Dear Alumni Corporation Presidents and Treasurers and FSILG Stakeholders,

FSILG-related giving for MIT fiscal year 2013 - which ended this past June 30th - is again very substantial. Here are some details.

**FSILG Direct Donors.**

In 2009, the MIT Alumni Association sought to provide an opportunity to thank and honor alumni donors who give directly to their Fraternity, Sorority, and Independent Living Group (FSILG) chapter. The result was the FSILG Direct Donor Recognition program. The number of FSILGs choosing to participate now stands at a record 25 chapters. For the fiscal year just ended, the Alumni Treasurers of these 25 chapters reported that 1,500 alumni/ae donated directly to their chapters in the last fiscal year. These contributions were made through a variety of ways. Examples include gifts made directly to the chapter’s alumni corporation, contributions to national headquarters, and donations sent via a Stewart Howe newsletter mailings or to the Society for the Preservation of Greek Housing. Every donor, for this and the three preceding fiscal years, is listed at [this web page](#).

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. The treasurers 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 another key part of the financial bedrock supporting our FSILGs. Besides the low-interest loans for capital projects, the IRDF supports our FSILGs through grants in support of education and safety. Several important FSILG community-wide initiatives have also been made possible by the IRDF, like the installation of the latest high speed computer networks for all the FSILGs housing MIT students. Today, we rely on the IRDF more than ever before.

So, taking a page from the initiative above, the Alumni Association Annual Fund developed a IRDF Donor Recognition web site. This year 787 individual alumni/ae donors set a new high water mark for IRDF contributions. 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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