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Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for your generous contribution of \$5000 on 6/15/2010. We are deeply saddened by the destruction left by the tragic earthquake that hit Port-au-Prince on January 12, 2010. At the same time, we are touched by the beautiful examples of resilience, compassion, and care for those in need that we are experiencing amidst the Haitian community of survivors on the ground. SOIL has been in Port au Prince since several days after the earthquake facilitating and participating in the emergency response. We are also continuing our work in Cap Haitien where we have been combining emergency relief for displaced people and long term development projects. Your donation will be used to help with the following efforts:

- SOIL co-founder Sasha Kramer, along with SOIL's new WASH specialist Nick Preneta and number of former interns, volunteers, and SOL staff have been in Port-au-Prince since just after the earthquake. They have been delivering food and water to survivors in areas not reached by the larger aid organizations, using our vehicle to transport the injured to field hospitals and survivors into the care of their relatives out of town, translating, and helping to network between the local neighborhood associations and grassroots groups that are the natural leadership in the camps. They are also working with other NGO's focused on sanitation to help coordinate the sanitation response to the earthquake. SOIL will continue these activities through mid April while transitioning into more sanitation related work in affected areas.
- In Milot, where there is a well equipped hospital receiving many airlifted survivors from Port-au-Prince, SOL administrator Josapha Augustine, Project Director Baudeler Magloire, and Secretary/Treasurer Chantal Augustine are providing food, clothing, and soap for patients at the hospital and helping to mobilize the community to receive an influx of strangers needing help. The SOL team has also continued to focus on the projects that were in motion prior to the earthquake such as the municipal composting site, the technology centers and an indoor dry toilet project.
- In Cap Haitien, our SOIL/SOL office is being used as a stop-over place for international volunteers arriving in Haiti through the Dominican Republic and travelling to Port-au-Prince. Rosie Toussaint is helping with translating and Toni Telfort is in charge of hospitality.
- In Borgne, SOL board member and community education director Estimable Francius Dauphin (Johnny) is coordinating buses from Borgne to Port-au-Prince to pick up survivors whose families are based in Borgne. As the assistant mayor of Borgne he will continue to be responsible for providing for survivors in his commune. Johnny is also working with SOIL in Port au Prince on educational efforts related to our sanitation projects.
- We have just started a 6 month project with OXFAM to build 50 dry toilets and 100 arborloos in small IDP camps in Port au Prince and to set up a composting site to treat the wastes and transform them into valuable fertilizer.
- We will continue to use our extensive email network of contacts in Haiti and internationally to put volunteers in touch with people in need, help survivors get care, and help medical facilities get the supplies they need.

We thank you for your support and will put your donation to use on the ground immediately. Please check our website, www.oursoil.org for regular updates on the emergency situation.

In gratitude and solidarity,

Sasha Kramer, Executive Director

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