

National Volunteer Outreach Network

Threads for Hope

Project in Common Report **2000 - 2002**

Objective: Supplied embroidery thread to impoverished societies in **Southern Africa** and **Asia** to give women the opportunity to acquire informal skills to generate income by selling their own handiwork.

Threads for Hope, the NVON 2000-2002 project in common has continued on. Over 766,820 skeins of embroidery floss has been delivered to our sisters in South Africa. How interesting to purchase finished products just seven weeks after these ladies learned to thread a needle. The beautiful things we receive today are far advanced and more ladies are continually being taught. To date over \$15,000 worth of items have been sold. The workers have been paid as they have handed over the products. For many it is the first money they have earned. Think of their joy to be able to buy something for their families!

In 2003 the NVON Board gave permission for floss to also be distributed in Asia as we continue to help our ACWW sisters. Items will no longer be available for sale, however floss will be distributed until the supply is exhausted.

Thanks to all who have participated.