Bay Area WASH Event Tomorrow, November 10th





If you're in the Bay Area, please join us for a lively dinner and discussion hosted by the Global Philanthropy Forum on November 10th at 6PM.

Event description:

That 1 billion people lack access to clean water is considered by many to be one of the greatest development failures of the modern era. That every 19 seconds a child dies from preventable, water-related disease is surely one of the great tragedies of our time. Improving water access, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) has enormous impacts on reducing poverty and improving education and health, especially for women and girls. For twenty-five years, the Pacific Institute has worked to forge real-world solutions to this global challenge.

In order to increase access to clean water for the world's most vulnerable communities, it is critical to empower donors, social entrepreneurs and other change agents with the knowledge and tools they need to be strategic. That's why the Foundation Center developed <u>WASHfunders.org</u>, a new web site for funders -- and other stakeholders -- who are working together to solve the world's water crisis. The site features a mapping tool, WASH strategies of leading foundations, case studies of WASH projects around the world, tools for assessing project outcomes, and a searchable archive of research reports.

Speakers:

Meena Palaniappan, Director, International Water and Communities Initiative, *Pacific Institute* Seema Shah, Director, Research for Special Projects, *Foundation Center*

Co-hosted with Silicon Valley Community Foundation at their offices:

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Space is limited. Please RSVP to Sawako Sonoyama at <u>ssonoyama@philanthropyforum.org</u> or (415) 293-4682 **today, November 9, 2011.** Dinner cost is waived for GPF members. Cost for non-members is \$50.