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Donation for

**Earthquake-Hit Areas in China**  
Wednesday through Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> 2008  
MIT Student Center 1<sup>st</sup> Floor

Come and show your support!

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## MIT Donation Drive for the Sichuan Earthquake

Dear Friends,

A catastrophic earthquake rocked central China at 2:28pm on Monday May 12, 2008. Within one day, the death toll rose sharply to nearly 12,000 and is keeping rapidly rising. Most of the victims are children at school and people at work caught under collapsed buildings, since the quake happened during working hours. There are still numerous regular aftershocks, which make people fearful to return home. Millions of people have to sleep in the open, in heavy rain, with no power or water.

Facing the devastation in our motherland, the Chinese Students and Scholars Association (CSSA) is calling for support from the whole MIT community. We will hold a table at the student center all day long from Wednesday (May 14th) through Friday (May 16th) to collect donation. The money collected will be used to provide for the survivors basic shelter and food and to help rebuild their homes. We will send the money to the China Red Cross Sichuan Branch.

To help keeping the donation procedure transparent, we will need you to provide the following information: name, email, School, Department, Year/Graduate, phone number. Receipts will be provided upon request. We will update the donation information everyday on the MIT CSSA's webpage (<http://cssa.mit.edu/>). Meanwhile, the online donation account is being set up and will be available soon. We will update you once this information is ready.

At the moment, we also need a lot of volunteers who can contribute his/her valuable time in helping us. The duties include but are not limited to: designing and distributing flyers, maintaining webpage, outreaching and broadcasting. If you are interested in joining us as volunteers, please send your name, email and contact number to Liang, Fei ([liangfei@mit.edu](mailto:liangfei@mit.edu)). She will get in touch with you. We appreciate your great help in advance.

Please help us to distribute this message to your coworkers and friends. Any suggestion on further showing our support toward this disaster is welcome! Thank you for your generous support!

CSSA Board  
May 13, 2008