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Andando's Year In Review

- Over 500 women in our garden programs, increasing nutrition and boosting income by 25%
- Three schools constructed serving over 700 students
- 50% increase in test scores in our partner schools
- Two rural health posts constructed for those with little access to healthcare
- Over 1000 students receiving a nutritious breakfast everyday at school
- Over 3000 people benefitting from solar energy installations



From the Director-

YOU have made a huge difference this year, transforming communities half a world away.

We often see things happening around the world and ask ourselves, "but what can I do?" Well, you have answered that call and it has changed the lives of people like garden member Diareye Thiam and Nene Sy and her community - hear what they have said on page two.

By walking together with those we partner with, we aim to affirm dignity, build hope, and empower others on the path toward real, sustainable change. Focusing on the growth of the whole village - water, health, education, agriculture, and small business - together we are building thriving communities in Senegal.

2017 promises to be an even better year with more programs and initiatives benefitting hundreds more people in rural areas around Senegal.

None of this could happen without the generosity of your investment, but to do even more, we need your help! *Please consider making a donation to Andando today and have the effects felt halfway across the globe.* Your contribution makes these programs possible, and the Senegalese send along a BIG "Jere Jef!" - Thank You!

Sincerely,

Lewis Kiker
Executive Director
Andando

Initiatives That Change Lives

The programs built by you create real change in communities, just ask those who are impacted! Madame Diareye Thiam, a leader in the Ngor Marone Market Garden, has been involved in our garden program for several years. She has benefitted from a boost in income, and her family has received a huge rise in their nutritional options at home.

“Andando has done so much for the women of Keur Soce! My work in the garden has allowed me to earn an income to provide for myself, my children, and my grandchildren. Andando is an NGO like no other, because it helps women to be financially independent.

“We work in the gardens to use some of what we produce to be healthy and the other part will be used to sell, to allow us an income. This helps us to have savings, maintaining the needs of the family and reinvesting part of the income into other commercial activities.

Thiam’s grandchildren also attend primary school in the community, and she is grateful for the assistance they receive.



“Andando helps to feed the children at the school, helping them to learn all day. They also help the students and teachers with teaching materials, textbooks, and so on. This will help the students and the community for years to come.”

With your help, we were also able to construct rural health posts this year, that serve communities with little access to healthcare. Nene Sy (left) is the head nurse and midwife at Sama Toucouleur Health Post. This health post opened just a few months ago, and started creating a healthier community immediately, seeing patients every day for routine care, consultations, vaccination clinics, and labor and delivery.

On a recent visit, Sy told us that “there have been dozens of babies born here already, and women are healthier and happier than before. We started working hard as soon as the doors opened, and it has already made a huge impact in our community.”

We have made some incredible impacts this year, and yet the needs are vast. People like Nene Sy are ready to take them head-on, they just need a little investment and encouragement on our part.

These programs are making a real impact in Senegal and we are excited about the direction we are headed together. But to do even more, we need your help! Please consider making a donation to Andando today. We rely on the generosity of our supporters to keep these vital initiatives going. To give today, just use the enclosed envelope, or go online at www.andando.org/donate/. With the end of the year approaching quickly, please remember that **Andando is a certified 501(c)(3) organization which means every dollar you give to The Andando Foundation is completely tax-deductible! Thank You!**