God, Creator and Sustainer of Life,

We join with all of your creation in a canticle of thanksgiving for the blessings of the universe, especially the sacred gift of water, on which our very life depends.

Forgive our wasteful use of all the precious resources entrusted to our care.

Well-Spring of Life, send forth your empowering energy to renew all the barren places of our parched Earth as you renew us, Earth's stewards.

May we go forth as ambassadors of hope,
for all those thirsting for your Life-giving Water.

Prayer: Mary Kay Flannery, ssj
Art: Mary Anne Zakreski, ssj

How You Can Help

We invite individuals, groups, schools and organizations to be part of our mission to fund projects for sustainable change in the United States and around the world.

Simply collect loose change or send a donation of any size.

Make your check payable to:
Change for Global Change
9701 Germantown Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19118-2694

Please contact us for ideas and materials if you would like to lead a group campaign:
info@changeforglobalchange.org

We gratefully accept donations at any time but the suggested campaign "season" is Easter to Pentecost / April to June

Annual Collection Campaign

Learn more about us / Contact us:

www.changeforglobalchange.org

Helping Our 'Dear Neighbor' Live Sustainably — One Project at a Time

Who We Are

Change for Global Change is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation founded by the Sisters of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia. Networking with all the Congregations of Sisters of Saint Joseph in the U.S. Federation, we collect "change" (coins or bills) in order to bring about sustainable change in areas of greatest need.

Our Goal

Our goal is to address the ecological crisis — especially the global problem of water scarcity — by providing grants for sustainability projects in areas where the Sisters of Saint Joseph and Associates minister.

How We Help

We collect small donations from many people, so that joining together in a neighbor-to-neighbor, across-the-street and around-the-world effort, we can make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters in need. Since our inception in 2006**,** ***Change for Global Change*** has awarded grants totaling $78,100 for sustainability projects to communities in Brazil, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Haiti, India, Kenya, Mozambique, Nicaragua, Peru, Sudan, and the United States.

Why We Help

The Sisters of Saint Joseph were founded in 17th century France to address the "miseries" or crucial needs of the time. We firmly believe that caring for Earth and all God's people is one of today's greatest needs.

"As people of faith…our obligations to the one human family stretch across space and time. They tie us to those who are poor in our midst and across the globe. The commandment to love our neighbor invites us to consider poor and marginalized persons of other nations as true brothers and sisters who share with us the one table of life intended by God for the enjoyment of all." (U.S. Catholic Bishops, *Global Climate Change: A Plea for Dialogue, Prudence and the Common Good)*

Read the in-depth stories behind the sustainability projects funded by *Change for Global Change* at www.changeforglobalchange.org.

Success Stories

Read firsthand reports from some of our grateful grant recipients:

From Sister Odila Cadore – Bahia, Brazil

"We are happy to have completed the first step of building 8 cisterns to capture rainwater that rarely falls during the year and preserving it for the dry season."

From Sister Mary Frances – Duluit Bol, Sudan

"The first well was drilled in the part of the village where the people had to walk five hours each day to get contaminated water from the river … When the well was drilled and the water came out, one old man started to cry. Women and children danced in jubilation."

From Sister Amelie Cigolini – Sao Joao do Patos, Brazil

"This funding helped us acquire an Alfa I machine to draw recyclable materials from street drains, allowing for a healthier environment that is more humane and pleasant, with less pollution in the only reservoir for good water in the city."

Did You Know? More than 1 billion people live in areas without clean water and 2.4 billion do not have access to proper sanitation, nearly all of them in the developing world.