## **Montview Mission Impact Fund Grantees**

## IPODERAC Children's Home – Puebla, Mexico

Montview has a long history of support for IPODERAC, a home for abandoned, homeless boys and girls ages 6-18. During its 60-year history, more than 700 children have lived here and received education and training for jobs, along with the life skills they need to be self-sufficient upon graduation. Much of IPODERAC's operating funds come from the sale of artisan cheese produced on site from the milk of the goats that live on its 17-acre campus. A \$100,000 grant will provide funding to purchase six pieces of cheese production equipment, thereby allowing sufficient capacity for IPODERAC to sustain its operating budget for many years to come.

Nepal Youth Foundation (NYF) – Villages in Nepal's Septari District Another longtime Montview mission partner, NYF has provided more than 60,000 impoverished children with vital health care, education and safety since 1990. A \$150,000 grant will support the organization's Caste Equality Project, designed to empower members of the Dalit caste (historically seen as "untouchable") to access opportunities needed to thrive as members of their broader society, defend their human rights, build prosperity, participate in social development and positive change, and dismantle the systems of oppression standing between their communities and safe, dignified lives. NYF will use these funds to construct three community centers that will increase access to education from kindergarten through medical school, law school, or vocational programming; improve pediatric health; and empower Nepali youth, especially girls, to achieve their potential.

## **Development in Gardening (DIG)** – Kenya, Uganda, Senegal

A new-to-Montview organization, DIG has been designing regenerative gardens since 2006 that grow health, wealth and a sense of belonging for some of the world's most uniquely marginalized people in eight African countries. Rooted in social justice and environmental sustainability, DIG prioritizes the ultra-poor, elderly, people living with disabilities, people living with HIV, young mothers, conservation refugees, and others largely left behind, positioning them to become leaders and contributors to more resilient local food systems. Our \$150,000 grant will enable DIG to invest in autonomous local leadership that is crucial for launching DIG Kenya and adapting the DIG model for Uganda and Senegal. These funds will also support the realignment of DIG Global from directing to supporting the autonomously operating divisions, ultimately allowing DIG to strategically expand its reach and impact.