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Make a Connection
Monthly Update
(November 2007)

Dear Partners,

Attached is the November monthly update. We welcome the addition of Proeducación in Mexico to the global program.
Please see below for a short blurb on the organization and their program.

Warm regards,
IYF team

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New Partner - Proeducación

Founded in 1997, Proeducación works to improve the quality of education in 27 primary schools in marginalized communities in Mexico City and across the country. Using a holistic and community-based approach, the organization works directly with teachers, parents and students to improve the learning environment in classrooms.

Over the next three years, as part of the global youth development initiative of Nokia and IYF, Proeducación will implement the Escuela Integral program in four marginalized public schools in Mexico City. The program expects to reach more than 1,200 students, 600 parents and 70 teachers and school administrators. Additionally, a pilot technology component will be designed and implemented in Proeducación supported schools beginning in early 2008.

Interim Report

A reminder that we are requesting the December 2007 reports to be submitted early on January 4, 2008. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please get in touch with your regional manager.

Global Exit Data

You should have received an email this week about collecting Global Exit Data. In your January 2008 Interim Report, you will be asked to submit all global baseline and exit data collected between July and December 2007. Please read the message carefully and contact Michelle Szechenyi (mszecheny@iyfnet.org) and your regional manager if you have any questions.

Project Management Resource

Check out this new publication on the fundamentals of project management. It is a useful primer and toolkit on how to manage projects more successfully.

Partner Highlight

On November 22, LEAP Africa held its 4th Annual Nigerian Youth Leadership Awards showcasing 10 outstanding young Nigerians who have created positive change in their communities in areas such as health, human rights, education and economic development. More than 600 guests attended the successful event, which also recognized the 2007 graduates from the Youth Leadership training program (pictured below). For more information about the 2007 awardees and the event, please visit LEAP's website at www.leapafrica.org

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