

SAMPLE LETTER

Dear friends and family,

I want to make a difference in lives of the children of the Dominican Republic!!!

On _____, I will be participating in a team to the DR with _____. In partnership with Unto International, we are bringing help, healing and hope to suffering children. This beautiful Caribbean country has many white sand beaches, resorts and sunshine but there is another side of the island that tourists rarely see. There is a generation of children growing up here who suffer from poverty, despair, hunger, disease and abuse. Hundreds of children die as a result of lack of food, clean water and proper medical care. We are assisting these children by bringing relief items, school supplies and love.

Our team will be engaged in construction and ministry in the community of Los Alcarrizos. In this community of 300,000 people the average annual income is \$1200 a year. Each individual on the team is attempting to raise sufficient funds to pay for their own airfare, accommodation, transportation, food and the cost of materials and supplies. I need your help to make this incredible project happen. Would you consider supporting me financially in order to help me reach my goal of \$_____.

I would be delighted if you would partner with me and this special group of volunteers who are bringing help to the children of the Dominican Republic. Every gift, whether small or large, will go directly to this project and will make it possible for us to reach the goal.

*All gifts over \$20 are eligible for income tax deductible receipts and will be issued. If you are motivated to contribute to this worthwhile cause, please make checks payable to Unto International and put my **name in the memo**. If you would rather contribute by credit card or pre-authorized payment plan, please contact the Unto International office by phone at 616-365-0838. If possible, all monies need to be into the Unto office by _____. Unto's new mailing address is **2462 Oakview St. Sw Wyoming, MI 49509**. Also, if you have any gift in kind items that you would like to donate that can be easily transported (ex. candy, toys, new toiletries, sports equipment etc.) We are collecting them to take down with us. Please call me and we can arrange a pick up time. I look forward to sharing with you about the lives changed once I return from the trip.*

Sincerely,