

The Unitarian Community Fund—help us keep the momentum going! NOV 2011

Dear friends:

Thank you to the many people who have so generously supported Project Harvest Hope (PHH) and our work for sustainable development in the Unitarian villages of Transylvania. Your contributions have made a tremendous difference for our fellow religionists half way around the world!

Witness the results of our most recent initiative. The Unitarian Community Fund, our recently established donor-advised fund with the [Szekelyudvarhely Community Foundation](#), provided matching grants to qualifying Unitarian villages and organizations for fourteen new community development projects this year. Recipients of these grants have accomplished a great deal:

- Marginalized youth in Korund and Palpatka now have a physical space to learn a trade from local craftspeople.
- ODFIE, the Unitarian youth organization, now has the financial resources to provide volunteer labor with materials to renovate a youth guesthouse in the village of Szind.
- The village newspaper in Benced now has the equipment and capacity to reach more people.
- Many Unitarian villages now have renovated community houses and restored public spaces in which to meet, converse and renew the bonds that are the foundation of civil society.

The sense of revitalization these projects have instilled in Transylvanian Unitarians is palpable. It is visible on every face, as you can see in our [photo gallery](#) of pictures taken as the villagers worked together to translate their dreams into reality. **But there is so much more to be done.**

Other villages and organizations have dreams and visions as well. Earlier this year, the Unitarian Community Fund received worthy applications for funding of more than \$100,000. We had just \$40,000 available. That is why we need your help.

In 2012, we would like to assist another dozen or so villages with matching grants. To do this we want to raise another \$40,000. [Will you help with a contribution?](#)

Our continuing efforts to nurture the bonds of trust, mutual respect and the common good in the Unitarian communities of Transylvania simply can not proceed without the participation of supporters like you.

On behalf of the PHH board and our partners in the Unitarian villages and communities of Transylvania, thank you for helping us keep the momentum going.

In Partnership and Faith,

Will Saunders, President