



## Grounds For Health

### Mexico, Nicaragua, Tanzania



**“Together, we can make a difference in their lives!”**

The ECOM Foundation has partnered with Grounds For Health, for seven years, bringing a revolutionary “One Day Screen & Treat” cervical cancer screening approach to the origin producers of coffee in Mexico, Nicaragua, and Tanzania. Cervical cancer, which remains the #1 cancer killer of women in de-

veloping countries.

According to the 2010 Report of the WHO/ICO Information Center on HPV and Cervical Cancer, by 2025, there will be an estimated 750,000 reported cases annually which, if trends hold, would account for 265,000 deaths among women in coffee growing regions. And nearly all these deaths are preventable. Women play a major role in the production of coffee. According to the 2008 Inter-

national Trade Forum, at least 70% of field work, harvesting and sorting is done by women. Premature death causes heartbreaking hardships to families, and disruption and loss to the community.

The ECOM Foundation is proud to be a part of this effort to build clinics and provide medical training in rural areas..

*It has been noted that many patients will have walked several days, covering many miles, in order to receive services.*

## Cocoa Nursery Agricultural Program

### Holy Spirit High School, Madang District, Papua New Guinea



In 2012, the High School Cocoa Nursery Agricultural Program of Papua New Guinea cites the number of graduating students increased to approximately 1500. Over 20 teachers have been trained in the methodologies of the curriculum during, focused on

best practices and management. The ECOM Foundation has proudly funded, for 2013, expansion of this program from the District of Bogia, to the Districts of Bougainville, New Ireland, and Madang.

## ECOM Foundation Satellite School San Miguel, El Salvador

With guidance and management by volunteers Ernesto Telles, Alberto Cuellar, Alfonso Gonzales and Noel Lorio, the ECOM Foundation has made a 2013 grant for a Tier 1 Satellite School as a layer onto an existing computer lab for the Sara Pohl School in San Miguel, El Salvador. Carol Salaiz, ECOM Foundation Chairperson, will help officiate for the grand opening festivities in May which will include speeches, entertainment by the students, and other exciting activities. Partnering with the ECOM Foundation are Mr. & Mrs. Louie Sheetz, and Farmer Bros. Coffee, with collaborative funding by Borgonovo Pohl to the school.



*ECOM Foundation volunteers-in-the-field and donor funds make these services possible. Please contact us for information on how to participate.*