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Dear Friends of Lunches For Learning

As a result of your participation, L4L is completing a second successful and rewarding school year of providing a nutritious and balanced lunch to rural elementary school children in Valle Province, Honduras. L4L has grown from providing lunch to 84 hungry school children in one elementary school in El Amatillo, Honduras in February, 2005 to providing lunch to over 500 hungry children in eight elementary schools in Valle Province, Honduras today. L4L intends to expand the lunch program to even more poor "small, forgotten"* schools in rural Honduras during the '07 school year (February '07 through November '07).

L4L is, and always will be, a "grass roots" organization. Our base is made up of compassionate individuals who recognize the need and participate in the solution. L4L has been successful in attracting benefactors that will match some percentage of our base contributions. These benefactors allow us to double, triple, even quadruple funds we receive from individual contributors. This tremendous advantage is a double-edged sword; if our grass roots donations decrease, the matching funds decrease correspondingly and the total impact is a decrease of two, three, or four times the decrease in individual donations.

In Honduras, the school drop-out rate in poor public elementary schools is 20% to 30%. The drop-out rate has plummeted to 0 in the schools where L4L provides a daily lunch (in fact, enrollment has actually increased). All of the children who started 1st Grade when the program began in February '05 will complete 2nd Grade this November. Your continued support will assure that these same children will complete 3rd Grade in 2007.

L4L management has always understood that the lunch program must continue for many years so that children can successfully complete 6th Grade and enter the work force with basic reading comprehension and math skills; thus, breaking the cycle of poverty. We, on behalf of the children, ask for your continued support.

In order to effectively plan our 2007 school year program, L4L is asking that you take a minute to consider a level of participation for yourself or your family, then fill out the enclosed brochure, and return your completed pledge form to us.

Siempre su amigo,

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