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- DENNIS BRUTUS 1978

"LOVE; THE STRUGGLE"
DEAR FRIENDS,

While reflecting on the 4th anniversary of Haiti’s earthquake, I remembered Dennis Brutus’ poem, “Love; the Struggle.” Although his words were written for South Africa in 1978, they could just as easily have been written for Haiti. A true friend of Haiti, Dennis would be pleased to know that his words have been adapted to tell the story of struggle in other lands.

This is a land so vibrant and alive that, even after months without rain, when Haiti’s capital is coated in dust, the air is lit with the brightness of children’s smiles. This is a country where neither earthquakes, nor floods, nor cholera can erase simple kindness, and humanity runs thicker than the dirty canals that threaten to wash it away. Even in Port-au-Prince’s darkest alleyways, laughter will come bursting through as imperious as the sun, and for a brief moment, a smile can slice through misery.

Four years after the earthquake with over 100,000 people still living in tents where everyday survival involves unthinkable obstacles, the proud survivors have demonstrated that the spirit will survive. Haitians have somehow found the courage to laugh through their sadness, transforming struggle into strength. This country and its people are as powerful and resilient as the soil.

Thank you to all the friends of SOIL who have been moved by the struggle in Haiti. We are so grateful to those of you who have continued to show your love and solidarity even when the news cameras have moved elsewhere.

In memory of Dennis Brutus, and those who were lost in Port-au-Prince in January 2010.

WITH LOVE FROM HAITI,

SASHA
Since 2007, Madam BWA has worked as SOIL’s community organizer in Shada, an under-served community in Cap-Haitien that was plagued by water-borne diseases even before the cholera epidemic. She has played a critical role in every project SOIL has undertaken, providing consistent communication and coordination between the entire community and SOIL. As a SOIL toilet beneficiary, she is extremely dedicated to the work that SOIL is doing in Haiti and is incredibly passionate about continuing the development of Shada, where she lives with her family and many grandchildren.

Since 2006, SOIL has been promoting dignity, health, and sustainable livelihoods in Haiti through the transformation of wastes into resources. SOIL provides safe, clean, ecological toilets to communities in and around Port-au-Prince and Cap-Haitien. We collect and treat the waste to make rich, organic compost - transforming one of Haiti’s greatest public health challenges into a critical environmental resource.
The Poop Loop

Soil toilets provide Haitians with access to safe, dignified sanitation.

Waste is collected for treatment.

Compost is carefully monitored and tested for safety.

Waste is transformed into a valuable resource that nourishes the soil.

Plants grown in soil’s compost help reforest and stabilize Haiti’s environment.

Plants bear nutritious, organic food for people to eat (and then excrete!)

What We Do
Imagine having no option but to endanger your family’s health and poison your environment every time you had to use the bathroom. This is the reality for over 75% of Haiti’s population who lack access to safe sanitation - but SOIL is working to change it by:

- **PROVIDING EMERGENCY SANITATION FOR OVER 4,200 PEOPLE**
  SOIL continues to provide public toilets in some of Haiti’s most vulnerable communities – places like Celestin, a tent camp for those made homeless by the 2010 earthquake, and Shada, a neighborhood where the cholera epidemic has had a particularly devastating and sustained presence.

- **LAUNCHING A REVOLUTIONARY NEW SOCIAL BUSINESS MODEL**
  SOIL is paving the way for a long-term private sector solution to sanitation. Three thousand people are currently participating in SOIL’s pilot program, with another 500+ waiting to join, demonstrating the market demand for sanitation in even the world’s most impoverished communities.
SOIL doesn’t just make toilets – we know that to truly impact the sanitation crisis in Haiti, the unglamorous task of waste collection and treatment is paramount.

Each week, SOIL collects nearly 14,000 gallons of waste from our toilets around Haiti. Once safely delivered to one of our treatment sites, the waste begins the process of being transformed into rich, organic compost.

“IT’S A MODERN-DAY ALCHEMY THAT IS, ON A SMALL SCALE AT LEAST, HELPING HAITIANS TURN SOMETHING DEADLY INTO SOMETHING VALUABLE.”
- THE GUARDIAN, MARCH 10, 2013
“WE COULD TAKE THIS CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY FROM BERKELEY AND USE IT IN HAITI – THAT WAS REALLY AMAZING FOR ALL OF US.”

–SASHA KRAMER ON DNA EVERYWHERE’S PHYLOCHIP, IN THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, NOVEMBER 12, 2013

Because the safety of our compost is a paramount concern, SOIL continues to refine and advance our techniques for ensuring our compost is free of E.Coli and other disease-causing bacteria.

This year, we initiated a partnership with DNA Everywhere at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory in California to begin genomic testing of our compost. Our staff were trained and provided with the necessary lab equipment to take periodic samples for analysis at the DNA Everywhere lab in California. This partnership will provide SOIL with an even more detailed look at the microbial composition of our compost.
In just months, SOIL transforms a dangerous health hazard into material that isn’t just safe – it has the power to rebuild Haiti’s damaged landscape. Haiti was once known as the “Pearl of the Antilles” for its fertile soils, but today 33 million metric tons of soil are lost annually to erosion, and agricultural production has declined rapidly over the past decades. SOIL’s goal is to help rebuild Haiti’s soils to their former glory by recycling the nutrients in human wastes so that they can be used to grow more food, plant more trees and replenish Haiti’s most valuable natural resource.

In the last year alone, SOIL produced 150,000 gallons of agriculture-grade compost for local farms, urban gardens, plant nurseries, and even Heineken! The international beverage giant committed to purchasing 30k of SOIL’s compost to support local farmers in Haiti.

*We are very happy to be able to support SOIL’s activities in Haiti... the compost that they produce as a byproduct of their ecological sanitation programs is a valuable soil enhancer that will improve agricultural production in Haiti and will help Brana source more agricultural products locally, thereby supporting Brana’s long-term social and economic development goals in the country.*

—Donald Emerant, Corporate Social Responsibility Manager, Brana Haiti (International Heineken subsidiary)
SOIL continues to be active in tree-planting efforts around Haiti, with over 4,000 trees from our nursery planted this year.

Reforesting with compost stabilizes the soil and increases its ability to absorb water, which helps the trees flourish – and also helps reduce the risk of deadly floods and mudslides. Because compost helps plants store more soil carbon, SOIL’s compost is also helping to fight global warming and the extreme weather it produces. SOIL will continue to build bridges between international supporters like Trees, Water, People and local groups like the Boy Scouts of Haiti. With these partners, SOIL’s trees are addressing environmental tragedies – and in turn helping to grow a stronger, more vibrant Haiti.
Though Haiti was once one of the most agriculturally-productive countries in the world, today the soil is so stripped of nutrients that it cannot produce enough food to feed Haiti’s population. SOIL is working to revive local agriculture by promoting the use of compost and other environmentally- and financially-sustainable methods. In the past year, we hosted 8 Agriculture Student Interns, who are helping to expand and develop our research in this area, and will ensure that this knowledge and experience reaches small farmers across the country.

“[Haiti] still imports 50 percent of its food. By turning thousands of gallons of human waste into compost each week, SOIL has the potential to transform this problem dramatically...”

—Christian Science Monitor, July 1, 2013
We are committed to sharing our knowledge and resources, because we know that when more people are empowered through education, we can accelerate change and achieve our vision:

- **SAFE, DIGNIFIED, SUSTAINABLE SANITATION**
  that is accessible to all Haitians - and all those living in impoverished communities around the world

- **AN ENVIRONMENT THAT IS RESTORED TO ITS**
  life-giving potential

- **PEOPLE THAT ARE EMPOWERED TO REIMAGINE**
  waste into productive resources for our world.

We have provided educational materials and in-person training to over a thousand people from over 50 countries, ranging from local youth camps to global organizations.
WE OPERATE IN A COUNTRY WHERE TOO MANY ORGANIZATIONS HAVE STRUGGLED TO SUCCEED, AND TOO MANY BILLIONS OF DOLLARS HAVE BEEN SPENT TO NO AVAL. WE ARE COMMITTED TO USING YOUR GIFTS WISELY TO EFFECT GENUINE, LASTING CHANGE IN HAITI. SOIL’S IMPACT IS DUE IN LARGE PART TO OUR COMMITMENTS TO:

**CULTURAL FLUENCY**
62 of our 66 staff are Haitian, and all of our staff speak the local language (Haitian Creole) and endeavor to understand the social norms in the communities where we operate.

**LOCAL SOURCING**
We purchase supplies locally and contract with local businesses whenever possible, which keeps our costs down while supporting the long-term expansion of Haiti’s economy.

**INCLUSIVITY**
Beneficiaries are consulted at every step of project design and implementation, insuring that our programs are community-driven and responding to real, not simply perceived, needs.

**SUSTAINABILITY**
Our projects are designed with identified income streams, and we support spin-off enterprises to encourage solutions that can become financially self-supporting.

**EXPERTISE**
We value knowledge gained through both formal training and life experience; because our dedicated employees live and work in the communities SOIL serves, they are truly experts in local solutions for sanitation, agriculture, business development, and community organizing.

WE ARE THRILLED THAT SOIL HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR THE IMPACT OF OUR WORK IN HAITI. OUR 2012-2013 RECOGNITIONS INCLUDE:

- **FINALIST, ASHOKA NUTRIENTS FOR ALL COMPETITION**
- **SEMIFINALIST, BUCKMINSTER FULLER CHALLENGE**
- **SHORTLIST, REED ELSEVIER ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGE**

Thank you to all our friends and supporters in Haiti and around the world that have made this transformative work possible. We couldn’t have done it without you!
2012-2013 REVENUE

- FOUNDATION GRANTS: $1,110,117 (80.1%)
- INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTIONS: $173,585 (12.5%)
- RELIGIOUS, CIVIC, AND PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS: $71,263 (5.1%)
- EARNED INCOME: $17,733 (1.3%)
- CORPORATE GIVING: $10,816 (0.8%)
- FUNDRAISING EVENTS: $2,327 (0.2%)

TOTAL REVENUE: $1,385,840

2012-2013 EXPENSES

- EMERGENCY AND HOUSEHOLD SANITATION: $389,881 (35.56%)
- WASTE COLLECTION AND TREATMENT: $312,690 (28.52%)
- AGRICULTURE AND REFORESTATION: $211,937 (19.33%)
- EDUCATION AND OUTREACH: $105,937 (9.60%)
- MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION: $43,857 (4.00%)
- DEVELOPMENT: $32,779 (2.99%)

TOTAL EXPENSES: $1,096,417
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