



CITY OF ORLANDO

OFFICE OF
BUDDY DYER
MAYOR

Dear Community Partner,

Thank you for supporting the annual Central Florida Water For People **Wine For Us** (www.wineforus.org) wine-tasting fundraiser. This annual event makes a difference in lives around the world by providing learning and networking opportunities locally about the need for everyone to have access to safe drinking water and sanitation infrastructure.

In Central Florida, public utilities and water/sanitation infrastructure have long been established and continue to remain pillars of our progress. Along with the utilities, the water/wastewater industry helps secure public health and provides jobs locally. At the City of Orlando, clean drinking water, sanitation and waste management continues to remain a critical function as we meet the current needs of our citizens and plan for future growth.

Globally however, the picture is vastly different. Every day, there are nearly 900 million people worldwide without access to clean drinking water and more than 2.6 billion people without adequate sanitation. In addition to severe public health impacts, unsafe water also inhibits the social progress and economic development of these communities.

Water For People is currently working on the development of sustainable water and sanitation infrastructure in countries across the developing world. The Central Florida Water For People committee is also actively involved in our local community, utilizing their school outreach program to educate our students about the need for clean water, the importance of sanitation and ways to conserve water.

This annual Wine For Us fundraiser gives us a great opportunity serve our community by focusing attention on this important issue and raise funding to positively impact the quality of life across the globe.

Thank you for your support of this event and your continuing service to our community.

Sincerely,

Buddy Dyer
Mayor