Merit Box Distribution 2007

The Merit Box is a wonderful tool to develop our practice of generosity and help Lama Zopa Rinpoche to fund valuable projects which fulfill Rinpoche's amazing vision. This provides the opportunity for rejoicing on many levels!

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

Over the past year, the Merit Box Project evolved again by requesting grant proposals from all the FPMT centers, study groups, and projects. We also continued to send kits to coordinators and participants around the world in 27 different countries.

Genuine heartfelt appreciation goes out to all who have participated and to the Merit Box Coordinators who have worked so hard to make this beneficial project a success.

The offerings distributed for 2007 from Merit Box Project Fund amounted to $89,998.

11 different centers submitted 15 grant proposals. 11 centers and projects will be receiving grants. Below is a list of the projects that have received funding so far.

- Chenrezig Institute, Garden Of Enlightenment, $5,000
- Land of Calm Abiding $10,000
- FPMT Puja Fund $10,000
- Langri Tangpa Centre Buddha Statue $5,000
- Land of Medicine Buddha $18,000
- Ganden Tendar Ling Study Group Discovering Buddhism Translation$10,000
- Maitripa Institute $7,000
- Mandala Magazine $6,666
- International Office, preparing for FPMT's international meeting, CPMT 2009 - $6,666
- International Office, updating the FPMT Handbook for centers and projects - $6,666
- **Lelung Tulku Foundation $5,000**

PLEASE REJOICE STRONGLY FOR THESE VIRTUOUS PROJECTS AND THE PEOPLE THAT DONATED TO SUPPORT THEIR SUCCESS!

For additional information, please contact The Merit Box Project.

Attention Centers/Study Groups/Projects: If you are interested in applying for a grant for the 2008 Merit Box cycle, please contact Chuck Latimer at chuck@fpmt.org for information. Priority will be given to centers participating in the Merit Box project.

*Information about the Merit Box Project and many other projects can be found at
http://www.fpmt.org/projects/