## Altrusa International of Richardson Foundation, Inc.



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Dear Community Supporter,

We are proud to announce the 2015 Outstanding Women of Today... Builders of Tomorrow Annual Luncheon and Awards Presentation will be held Friday, October 30, at the Hyatt Regency North Dallas/Richardson. We are seeking sponsors for this special event and hope you will participate at one of the levels: Presenting, Platinum, Gold, Silver, or Bronze. Please also consider nominating an Outstanding Woman for 2015. Information about nominations and sponsorships is available on our website, www.altrusarichardson.com/Outstanding-Women.

Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc. is part of an international organization whose main purpose is to provide service to our local area. Last year, our ninety members gave over 10,000 hours of service in Richardson and the surrounding area. Our Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization, gave financial support to many projects, some of which are showcased in the enclosed brochure.

At our 2014 awards luncheon, we recognized the 27 phenomenal women who were nominated for their leadership, innovation, and professional achievements. Six of those women were honored as the Outstanding Woman of Today in their respective categories. It was inspiring to see and hear what these women have accomplished in their careers to better themselves and their community.

You may ask, "What's in it for me or my company?" According to 2014 statistics, women made up 46.9% of the labor force; and they comprised 51.5% of management, professional, and related positions. Your sponsorship of the *Outstanding Women of Today . . . Builders of Tomorrow Luncheon and Awards Presentation* will provide additional visibility for your organization to more than 300 community members and leaders typically in attendance. It will also reinforce the respect and value you place on the women in your organization.

We sincerely appreciate your consideration of a sponsorship commitment for this luncheon honoring women's achievements, and hope you choose to nominate someone from your organization as an Outstanding Woman for 2015!

The deadline for sponsorship commitments is October 9, 2015. Please feel free to contact one of the Sponsorship Coordinators if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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### Who is Altrusa?

Altrusa is an international non-profit organization, making our local communities better through leadership, partnership, and service while striving to create better communities worldwide. Altrusa is made up of civic-minded people who find great joy in enhancing the lives of others.

Altrusa International of Richardson, Inc. was chartered in 1966 and since that time has been Leading to a Better Community ®

The Altrusa International of Richardson Foundation, Inc. funds and supports a variety of projects, grants, and scholarships.

In addition to the many service projects listed in this brochure, conducted by club members, and funded through the Altrusa Richardson Foundation, we support a variety of local agencies, including:

Camp Summit
NETWORK of Community Ministries
Richardson Adult Literacy Center
Richardson Reads One Book
The Counseling Place

The Eisemann Center - Children's Theater
The University of Texas at Dallas - Kids University
The Warren Center

Altrusa International of Richardson also provides scholarships for tuition, fees, and textbooks.

Altrusa International of Richardson promotes community partnerships, including Helping Agencies Serving Richardson, Richardson Chamber of Commerce, RISD New Teacher Luncheon, and Leadership Richardson.

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## **Service Projects**

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Altrusans work on numerous community projects to make our communities better places to live. Altrusans conduct food drives, collect books, and donate school supplies for local agencies needing that extra support. We helped a Richardson food pantry (pictured above) and hand-made and decorated pillowcases (below) for a shelter for abused



women and children. Fifty recyclable red bags with a blanket, toiletries, warm socks, and a washcloth were given to another local shelter (pictured below).



#### **ABILITY HOUSE**



Ability House is a group home for adults with disabilities, supported by Ability Connection Texas. Monthly, Altrusa celebrates birthdays and holidays with food, gifts and fellowship.

#### **EDUCATION**



At elementary schools, we model reading to parents of Pre-K children; the children take home free books. Over 600 books have been given to these students and their families.

#### **SENIORS**



We work with elder communities calling Bingo, delivering crates of large-print books, giving prizes for play-money auctions, conducting Mother's Day and Father's Day events, and registering participants for Alzheimer's walks.

#### INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS



Altrusa strives to create awareness of cultures and stimulate international relations through a variety of projects:

- Recognize United Nations Days
- Participate in Japan-America Grass Root Summit (see picture above)
- Promote World Literacy Day –"The Altrusa Great Read"
- Contribute to American Hero Quilt Project
- Support Helps International, Inc. and TeacHaiti through scholarships to young girls so they can attend school (see photos below)
- Sponsor Pen Pal Project in conjunction with RISD Terrace Elementary and TeacHaiti

