



Dear Friends of Partnering for Progress:

As many of you know, we have a new part-time Executive Director starting July 24. **Dia Maurer** comes to Partnering for Progress with a strong background working as a past Executive Director for two non-profit organizations in Spokane. Her grant writing experience, strong leadership skills and organizational development will ensure that P4P continues to expand in providing services that truly make a difference in the developing world.

Dia has successfully worked to improve the lives of the impoverished locally, we are most certain she will find new and inventive ways for P4P to aid those in Kenya. She possesses an incredible reserve of energy and an insight into working with those who are underserved. We believe Dia embodies the core beliefs we adopted as our guiding principles. She will bring empowerment, collaboration, commitment, accountability and sustainability to P4P as we move forward.

As Co-Directors, we welcome Dia and look towards the future. We want to thank all of you for your continued support over the last five years in helping grow P4P into the organization it is today. Your help has seen P4P mature from a desire and vision into a non-profit that makes a measurable difference. We are now a strong and viable philanthropic organization that has impacted the quality of the lives for many people in rural Kenya.

In addition, our lives are changed immeasurably through our experiences with Partnering for Progress. The people we encounter in Kenya have given us a greater compassion and understanding of the suffering of others. And we feel humbled by the dedication of the P4P volunteers and the openness and gift of friendship by the Kopanga Community.

Team travels to Kopanga, Kenya, have demonstrated how the state of poverty, inadequate health care and lack of educational opportunity influences not only the individual, but also trickles down into the local community and affects the nation as a whole.

Our work with Partnering for Progress reflects how an organization with a strong family of supporters and partnerships can work together to tackle some of these inequities. We are firm in our belief that by thinking globally and working together locally to develop strong partnerships, the people in the Kopanga and Griebe region will be empowered to dream, build and sustain the changes that they desire.

Director. This is an exciting new direction for P4P and we are glad that you will be a part of our future.

Sandy Ivers and Stacey Mainer, Co-Executive Directors

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