

STUDENTS HELPING STUDENTS in HAITI

SAMPLE DONATION LETTER

THIS IS JUST A SAMPLE!

You don't even *have* to send out donation letters, but if you wanted to, I figured I'd give you an example of one! Feel free to copy & paste my sample, but I would really encourage you to change some of the wording to make it more personal (people always love things that are genuine and personal!). Or feel free to write your own letter. But either way (and this is important!), please only send letters to relatives, friends, or close family-friends; **DO NOT** send donation letters to strangers!

Dear {FAMILY MEMBER/FRIEND},

I wanted to let you know about an amazing opportunity I have to raise support for a school in Haiti. There's a Christian worship band called M.Fillmore (www.mfillmore.com/haiti) that partnered with a Christian non-profit organization called SMI Haiti Ministries (www.smihaiti.org) to raise money to start a school in a remote village in Haiti. Their goal is to raise \$20,000 to start the school by Fall of 2011. The school will provide education for about 150 kids in a village called Guitton.

The band, M.Fillmore, started a program called "Students Helping Students in Haiti", a campaign searching for students in America to raise money for students in Haiti. I have committed to raise as much money as I can to give the kids in the village of Guitton, Haiti, an opportunity for an education that they would otherwise not receive.

Since M.Fillmore has partnered with the non-profit organization, SMI Haiti, **all donations are tax-deductible** (checks can be made payable to "SMI Haiti/Guitton School"). SMI Haiti has been working in Haiti for nearly 15 years and 100% of the money donated will go directly towards the work on the ground in Haiti to help start this school. To learn more about SMI Haiti and their work in Haiti, visit their website (www.smihaiti.org).

So, I'm asking you to consider joining me in my effort to raise money for this school in Haiti. Please understand that even the smallest amount will go a long way in Haiti. If you are able to make a donation of any amount, please write a check made payable to "SMI Haiti/Guitton School" and mail it back to me:

{YOUR NAME}

{YOUR ADDRESS}

{CITY}, {STATE} {ZIP CODE}

Thank you so much for joining me in this,

{YOUR NAME}