



International Merit Box Project Distribution 2010

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 who have practiced generosity in 2010 and to the Merit Box Coordinators who have worked so hard to make this beneficial project a success.

The offerings distributed for 2010 from the Merit Box Project Fund amounted to \$78,200. We received 20 grant proposals from various centers and projects and have awarded 17 grants.

Below is a list of the projects that received funding from the 2010 Merit Box Project.

Center/Project and Grant Amount (in alphabetical order)

Center /Project/Service	Project	Grant Amount
Editions Vajra Yogini	Publishing <i>Steps of the Path to Enlightenment, Volume One</i> by Geshe Lhundup Sopa in French	\$5,000
Foundation for Developing Compassion and Wisdom	Art and Ethics, a program for young people	\$5,000
FPMT Education Services	<i>Service as a Path to Enlightenment</i> and <i>Lama Chopal Jorcho</i>	\$4,000
FPMT International Office	Most Secret Hayagriva Statue	\$1,684
FPMT Puja Fund	Ongoing Pujas for FPMT	\$2,000
Istituto Lama Tzong Khapa	Masters Program	\$12,000
Lama Yeshe Wisdom Archive	Big Love (Lama Yeshe's biography)	\$5,000
Land of Calm Abiding	Retreatant Support	\$3,000
Loving Kindness Peaceful Youth	Online HABITS Program	\$3,500
Maitripa College	Library Development	\$5,000
Milarepa Center	Stupa Ornamentation	\$3,000
Mandala Publications	Magazine Subscriptions for Prisoners	\$4,200
Online Learning Center Fund	Video Teachings Development	\$2,000
Osel Education Fund	Osel's Education	\$10,500
Repaying the Kindness, a project of Jamyang Buddhist Centre	Meditation for Carers Program	\$5,000
Vajrapani Institute	Lama Yeshe Statue	\$5,000
Ven. Freeman Trebilcock	New Youth Program Research	\$2,316
	Total Disbursements	\$78,200

For additional information about the International Merit Box Project, including how to apply for 2011 funding, please contact meritbox@fpmt.org. As part of the 2010 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.