

Merit Box Distribution 2008

The Merit Box is a wonderful practice 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

The Merit Box Project continued to evolve by completing the translation of the practice into 11 different languages. Merit Box is continuing to request grant proposals from all the FPMT centers, study groups, and projects. We sent kits to coordinators and participants around the world in 33 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 2008 from Merit Box Project Fund amounted to \$53,500.

18 different centers submitted 21 grant proposals. 10 centers and projects will be receiving grants. Below is a list of the projects that have received funding from the 2008 Campaign.

Center	Project	Amount
Foundation for Developing Compassion and Wisdom	Essential Education	\$5,000
International Mahayana Institute	Light of the Path Sangha Retreat	\$5,000
Lama Zopa Rinpoche's International Office	Hayagriva Statue	\$4,500
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Kadampa Center	Light of the Path Retreat	\$5,000
Lama Yeshe Wisdom Archive	Big Love Book	\$5,000
Maitri Leprosy Center	General Support for the center	\$5,000
Maitripa College	Library Fund	\$5,000
The Great Stupa of Universal Compassion	Jade Statue Tour	\$5,000
FPMT Puja Fund	Pujas for all of FPMT as needed	\$5,000
FPMT Spain	Spanish Translation Group	\$2,500
FPMT Brazil	Brazil Translation Group	\$2,500

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 2009 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/>