



International Merit Box Project Distribution 2015

The International Merit Box Project brings together an international community of practitioners who wish to foster their daily practice of generosity while helping Lama Zopa Rinpoche fund beneficial projects worldwide. The international success of the Merit Box Project is reason for great rejoicing and a true testament to the collective generosity of the FPMT community.

"When we practice generosity, we are applying the exact antidote to attachment."
-Lama Zopa Rinpoche

Genuine heartfelt appreciation goes out to all our Merit Box practitioners whose generosity provided the funding for these grants, and to the Merit Box Coordinators who have worked so hard to make this beneficial project a success.

The offerings distributed for 2015 from the Merit Box Project Fund amounted to US\$52,000. We received 19 grant proposals totaling US\$129,175 from various centers, projects and initiatives, and have awarded 14 grants.

Organization	Project	Grant Amt
Buddha House, AUS	Statue Project	US\$8,950
Foundation for the Development of Compassion and Wisdom, UK	The 16 Guidelines website translation into French and Spanish	US\$5,000
Gendun Drubpa Center, Canada	Stupa for World Peace and Environmental Harmony	US\$5,000
International Mahayana Institute, France	Support for Sangha to Attend Retreats with Lama Zopa Rinpoche	US\$4,000
Langri Tangpa Center, AUS	Stand for the Stupa of Inta McKimm	US\$850
Lama Yeshe Wisdom Archive, USA	Lama Yeshe's Gyalwa Gyatso Teachings	US\$5,000
Milarepa Center, USA	Yama Toilet Meditation Project	US\$500
Maitreya Instituut, Netherlands	Ganapati Statue Fund	US\$5,000
Courthouse Community Center (Jamyang), UK	Repaying the Kindness Project	US\$1,000
FPMT Europe	FPMT Europe Office Fund	US\$2,500
International Office, USA	Online Learning Center Funding	US\$3,200
International Office, USA	Grant for Osel Labrang	US\$5,000
Maitripa College, USA	James A. Blumenthal Library Project	US\$3,000
Maitripa College, USA	Mindfulness & Compassion Initiative, Pilot Phase	US\$3,000
Total		US\$52,000

For additional information about the International Merit Box Project, please contact meritbox@fpmt.org. As part of the 2015 grant process, we are asking grantees to complete a progress report so we can rejoice in the latest Merit Box-funded successes with our friends throughout the year.