Dear friend,

"FXB’s community development programs, such as the FXBVillage programs, are focused specifically on the causes of economic migration.

In 1991, when I conceived and developed our model, the entire international community was fixated on microloans as a means to combat widespread poverty. I was convinced that the families we worked with, who were floundering in abject poverty, would never be able to repay the loans and that the piecemeal handouts would not help them to recover their dignity and financial independence.

And what use was building a school if the children were studying on an empty stomach and did not have a family home to sleep in? Or setting up a clinic if the sick returned home only to end up drinking dirty water?

So, rather than a divided approach, we sought to address all interdependent needs simultaneously in order to extricate those families from abject poverty and to fully fund all basic necessities for families."

Read the full speech here.

Sincerely,

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