

## International Merit Box Project Distribution 2011

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 those who have practiced generosity in 2011 and to the Merit Box Coordinators who have worked so hard to make this beneficial project a success.

The offerings distributed for 2011 from the Merit Box Project Fund amounted to approximately \$60,000. We received 29 grant proposals totaling \$133,000 from various centers and projects and have awarded 19 grants.

Center/Service	Project	Grant Amount
FPMT Education Department	Course and Materials Development	\$8,000
Ganden Tendar Ling	Russian FPMT Library	\$4,000
Gendun Drubpa Buddhist Center	Shakyamuni Buddha Statue	\$1,000
Guhyasamaja Center	Building Fund	\$3,000
Land of Calm Abiding	Propane for Heaters	\$3,000
Langri Tangpa Centre	White Dzambala and 4 Dakini Statues	\$1,000
Lama Yeshe Wisdom Archive	Publication of "Big Love"	\$5,000
Loving Kindness Peaceful Youth	Positive Habits Connect Project	\$4,000
Maitripa College	Library Project	\$4,000
Mandala Publications	Free Mandala for Prisoners	\$4,100
Milarepa Center	Tiny House 2	\$5,000
Osel Labrang	Office Support	\$5,000
Osel Support Fund	Support	\$4,400
Tong-nyi Nying-je Ling	Meditation for Children Book in Danish	\$2,000
Vajrapani Institute	Create a Home for Kangyur	\$1,000
Vajrapani Institute	Lama Yeshe Statue	\$1,000
Vajrapani Institute	Winter Retreat for Staff	\$500
Vajra Yogini Institute	Mani Wheel Project	\$4,000
	Total Disbursements	\$60,000

For additional information about the International Merit Box Project, please contact <u>meritbox@fpmt.org</u>. As part of the 2011 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.