Dear Friends of Helping Hands,

On Sunday, November 4th, 2012 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, Dripping Springs Helping Hands, Inc. proudly presents the 15th Annual Empty Bowls Project that is one of Dripping Springs most valued family events of the year.

We have set our goals high for 2012 as the needs for less fortunate adults and children continue to increase in our community.

We would like to invite you personally to join us as a sponsor to help raise funds for our local food pantry, Helping Hands Inc.

Goals for 2012

We are reaching out to achieve 30 or more business/corporate sponsors and 30 or more individual sponsors for Empty Bowls Project through an understanding of the valuable services of Helping Hands. Please be one of those sponsors and let us add your name to the list!

We also hope to increase funds raised by Empty Bowls Project from $29,000 to $49,000 to secure more basic services for families in need. Let's give Helping Hands more resources to increase their assistance and meet the demands. Let's fill all empty bowls in our community.

Why are Helping Hands and the Empty Bowls Project so important to our community?

In 2011, Helping Hands provided food from their pantry to more than 13,700 people in the Dripping Springs ISD area. The Empty Bowls Project is a significant fundraiser for Helping Hands. In 2011, the Project raised $29,000 which represented more than 50% of the total annual budget for Helping Hands. For every bowl purchased, Helping Hands is able to provide one family with their weekly supply of groceries. Without the Empty Bowls fundraiser, Helping Hands could not provide for our neighbors in Dripping Springs who need support.

The 15th Annual Empty Bowls Project in Dripping Springs will be held at the lovely Sunset Canyon Pottery. Owners Bridget and Bill Hauser, who have hosted this event since its beginning 15 years ago, graciously provide 1,000 beautiful, unique bowls for the event. More than 20 restaurants from Dripping Springs to Austin will prepare and donate delicious soups for guests to enjoy while listening to local musicians.

As a sponsor of Empty Bowls Project - at any level - you will be supporting directly the Helping Hands Pantry and Financial Assistance Program with housing, utilities, and medical care for those who cannot afford such basic needs. Dripping Springs Helping Hands, Inc., is a 501(c)(3) organization so all gifts are tax deductible.

We hope you will be a part of making history with us as we strive to meet our goals by being a sponsor of the Empty Bowls Project. The needs are great and growing. But, the circle of helping hands is wide and generous.

Please mark your calendars for November 4th when we join for a fun, family day at the Empty Bowls Project at Sunset Canyon. Please bring a friend or two and enjoy!

Sincerely,

[Signatures]

June and Jim Baumoel
Barb and Bruce Mansur
Kristi and Paul Greene
Pun Nio, Nio Graphics, Inc.
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday, Nov. 4, 2012
11am to 3pm
Sunset Canyon Pottery

For more information please contact:
Kristi Greene
greenehouse@vownet.net

Make checks payable to:
Dripping Springs Helping Hands, Inc. – and thank you!

Mail form to:
Dripping Springs Helping Hands, Inc.,
Attn: Kristi Greene
P. O. Box 804
Dripping Springs, TX 78620

Sponsorship Response Form
Must be received by Sept. 20, 2012
for printing deadline

Name________________________________________
Name as you want to be recognized
____________________________________________________________________
Address________________________________________Phone_________________
Your Website___________________________  Email (Optional)___________________

For Celadon and Porcelain Sponsors, please send your logos (we will accept jpg, tif, eps files) to:
Carrie Isaac, carrie@jasonisaac.com

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Celadon
$1,500
One specially created commemorative bowl from Sunset Canyon Pottery
Name/Logo on banner 30 days prior to event
Name/Logo on Empty Bowls Project advertising poster
Web link from Dripping Springs Helping Hands website
Recognition at the event through table top signage and hourly announcements
Recognition in newspaper thank-you ad following Empty Bowls Project event

Porcelain
$1,000
One specially created commemorative bowl from Sunset Canyon Pottery
Name on banner 30 days prior to event
Name/Logo on Empty Bowls Project advertising poster
Web link from Dripping Springs Helping Hands website
Recognition at the event through table top signage and hourly announcements
Recognition in newspaper thank-you ad following Empty Bowls Project event

China
$750
One specially created commemorative bowl from Sunset Canyon Pottery
Name on Empty Bowls Project advertising poster
Web link from Dripping Springs Helping Hands website
Recognition in newspaper thank-you ad following event

Stoneware
$500
Certificate for two free soup bowls at Empty Bowls event
Name/Logo on Empty Bowls Project advertising poster
Web link from Dripping Springs Helping Hands website
Recognition in newspaper thank-you ad following event

Ironstone
$250
Certificate for one free soup bowl at Empty Bowls event
Web link from Dripping Springs Helping Hands website
Recognition in newspaper thank-you ad following event

Earthenware
$100
Recognition in newspaper thank-you ad following event

Many Hands
below $100
We are grateful for any contribution!