

To Whom It May Concern:

How we got started... Our FFA Chapter wanted to take on a task that would impact the world. Mr. Beam, our advisor, presented the idea that maybe we could fund the building of a well in a foreign country. An officer on the officer team, Alison [REDACTED], had a passion for this idea, and she proceeded to research it and learn about all the different programs that would allow us to help build a well. After careful consideration she selected TheWaterProject.org as a worthy organization. The officer team discussed this project as a group and decided we'd make this dream a reality.

First things first, we had to decide the best way to get our whole school involved, not just our chapter. A school wide fund raiser would be nice, but with economic times being difficult we realized the thought of simply asking for donations may not get us very far. After careful brainstorming and much consideration we come up with "Well Week". "Well Week" would be a whole week that would be focused entirely on raising money to fund the building of a well in India. The week before the actual "Well Week" we started The Water Challenge. We showed the video of The Water Project to let people see how they could come up with money by drinking water. Students could save up their money and give it to their class in hopes of winning the first period challenge. During "Well Week" we held a challenge to all first periods. The first period challenge was designed to reward the first period class that raised the most money. Every class that raised \$125 or more received fresh Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. The first period that raised the most money would receive an FFA style breakfast consisting of: bacon, livermush, eggs, hash browns, etc.

The "Well Week" and The Water Challenge went better than expected. We had over 200 people sign up saying they would participate in the water challenge!!! That wasn't the only surprise; we raised a total of \$2,848.38!! Five classes raised at least \$125 and received the fresh Krispy Kreme Doughnuts for breakfast the following week. We had two classes that raised over \$400 each; since they raised more than any of the other classes we rewarded them both with the FFA style breakfast.

The opportunity to help others puts a joy in your heart like nothing else can. Our whole school was able to be apart of something that will forever change people's lives. We would like to thank you for using your time and effort for such a worthy cause. Because of your willingness to serve, many students throughout our school have gotten to experience that joy. We look forward to seeing the project completed, and hope to visit it one day.

Sincerely,

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