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Subject: MIT Recognition of FSILG Direct and IRDF Donors

Dear Alumni Corporation Presidents and Treasurers and FSILG Stakeholders,

As mentioned briefly at this morning AILG Plenary, FSILG-related giving for MIT fiscal year 2012 - which ended this past June 30th - is again very substantial. Here are the details.

FSILG Direct Donors.
In 2009, the MIT Alumni Association began the FSILG Direct Donor Recognition program. The number of FSILGs choosing to participate now stands at 24 chapters. These chapters reported that 1,486 alumni/ae donated directly to their chapters in the last fiscal year. Every donor, for this and the two preceding fiscal years, is listed at this web page.

Direct donors who are also members of MIT’s William Barton Rogers Society receive additional recognition in the Society’s Annual Report. (You can read more about the Society here). Please remember the donor names are furnished by the Alumni Treasurers of each participating chapter. They work hard, as we do, to make sure the lists are accurate and the donor wishes to be listed. However, if you do note an error, please let one of us or your Alumni Treasurer know and we will quickly correct it.

IRDF Donors.
For the past four decades the Independent Residence Development Fund (IRDF) has been part of the financial bedrock which sustains our FSILGs. Besides the low-interest loans for capital projects, the IRDF supports our FSILGs through grants in support of education and safety. Every FSILG housing MIT students has been a beneficiary of these grants. Several important FSILG community-wide initiatives have also been made possible by the IRDF. Today, we rely on the IRDF more than ever before.

So, taking a page from the initiative above, the Alumni Association developed a new IRDF Donor Recognition web site. For the second year in a row, over 800 generous alumni/ae are now listed. Because their gifts are made through MIT, IRDF donors also receive all the usual benefits that come from making a gift to the Institute. Other than Unrestricted Gifts, the IRDF already has the broadest donor base of any MIT fund. Let’s hope this recognition helps in encouraging even more to donate.

Thanks again to all of you who make this possible, and who work so hard on behalf of this remarkable FSILG community at MIT.

Sincerely,

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