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COFFEE KIDS RECEIVES \$13,800 HELEN BADER FOUNDATION GRANT TO AID BIODIESEL PROGRAM IN GUATEMALA

(Santa Fe, N.M.) – Coffee Kids has received a \$13,800 grant from the Helen Bader Foundation in Milwaukee, Wis., to continue support for a biodiesel program in the community of Nueva Alianza, Guatemala.

Coffee Kids partners with organizations in coffee-producing communities to create programs that reduce dependence on the coffee harvest and increase economic independence.

The biodiesel program in Nueva Alianza began in 2005 with the goal of reducing community reliance on conventional diesel. The group now produces 100 gallons a week from used cooking oil and plants such as jatropha and castor. Given the success of the program, the community is exploring options to expand the planting of jatropha and castor on fallow land and to improve their production process.

The Helen Bader Foundation, Inc., supports innovative projects and programs that advance the well-being of people and promote successful relationships with their families and communities. The Foundation is named for the late Helen Bader, a Milwaukee businesswoman who became a social worker. With offices in Milwaukee and Jerusalem, the Foundation awards an average of \$12 million per year in grants, totaling more than \$163 million in grants since it was established in 1992.

Coffee Kids, Inc. is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of coffee-farming families. Coffee Kids currently supports economic diversification, education, and health care programs in Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and Peru. To learn more about Coffee Kids or to make a donation, please visit www.coffeekids.org or call 505-820-1443.

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