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# **ICPSD Quarterly Update**

#### Hello ICPSD community!

Here we are wrapping up the first quarter of 2023. We have been keeping ourselves busy with seedling starting activities in the nursery, planning outreach and events (like our first U.S. in-person event since 2016!), trying to keep up with our active youth, and looking forward!

We hope you will enjoy this update. Please continue to follow us on social media for more regular updates though fun photos and video. We hope you will join us in April and May for events and activities we are very excited for!

# Eat, drink, and plant trees!

Join us as we celebrate Togolese culture and raise funds to expand & secure sustainable reforestation efforts in Togo.

> • 5-8pm, May 1, 2023 • 1912 Center Moscow, ID



# Join us in Person!

We are beyond excited to get to gather in person to support ecosystem restoration and celebrate Togolese culture. We will have delicious West African fare for snacking, musical and dance performances by The Jama Group from the <u>University of Idaho African Student Association</u>, beverages, raffle items, silent auction, and plenty of ICPSD updates.

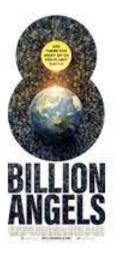
5-8 pm, May 1, 2023 1912 Center 412 E 3rd Street Moscow, ID 83843

For those of you unable to join us in person:

- Our silent auction is online and will open a week in advance (April 24)
- Join us on Zoom for virtual attendance during the live event.

The silent auction will open April 24 and run through May 1. We have a little something for everyone. Be sure to <u>create your login in advance</u>!

We have partnered with the <u>Kenworthy Performing Arts Centre</u> for two films the end of April leading up to our May 1 event.



The Man Who Stopped the Desert

The Man Who Stopped the Desert 7pm Wednesday, April 26, 2023

8 Billion Angles

7pm Wednesday, April 19, 2023

8 Billion Angels tells the truth about the conflict between the size of our global population and the sustainability of our planet. The film takes you on an immersive and emotional journey into the lives of farmers, fisherman and others as they witness an unfolding global crisis and inspires real solutions toward lasting sustainability and a better quality of life for all Earth. The Man Who Stopped the Desert is an uplifting portrait of an African visionary at the cutting edge of the fight against desertification. In Burkina Faso the rapid desertification of once fertile plains caused droughts and ruined harvests, sparking a mass exodus of inhabitants and famines that decimated populations. Yet one illiterate peasant farmer and his ingenious farming methods have proved the key to achieving what experts have failed to do: stop the desert. This documentary tells the unique story of Yacouba Sawadogo, whose years of toil have transformed the lives of thousands.





President and Co-Founder Dr. Romuald Afatchao sat down to share the story, purpose, and approach of ICPSD as we head into this Idaho Give-ing season. ;)

#### Help Us Spread the Word!

- Share the event with your family and friends:
- Join and share our events on Facebook and LinkedIn
- <u>Share our auction link</u> so more people can participate.
- Work for an organization interested in donating/sponsoring? Email Whitney at <u>whitney.schroeder@icpsdafrica.org</u>

# **Youth Computer Literacy**



The computer lab expansion has been such a wonderful gift. With the funds you all helped us raise students no longer have to huddle around three computers, but rather can double or triple up to a single computer (depending on class attendance) for computer lessons. They are also able to schedule times for single use, which we have more space availability with more computers.

# Seedling Class of 2023





The 2023 crop of seedlings has been started at the nursery. We were able to acquire seeds for 6 different species this year. As we continue to ramp up our production (to 10K seedlings a year) one of our greatest challenge is sourcing viable native seeds.

# **Growth Check!**

#### Mangotigomé Primary School





#### Notsé Presbyterian School





#### Notsé High School





# **Youth Soccer & Winner Girls**

only nationally recognized female club team in Notsé. We have a few other updates and things in the works regarding this youth initiative and thank you for your patience as we get through the seedling starting and <u>Idaho Gives</u> season! #summerisforsoccer

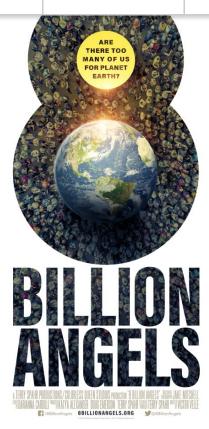






# **Upcoming Events**

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Kenworthy as we celebrate Earth Month! 8 Billion Angels connects all of the planet's environmental emergencies, including climate change, with unsustainable population growth. It weaves together the voices of ordinary people around the world, from Kansas and Maine to Japan and India, as they confront the growing impact of overpopulation on their lives and the health of the planet's rivers, oceans, land and air. Learn More >>

Earth Day 2023 - Moscow, ID Join us for family friendly fun on April 22, 2023 at East City Park in Moscow, ID. Hosted by Inland North Waste in honor of the amazing ways the community protects and preserves our environment, come enjoy some live music, good food, and a beer garden. Admission is free of charge. ICPSD will have a table at the event, so come say hi! Learn More >>



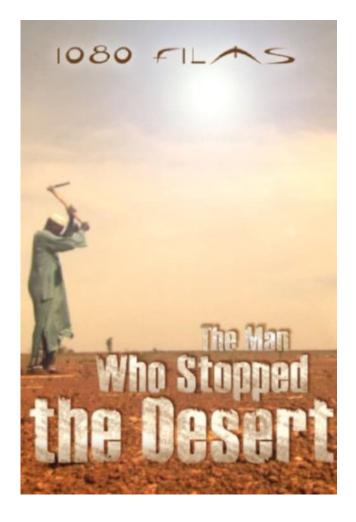




#### Movie Night: April 29

Join us for movie night at the Kenworthy as we celebrate Earth Month! The Man Who Stopped the Desert is an uplifting portrait of an African visionary at the cutting edge of the fight against desertification. In Burkina Faso the rapid desertification of once fertile plains caused droughts and ruined harvests, sparking a mass exodus of inhabitants and famines that decimated populations. Yet one illiterate peasant farmer and his ingenious farming methods have proved the key to achieving what experts have failed to do: stop the desert. This doc tells the unique story of Yacouba Sawadogo, whose years of toil have transformed the

you! We are teaming up again with Style Her Empowered for another year of Earth Day fun on **April 22**, 2023. Building on activities from last year, we will host another plastic collection race (materials used for the awesome S H E backpacks) in Togo and much more! Follow ICPSD and <u>S H E</u> on social for future details!



**Subscribe** 



### Idaho Gives Kick-Off Event: May 1,2023

We are having an in-person event to kick of Idaho Gives 2023. Mark your calendar for 5-8 pm May 1, 2023. Join us as we celebrate Togolese culture with food, drinks, music, raffle, silent auction, and more! Learn More >>

#### Idaho Gives: May 1-4, 2023

'Tis the season for Idaho Gives! This year we are raising funds to support the heart of ICPSD - our Ecosystem Restoration Program! We have a goal of planting 6,000 trees and providing support to the women and children most affected.



Learn More >>

Interested in supporting/sponsoring our Idaho Gives event? Download our sponsor prospectus here.





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