



Dear Friends of ASAP,

Climate change is a global problem and yes, we are all connected. Now ASAP – here in the USA, together with ASAP -Zimbabwe and ASAP-Malawi has developed the REAP – ‘Resilience thru Entrepreneurship and [Aquaponics](#) - Project’. REAP introduces climate sensitive agriculture techniques to [Savings Group](#) members in Africa. These economically active poor families, that have taken charge of improving their own lives through Savings Group activities, will reap the benefits; increased income and food security while also helping to combat climate change. ASAP is currently seeking funding for the REAP project.

With support from The West Foundation and The International Foundation, ASAP’s 3-year [Tools For Empowerment](#) (TFE) pilot study is in the third year. TFE refurbishes donated trade tools and provides these to promising vocational graduates in the developing world. The results, interest and active participation in the TFE project have been promising. The Lessons Learned report will be compiled in May 2017. We plan to scale up this project in Central America and The Caribbean next year to help more vocational school graduates improve their lives.

Big thanks go out to all of you who continue to contribute to ASAP's success. [Volunteers](#), [in-kind contributors](#) and [donors](#) make our work possible. All of us at ASAP appreciate your interest and contribution to help improve the lives of those less fortunate around the world. Remember, without you, we can do nothing.

Sincerely,  
Tom Arsenault  
President