Radha's Letter

Dear Friends,

In August, we joined others around the world to commemorate World Humanitarian Day, an opportunity to shine a light on the challenges faced by the more than 65 million who are displaced from their homes by conflict, persecution, or disaster. One of the toughest hurdles refugees face is the struggle to cook their food safely, as refugee Hibo Ibrahim points out in a story this month, and that they risk assault, injury, and even rape while searching for firewood. To raise awareness and better understand...

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Refugee Risks Assault, Rape to Collect Cooking Fuel

Read the powerful testimony of Hibo Mohamed Ibrahim, a refugee who faced incredible dangers including assault and rape to collect firewood for cooking.

$4 Million Fund to Boost Cookstove and Fuel Use Announces First Recipients

The Clean Cooking Working Capital Fund has awarded its first round of funding to social enterprise firms Envirofit International and BioLite. The Fund is designed to accelerate development of the clean cooking supply chain in low-income communities.

Stove Training Workshop in Uganda Empowers Innovation Among Participants

The Alliance co-hosted with MIT and USAID a three-week hands-on design experience to co-create and improve the technologies that address the challenges faced by the three billion people who cook food with traditional cookstoves or open fires.

Capacity Building for Household Air Pollution Monitoring in East Africa
In response to a major gap in capacity for research and evaluation of household air pollution, 45 researchers from around the world attended an Alliance-sponsored workshop in Ethiopia. At the workshop, participants learned innovative measurement techniques and discussed further research needs.

What to Expect in This Year’s Results Report

Changes in the annual "Results Report" will better reflect the realities of the sector as it grows.

Digs Into Charcoal and the forests of the Dominican Republic to the urban markets of Haiti, and how the conflict over the island's remaining natural resources could potentially end in violence.

Network Launched to Advance Uptake and Scale-up of Clean Cooking Technology
The National Institutes of Health, in partnership with USAID, the Centers for Disease Control, and the Alliance has launched a Clean Cooking Implementation Science Network to advance the science of uptake and scale-up of clean cooking technology in the developing world.

Alliance Champions Rocky Dawuni and Sanjeev Kapoor Get Cooking in India

Grammy-nominated musician Rocky Dawuni joined India’s world famous top chef and Alliance Chef Corps member Sanjeev Kapoor in India to cook, play music, and talk clean cooking.

UN Agencies Launch New Tool to Help Displaced Populations Manage Fuel Need

Two United Nations agencies issued a new technical handbook to assist humanitarian workers in addressing multifaceted problems related to cooking fuel for refugees and displaced people.
and market development initiatives to scale up the adoption of improved cookstoves in Tanzania.