usa.org.

BoldeReach 2007 Recipients Announced

BoldeReach is proud to announce the recipients for our 2007 "Around the World With BoldeReach" Gala, which will be held in the fall of 2007 (date/place to be announced). Our cause this year is **MicroFinance** (also known as microcredit). We have chosen two great microfinance loan programs as our co-beneficiaries: **Friendship Bridge** and **The International Association of Women's Village Banks**.

Friendship Bridge and Village Banks are committed to empowering women in small-business endeavors. Such microcredit loans (\$100 or less) are amazingly effective in helping women improve the lives of their children, families and communities. With a 98% or higher repayment record, our money will be in good hands! We are excited to work with these great organizations!

"Conversations" with BoldeReach

In 2007, BoldeReach is hosting "Conversations", an interactive educational series. The first session will cover "Philanthropy and Charity: Choices in the Philosophy of Giving". Save the date: **Thurs., Feb. 8th**.

Subsequent Conversations will cover topics such as "Underlying Issues Affecting Women and Children in the World Today" (March 8th), as well as world issues of health, education, economics and human rights, in the following months.

Conversations will be held on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM at a location TBA. The Conversation series is an interactive way to learn about promoting change in the world and covering issues that most need our attention. Mark your calendars!

BoldeReach Website Update

Our website will be fully updated after the holidays. New information about our 2006 Gala (including pictures!), in-depth information on our 2007 cause and recipients, as well as updates on the work of our current and past beneficiaries - Engineers Without Borders (2006)...Water For People (2006)...Free-A-Child (2005)...Afghan-Ed (2004) will be added. So please visit www.boldereach.org in 2007.

"Non-Traditional" Holiday Giving

As we approach the holiday season, the Women of BoldeReach and the Partners of BoldeReach wish you joyous times with your family and friends. We also invite you to think about this traditional time of giving in a non-traditional way. You can give a gift to the world and honor your family members at the same time.

Incredible holiday and any occasion gift ideas are listed at www.alternativegifts.org and www.seva.org.

What better gift to give than the knowledge that even a small donation can improve the life of person in need?

Happy Holidays from BoldeReach!