



# ANDANDO

## December 2017

### Andando's Year In Review

- 1500 women working in our garden programs, increasing nutrition and boosting income by 25%
- Two rural health posts constructed serving 10,000 people with little access to healthcare
- Three schools constructed serving over 700 students
- 50% increase in test scores in our partner schools
- Over 1000 students receiving a nutritious breakfast everyday at school
- More than 5000 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 Aida Niang and her community - hear what she has to say 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.

2018 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



## Initiatives That Change Lives

The programs built by you create real change in communities, just ask those who are impacted! Aida Niang has been working in the Sama Toucouleur Garden for the past couple 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 changed my life, my status, and my profession. With Andando, I became an entrepreneurial woman. I had previously had no economic occupation, I always stayed at home without doing anything and I had much difficulty supporting my family, my husband and my children.

“Now, all the women of Sama Toucouleur feel the happiness in their faces, because Andando has brought change on the social, health, educational and agricultural level.

“In terms of health, Andando has made a health post at Sama Toucouleur allowing women to receive medical services before and during pregnancy, in delivery, and even after. Then, we bring our children when they are suffering from any disease, because treatment and medical visits are done without difficulty.

“They also work for the education of our kids, and Andando supports our schools by building classes. Further, with the children getting breakfast every day at school, this helps parents save and their children to thrive.



“It can be said that Andando participates in changing the quality of life of the population of all of Keur Soce. When I started working in the garden, I became more worthy as I work there and earn my living. Before this, I solicited help everywhere to try to solve some of my needs, but with Andando, I regained my dignity. Everything depends on a good plan and the will to do it. Regarding the future of the project, we must keep working to perpetuate the activities of the garden. We will also train our children on the different techniques of the market garden. This will ensure the long-term sustainability of activities and the project.”

We have made some incredible impacts this year, and yet the needs are vast. People like Aida Niang 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/](http://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!**