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A GUIDE TO GIVING 2011-12

MAKING A DIFFERENCE ... YOUR WAY

YOU HOLD IN YOUR HANDS A POWERFUL TOOL, A TOOL FOR GOOD. PLEASE USE IT WELL.

We are a nonprofit organization whose mission is to create a strong and vibrant community by connecting caring citizens with worthy community causes.

WE HELP MAKE IT EASY FOR YOU TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR WORLD THE WAY YOU CHOOSE.

We vet the local charities we feature (with budgets below \$3 million), examine their efficiency and effectiveness and, if they pass muster, connect them with neighbors who want to help.

WE DO THIS AT NO COST TO THE LOCAL NON-PROFITS AND WE CHARGE NO FEE TO OUR DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS.

We are a philanthropic organization and we raise funds separately to support our work and bring our vision to life.

WHY GET INVOLVED?

In the years ahead, even the most worthwhile nonprofits will be starved for government support and left to scramble for limited public and private funds – particularly small, local groups like the ones we feature here that provide after-school arts for children, shelter for battered women, food for the homeless, medical attention for the sick, counsel for the despairing, and much more. In many respects they keep our community together.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Our community needs us. With this catalogue as a guide, you can:

- Make a contribution or offer to volunteer your time. Use our Giving Form, visit our website, cfp-dc.org, or contact directly the organizations we feature, so you can invest in what works.
- Get your family involved. Kids earn community service hours and learn the importance of giving back.
- Spread the word to your friends and neighbors. Pass this catalogue along, tell your friends about our website, or just share your concern about our community's needs.
- Connect your company: use our corporate portal to get your employees engaged in their communities. Ask us how!

HOW WE HELP YOU CHOOSE:

Here is how we make your charitable dollar and volunteer time go far: 115 reviewers from large and small foundations, corporations, giving circles, and peer nonprofits evaluate Catalogue applicants for distinction, merit, and impact. (Find a list of our evaluators on page 64.) Every listed charity has been successfully “site visited.” Our auditors assess the financials of each finalist: cost-effectiveness and financial transparency are critical.

Whatever you do to help, and however you do it, you will be strengthening our community and making a difference in people's lives.

THANK YOU

The Catalogue Team



HUMAN SERVICES

Atlas Service Corps

WISH LIST: \$100: training visa fee for 1 Fellow; \$1000: enrollment in Atlas's Nonprofit Management Series; \$1500: roundtrip ticket for 1 Fellow to travel to the US and home



Atlas Corps truly has a far-reaching mission: to create a network of global "changemakers." While over 300 other fellowship programs send American leaders and scholars abroad, Atlas Corps recruits talented international non-profit leaders to serve in US organizations – 80% of which are located in Washington, DC. Atlas Corps provides the crucial (and complex) financial and visa



structure and determines the fellowship finalists; the US Host Organizations then choose from among them. Last year, competition was steep, with 1,000 candidates from 75 countries (representing five continents and every major religious faith) applying for just 20 places. Once in the States, Fellows provide unique perspective, language skills, and expertise, while building their own leadership ability and sharing best practices at organizations such as GlobalGiving, Oxfam, World Wildlife Fund, and the US Peace Corps. And the Nonprofit Management Series ensures that Fellows have the opportunity to discuss and debate effective practices in the field. Named a Top 10 International Voluntary Service Program, Atlas Corps is in the business of crossing borders and empowering new leaders.

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Make a difference in your world
the way you choose.
It's easy.

Make a contribution, donate your
time, get the kids involved.
We're here to help.

Use this Catalogue, visit our website,
or contact our featured charities directly.

Spread the word. Tell your friends about
us and share this Catalogue with them.

Together we will create a more vibrant
community here in our nation's capital.



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