Chapter Leader Talking Points  
November 2012

**Featured Program Monthly Theme:**  
Healthy Women Bearing Healthy Children Build Healthy Communities  
“Jungle Mamas” - Pachamama Alliance, Ecuador

The mission of Jungle Mamas, a project of The Pachamama Alliance, is to empower the indigenous women and communities of the Ecuadorian rainforest to ensure safe birthing and the health and well being of the Achuar people. The primary focus of this program is to assure the health of mothers and babies, and promote community and family health, as well as access to drinking water and basic sanitation.

**Grant requested: $40,000**

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**Sustained Program Funding**  
“Threads of Change” - Rubia, Afghanistan

The DFW grant of $36,416 in November 2010 funded the development and implementation of Rubia’s *Threads of Change Program* in Nangahar Province, as originally proposed, and also in the province of Farah. Through our grant, 450 non-literate women from Nangahar Province graduated from the *Threads of Change Program*, and 300 from Farah. Our sustained funding will continue to support this program empowering 500 Afghan women and girls.

**Grant requested: $15,000; $15,000 will also be granted in 2013 and in 2014 based on fulfillment of progress reporting requirements.**

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**Announcing Programs for January – June 2013**

*Please see the link below for the program flyer – these are the programs we will be featuring in 2013!*


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**100% Participation – We Need Your Help**

This year our goal is to have **100% participation** from our 8,000 members in **The Thirteenth Month Campaign** by December 31st and **we need your help as Chapter Leaders.** As of 10/26/12, we have received 253 gifts from our membership, a 3.16% participation - we are making progress!

Please join us in affirming the importance of Dining for Women’s work in changing our world for women and girls by making your gift to **The Thirteenth Month Campaign**, and by encouraging your chapter members to do the same. We have made available a video to view during your chapter meeting. You will find it in the October Dropbox folder: [https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ns05qznzpdfkial/jxzlVeDa_](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ns05qznzpdfkial/jxzlVeDa_)

Or on Youtube.  [Link](https://www.dropbox.com/sh/ns05qznzpdfkial/jxzlVeDa_)

We believe your members will follow your lead. Thank you!!
Ways to give to The Thirteenth Month Campaign:
At your November Chapter Meeting
Online: www.diningforwomen.org/donate/main
By Mail: Dining for Women
PO Box 25633
Greenville, SC 29616-0633

Cookbook to Celebrate 10 years of DFW – We need your recipes!
Deadline for recipes has been extended to November 15th – please submit your recipes now! A Greenville chapter is publishing a commemorative cookbook to celebrate a decade of dinners empowering women and girls and hopes to raise $20,000. Cookbooks will be available next spring for $20 a piece. See our DFW website for more information. Link: www.diningforwomen.org/Cookbook

Next month’s featured program:
“Girl Determined Circle – Girl Determined, Burma
Girl Determined is a leadership project designed to assist girls ages 12-17 to avoid the pitfalls of trafficking, dangerous labor and other forms of violence, by facilitating girls’ recognition of their personal and group potential. They work to promote girls rights in all forums, particularly for the most vulnerable, by organizing Colorful Girls Circles, training facilitators, creating curriculum, bringing girls together and exposing the reality of girls’ lives in Burma. Grant amount requested is $50,000 over 2 years.

Meeting Ideas
• Suggest books, films and music to your chapter members
• Present program briefly using the PowerPoint presentation. Can show presentation file or just use for your own notes!
• Expand further on the issues women face using the Food for Thought, including the discussion questions.
• Contact Pachamama and arrange a speaker or request a speaker through Skype for your chapter meeting. Check out speaker list in Dropbox.
• Announce the November Sustained Funding Program and a brief summary- see sustained funding program links on the DFW webpage.

See link to Dropbox folder on Pachamama’s Featured Program webpage for access to this information.

Monthly Program Materials
Additional education materials are available to enrich your meetings. Please make sure your members and upcoming program presenters aware of this. See the monthly featured program webpage for access to the materials where you will also find a list of speaker contacts. Link to Sustained Funding Programs information can be found the on the Program page, http://www.diningforwomen.org/ProgramsPanelPage.

Note: At this time we are using Dropbox to simplify the availability and publishing of our program materials due to our limited volunteer and paid staff resources. Dropbox also allows us to make available large files, which are limited
using web links.

We recognize that Dropbox printing is not a one step process. To print a file, it must first be downloaded and printed from your own desktop. We will continue to work to improve the availability of educational resources while balancing the ease of access for our members and effective use of our DFW resources.

**Our Mission**
Dining for Women’s mission is to empower women and girls living in extreme poverty by funding programs that foster good health, education, and economic self-sufficiency and to cultivate educational giving circles that inspire individuals to make a positive difference through the power of collective giving.

**Our Vision**
Our vision is to create a new paradigm for giving – collective giving on an immense scale while maintaining the intimacy of small groups with a focus on education and engaged giving.