Global Paint for Charity

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Global Paint for Charity Newsletter

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Letter from the President

Dear Friends,

Record hurricanes, tornadoes, flooding, and destruction of lives and property have taken an almost incomprehensible toll on our world over the last few months. Our prayers, thoughts, and support go out to everyone affected by these terrible events.

Since 2010, Global Paint for Charity (GPC) has worked together with commercial businesses, residential households, and not-for-profit organizations to recycle, repackage, and distribute unwanted paint throughout the world. All around the world we have noticed the immediate positive impact of color in bringing hope and happiness to poor communities. It's estimated that 80 percent of the world's homes and schools face the dreary reality of un-painted walls in underprivileged communities, and more than 70 million children have never had access to a painted classroom. While there may be more pressing issues in developing countries than a neglected wall, building, or dusty classroom, we believe that the right color in homes and classrooms can truly change the atmosphere of their environment and even livelihoods.

Although Global Paint for Charity has donated paint to support our major projects in Liberia, Cameroon, Equatorial Guinea, Ghana, Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo, Haiti, Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Mexico, Dominican Republic, Guyana and Jamaica, we still have a lot more work to do, and we need your help! While getting people and businesses to donate paint isn't a problem, but collecting, mixing, repackaging and shipping the paint requires a lot of funding. With just a small monetary donation from people like you, and a little help from the corporations and private firms, we can make a real difference around the world by helping to eradicate the causes and effects of poverty, as well as provide a sanitation solution. For instance, the mold, bacteria and dangerous germs found on unpainted walls have a disproportionately negative effect on health outcomes, which killed more than 6 million people in poorer communities per year. Our paint donation program protected lives and reduced the death rate by nearly 40 percent. It is our continued mission to bring color, hope, unity, peace, and happiness to regions around the world.

As you read our fall 2017 Newsletter we hope you will consider supporting us this holiday season. Your donation can help us in so many ways! We can provide buckets for re-packaging donated paint, cover transportation and shipping costs, and create life-changing opportunities through our micro-finance program. Seeing the smiles on the faces of every person we help through our programs is a great joy for me--whether it is a millennial who needed to complete multiple hours of community service, or an elderly widow who needed assistance in face-lifting her property. Thank you for making this possible and for your unwavering commitment to the work ahead. With your help this holiday season, we can brighten our world one gallon of paint at a time.

Please simply visit the following link to donate what you can this holiday season and throughout the next year: http://globalpaints.org/donate.php. All donations are tax deductible. Todas las donaciones son deducibles de impuestos. Tous les dons sont fiscalement deductibles conformement a la loi.

Warmest Regards,

Rony S. Delgarde

40 Foot Container of 4000 Gallons of Paint Arrived in Liberia

Early this year, a 40 foot container loaded with over 4000 gallons of processed paint was sent to Liberia, West Africa. The container arrived at Monrovia port in April, and the recipients were so grateful. The paint had been collected from residents and businesses, and included Ralph Lauren, PPG, Benjamin Moore, Sher-win Williams, Behr, Glidden, Valspar to name a few, and has a Fair Market Value of $160,000. Our team and volunteers received the paint, and below is a letter they sent to us.

"We received the 15 pallets of containing 4,125 gallons of assorted colors of paint last Friday, April 14th, 2017. I will send you photographs of buildings to be painted and off loading of the paint. We are organizing to commence painting the Science building, Firestone Quadrangle, Agriculture College building and girls' dorm. Attached herewith are some photographs. Thanks a million for this kind gesture. It will make our campuses look like what they should be...University Liberia campuses."

Rony Delgarde was fortunate to meet Dr. Al-Hassan Conteh, the former President of the University of Liberia and Ambassador of Liberia, Nigeria, Benin and Equatorial Guinea, where both (Rony and Al-Hassan) were asked to serve in a panel with several entrepreneurs and prominent leaders in West Africa in 2013. Rony discovered while on his visit to the continent, that there was an urgent need for paint, and made a donation to Dr. Conteh. who agreed to serve as GPC Goodwill Ambassador in West Africa, and we are very grateful to him for doing so. We also wish to extend our gratitude to four other prominent and distinguished University of Liberia Alumni and Presidents, including the current Vice President, Mrs. Weade Kobbah-Wureh, and the Division and Professor at Morehouse College, Dr. Juliet U. Elu, Ph.D. MBA. MPA. for helping us establish what will be a great relationship in Africa, and to Rony Delgarde for his dedication and generous support. Stay tuned for full details about the progress and life-improvement programs in the regions.

Founder & CEO, Rony Delgarde Donated 500 Gallons to *Dr. Bernice King*, Daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for the Renovation of the King Center.

It was our honor to donate 500 gallons of paint to renovate the King Center in Atlanta. The King Center celebrated its 50th anniversary this year, honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, one of the greatest civil rights leaders of our time. The causes Dr. King fought for then are still some of the most pressing issues of our time: equal education, equality, racial and social injustice, and economic opportunity.

Our donation of the paint represents our gratitude and appreciation, and is to pay tribute to the civil rights leader. Painting is an art form that uses color to enhance and beautify, and we hope that the paint will contribute to the re-beautification of the Center, serve to support the spirit and dreams of Dr. King, and to educate others to carry on his legacy. To support the King Center, visit www.thekingcenter.org.

All of us at Global Paint for Charity want to thank Dr. Bernice King, daughter of the civil rights leader, and the King Center staff. A specific note of gratitude goes out to Tangela Gray, who contacted us about the paint donation three months ago.

"Rony! Thank you so much for stopping by to deliver and present the paint that was donated to The King Center. Thanks a million for the donation – it's a huge blessing and millions will see the beauty your generous donation will bring." *Dr. Bernice King*

LARGE DONATION SPOTLIGHT

Nashua Wallpaper & Paint Company in New Hampshire Donated 5000 Gallons

We are thrilled and delighted to receive a large donation of Latex Paint from Nashua Wallpaper and Paint Company in Manchester, New Hampshire. “Nashua Wallpaper and Paint Co.” is an independent Benjamin Moore paint retail store serving the Nashua, Manchester, and Concord, New Hampshire communities. The Company generously donated over 5000 gallons of paint to support our Basic School Beautification Program in West Africa. The paint was shipped to West Africa prior to last summer and it will be used to renovate, rejuvenate, and beautify schools and family homes in underprivileged communities.

All of us at Global Paint for Charity want to thank the Nashua, Manchester and Concord, New Hampshire Retail Store Managers, and to extend our personal gratitude to Denis Depelteau, Vice President of Operations, who contacted us about the paint donation around March of this year. While it may not seem like a big deal to them, it does to us. We cannot do what we love without the support and donations from people and companies like Nashua Wallpaper and Paint Co. Thank you!!

Mars Hill Hardware Store in North Carolina Donated 1000+ Gallons

We are so grateful to have received a large donation of Latex Paint as well as a monetary contribution from Mars Hill Hardware Store in Mars Hill, North Carolina. Mars Hill Hardware is a locally and family-owned hardware, equipment rental, and appliances store, and is “The Home Depot in Mars Hill,” where local residents can order anything they need to complete their home repair projects.

The Hardware Store generously donated more than 1000 gallons of new Benjamin Moore paint to support our cause. The paint was donated to the Hudson Hill Outreach Ministries in Chauncey, Georgia. Hudson Hill Ministries is a nonprofit, residential, faith-based rehab treatment facility, and is a 60 year old campus with six existing residential housing units, as well as a full service cafeteria building, and three small multipurpose buildings. The Ministries will turn all the facilities into a residential community that will house over 100 men and families to help them recover from drug and alcohol addiction, teach them Godly discipleship and fellowship, and pro-vide job training to help them recover from financial difficulties.

According to the Hudson Hill Outreach Ministries Leaders, the paint is a blessing from God “Even though we consider ourselves extremely fortunate to be in these facilities, we are in desperate need of a facelift and beautification. It is our goal to see broken men’s lives changed for the glory of God, and to provide a man with a safe, vivid, clean, and Christian environment during his time in our program.” Pete

We hope that the paint will bring comfort and uplift the spirits of the people living in the area. All of us at Global Paint for Charity want to thank the Mars Hill Hardware Store staff, and, most importantly, Mary Sue Jenkins, Manager, who contacted us about the paint donation last year. Rony Delgarde drove up to Mars Hill, North Carolina to collect the paint donation and re-offer it to the Hudson Hill Outreach Ministries Leaders at no fees.

“Helping people and companies like Mars Hill Hardware Store and Hudson Hill Outreach Ministries is what I enjoy doing at Global Paint for Charity. It is a win-win for everyone!!” Rony Delgarde

Global Paint for Charity is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization, is now accepting un-wanted Latex Paint up to 10 years old, which in most cases would be headed into landfills and then our drinking water. Instead, the paint is donated through various channels for the purposes of construction, rejuvenation and beautification of schools, churches, orphanages, hospitals and family homes in poor communities around the world. Everyone can play a role and contribute to the success of our free paint programs. Your monetary contributions and donations are tax-deductible, and so much appreciated

Ongoing Projects

Our Volunteers Distributed Paint after Hurricane Destruction

After the hurricanes and earthquakes left a path of destruction and loss in many countries around the world, Global Paint was thrilled to mobilize its volunteer base to assist communities in need. These volunteers went to areas where homes in entire neighborhoods were destroyed, and distributed paint and safety items, as well as painted for those who needed to uplift their houses, schools and churches. Our volunteers have painted five basic schools and seven churches, and 200 family members have received paint for their homes so that they can continue their lives in a brighter, healthier environment. Many who suffered through these natural disasters are thankful for the paint, and say that all our bright colors will bring them hope and happiness.

From all of us at Global Paint for Charity, THANK YOU!! Your donated paint and supplies make a genuine difference during this important time. It will take months, even years for the devastated communities to rebuild and replace what has been lost. We know our goals are ambitious, but we also know that we can help many more communities affected by terrible flooding and hurricanes along the East Coast of the U.S., as well as many needy villages in Central America and Caribbean. We would like to see those colors bring comfort, hope and happiness to all those affected by natural disasters and poverty, especially after the TV cameras have moved on, and many people may have forgotten. We will not forget-- we know that bright colors on walls will comfort those in need every day, and after the sun sets, they can awaken to a new day, knowing that someone cares.

Please help us stop paint from going into landfills, and consider making a donation to support our projects. Visit us online at www.globalpaints.org/donate. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and the blog on our website to learn about exciting updates about our programs.

Volunteers Beautify Local Basic Schools in Ghana

Yes we can! Si, se puede! Oui nous pouvons! It can be done! We are so grateful for our team and volunteers in West Africa! A year ago, we launched the " Basic Schools Beautification Programs in Africa," and hope that all underserved people, including children and adults, may live, grow, learn, and teach in a very comfortable and newly painted community one day. Our team and volunteers are getting started, and many basic schools in Ghana have received some paint from our free paint programs, and many classrooms, staff common rooms, play & parade grounds, libraries, and sport centers have been painted.

And guess who is painting the schools? Local youth and adults were hired to paint their communities! They are very excited, and are learning new skills--what a feeling, and an amazing experience! Many years from today, they will remember their collective effort in making a difference in their community. Stay tuned, we will share more photos soon. Help us teach them how to fish, not just feed them fish!!

Global Paint is expanding to other West African Countries, and is working with representatives in Benin, Senegal, Kenya, Mali, Nigeria, Cameroon, South Africa, Congo, and other NGOs (Non-Governmental Organizations) in West Africa to execute a range of projects to change lives and beautify essential structures of Basic schools and local entities. Now we want to expand the programs throughout the entire continent. Our goal is to be able to paint approximately 8000 schools in 12 countries by 2025. With your support and generosity, we can do more and will do more. Please consider what you can do to help us obtain more paint and supplies to help those in great need-- not just in West Africa but around the world!

PAST EVENTS

Our International Painting Day Was a Great Success

The 2nd Annual International Painting Day Celebration was a great success. It was one of the most incredible activities taking place in many countries around the world-- more than several thousand people in 19 countries gathered together to paint in their community from April 22 - May 22. People from all walks of life, including public officials, world leaders, corporate executives, lawyers, doctors, pastors, judges, teachers, youth, and adults joined together to paint and clean up in their communities. Many volunteers expressed that it was a valuable and rewarding experience to paint for the first time, and stated that they plan to do more in their neighborhoods to keep their communities beautiful.

In Atlanta, we celebrated the International Painting Day with 60 volunteers turning out to paint at the Peachtree/Pine Homeless Shelter Atlanta on May 20th. It has been an honor to partner with the Atlanta Taskforce for the Homeless for the past 4 years, and every year we have had a large volunteer service day at the homeless shelter. We not only donated 100's of gallons of paint to renovate and beautify the building, which is very important for the comfort and morale of the homeless who are living there, but we also cleaned their rooms, meeting rooms, dining room, kitchen, and living rooms. This year, we served the residents food, and also taught them new skills, such as painting, renovating and safety. Next year, we are looking forward to having more volunteers help us beautify the new shelter for the homeless. Please visit www.globalpaints.org or call 855-853-7772 to get involved!

A special thank you goes out to all volunteers and the City of Atlanta officials who volunteered to help paint, and all the Atlanta Police Officers who made sure that the event ran smoothly, safely and promptly.

UPCOMING EVENT

Save the Date for 5th Annual America Recycles Day

Please join The Global Paint for Charity and Solid Waste and Recovered Materials Division on Saturday, November 18, 2017, from 9 am –12 pm, at Coolray Field, home of the Gwinnett Braves (2500 Buford Dr, Lawrenceville, GA 30043). This free event will feature paint collection (no paint thinners, stains, spackle, oil paint cans, rusted paint cans, or dried-up paint), free paper shredding (limit five copier paper boxes), electronics recycling ($10 cash fee per TV and Monitor, $5 cash fee per printer), tire recycling (limit eight tires per vehicle; no dealer tires), and toner/printer cartridge collection. In addition, bring your old sneakers and gently used clothing to be donated to those in need or to be recycled into new products. Residents will enjoy free kids' activities, touch-a-truck, and will have the opportunity to meet their haulers.

As usual, bring the whole family out-- we will have many activities at the Gwinnett Braves Parking lots, including face painting and arts, balloon animals, and more for the kids. Parents and Kids of all ages can enjoy learning about Global Paint for Charity, Gwinnett County's solid waste programs and other recycling programs in our community. Come meet and chat with our Board members, volunteers, students, city officials and supporters of our humble cause—we would love to see you!

Volunteer Opportunities:
Looking for some community service hours or want to volunteer to make a difference? Well this is the place to be!! Volunteers will be assigned to serve from 8:00am to 12:00pm to help collect paint donations, and 1:00pm to 4:00pm to help unload the collected paint at Global Paint's Center. To sign up as a volunteer for this event, please visit http://globalpaints.org/volunteer.php.

GLOBAL PAINT TEAM SPOTLIGHT

Meet Dr. James Tompkins (Chair of the Governance Committee)

James is the Director of the Corporate Governance Center at Kennesaw State University, and a Professor of Finance. James has been working with Boards and Senior Management in a variety of corporate governance consulting assignments since 1999. He has also served as the Corporate Governance expert witness and/or provided litigation support in several high profile cases including, among others, Enron, J.P. Morgan (London Whale), Diebold (accounting restatements), Colonial Banc Group (most expensive bank failure in U.S. history), PFG Group (most expensive insurance failure in Florida). In 2010, NACD's Directorship listed James as one of 34 "People to Watch" in corporate governance. His experience with Boards and top Management includes facilitating and developing optimal governance policies and practices. James also has international experience in governance and has designed and provided governance education in both Romania and Greece. He is an active academic researcher in corporate governance and corporate finance, and has authored both research papers and cases in these areas. James is "the GPC professor"

NEW BOARD MEMBER

Welcome Mr. Sam Tandon, MBA, Newest Board Member

Sam "gets business," and has 30+ years overall Global Business experience, including 15 + years in IT Software. Founder of 4 new ventures in different industries (Global Trade / Business Intelligence / IT software / Manufacturing). He successfully took his own start-up venture to an IPO, and listing it as a Publicly Traded Company. Sam is also actively involved in investing in new businesses, and judging business competition, as member and advisor to both private business and not -for-profit boards. On the Advisory Council Board of Saint Leo University (Donald R. Tapia – Business School). Lectures at EMORY University -- Executive-MBA program as a guest speaker, on Global scalability and Growth strategy for business. CEO Group Chairman, at Vistage (World's largest CEO organization), Private advisory board for CEO's and Business Owners.

Sam's better half is Dr. Ritu Shrivastava, who works at CDC and leads the Global Public Private Partnership program. They have 2 sons--the elder son graduated from MSU in Computer Science and works at GM, and the younger one is studying Mechanical Engineering at University of Toledo, Ohio.

AWARDS/NOMINATIONS

The Energy Globe Award 2017 for the United States

We are thrilled that Global Paint for Charity won the ENERGY GLOBE AWARD! With more than 178 participating countries and over 2,500 project submissions, the Energy Globe Award is today's most prestigious environmental prize worldwide. The Austrian Honorary Consul General, Mr. Ferdinand C. Seefried, hosted an exclusive ceremony to present the Energy Globe Award 2017 for the United States to Mr. Rony Delgarde, and the board of Global Paint for Charity. Congratulations! We are proud and grateful to have had a successful and growing organization in Atlanta for over 7 years and look forward to many more rewarding years ahead.

The Metro Atlanta Chamber E3 Awards Winner!

Special congratulations to Board Members Cliff Stanford, Vickie Irwin and Rony Delgarde, Founder and CEO of The Global Paint for Charity (GPC) who received The 2017 Metro Atlanta Chamber E3Awards| NEW VENTURE category for Startup, Small Enterprise or New Business that Advances Sustainability through Business Solutions. We are very grateful to the Metro Atlanta Chamber and their partners for not only supporting our effort, but for that distinguished award.

Whether you are a paint manufacturer, wholesaler, retailer or supplier, partnering with Global Paint for Charity can help strengthen your company's reputation in the community, win more customers and add sustainable returns to your existing business.

Choose a partnership that meets your goals.

For your convenience, we offer many different partnership types, and as well as multiple other opportunities to get involved with the Global Paint for Charity! The first step is determining which partnership best aligns with your company's social responsibility and eco-friendly goals.

Details on our partnership opportunities and supporting programs may be found on our website.

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