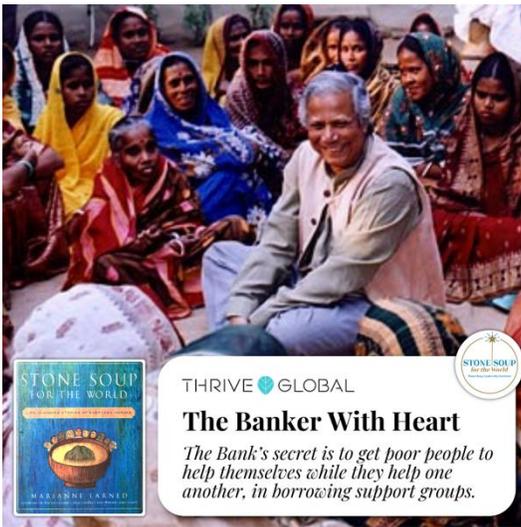




Stone Soup Leadership Institute's Hero of the Week  
Dr. Muhammad Yunus  
Grameen Bank  
Week of December 6-12, 2020

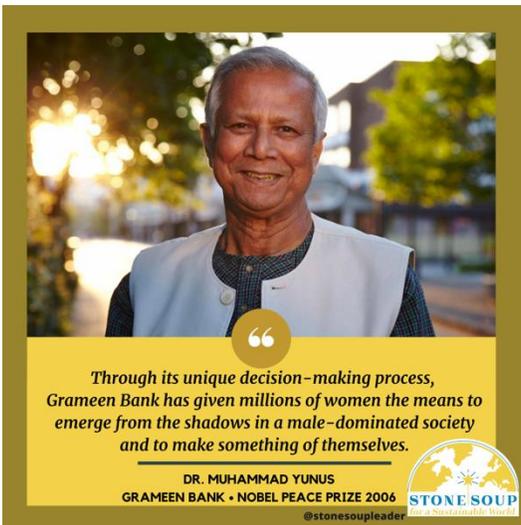


Sunday: Thrive Global: Dr. Muhammad Yunus

[This week's story on @AriannaHuff's @Thrive](#) is about @Dr.Muhammad Yunus who founded @Grameen Bank which empowers the poor with access to tools and information that enable them to escape poverty and help others.

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Monday: Dr. Muhammad Yunus, Grameen Bank

@Muhammad Yunus is a Bangladeshi social entrepreneur, banker, economist, and civil society leader who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for founding the Grameen Bank and pioneering the concepts of microcredit and microfinance.

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## Tuesday: Hero Report: Dr. Muhammad Yunus

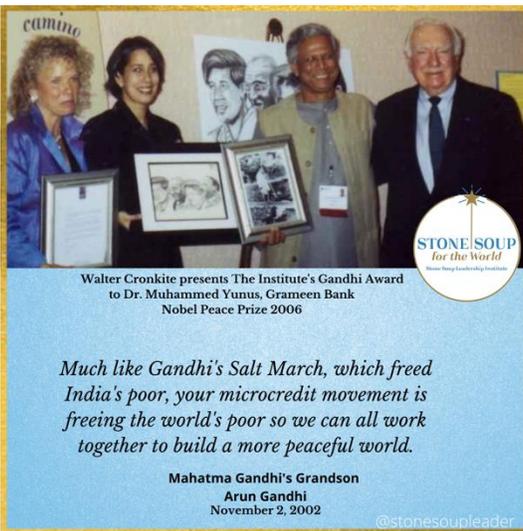
@GrameenBank founder, Professor @Muhammad Yunus first started by talking with people in the streets and villages of his homeland, Bangladesh where he learned that the root cause of their poverty was the outrageous interest rates they were forced to pay in their desperate attempts to create their own little businesses

*"Society has always told the poor they should not be seen nor heard," says Yunus. "Grameen invites them to come together, hold their heads up high."*

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Walter Cronkite presents The Institute's Gandhi Award to Dr. Muhammed Yunus, Grameen Bank Nobel Peace Prize 2006

*Much like Gandhi's Salt March, which freed India's poor, your microcredit movement is freeing the world's poor so we can all work together to build a more peaceful world.*

Mahatma Gandhi's Grandson  
Arun Gandhi  
November 2, 2002

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## Wednesday: Dr. Muhammad Yunus Receives Gandhi Award from the Institute

In 2002, the Stone Soup Leadership Institute awarded its first Mahatma Gandhi award to Professor Muhammad Yunus for his pioneering work with microfinance and microloans through @Grameen Bank. Dr. Yunus later went on to win the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006. Today, through his Yunus Centre, Dr. Yunus has called upon world leaders to declare #COVID-19 Vaccines as a global common good. 113 World Leaders including 19 Nobel Laureates, 36 former Chief of State and Governments, Political Leaders, Artistes, International NGOs and Institutions have signed the appeal.

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#makecovid19vaccinesglobalcommongood

#vaccinecommongood #PeopleVaccine #COVID19vaccines

## Wednesday: President Bill Clinton Honors Dr. Muhammad Yunus

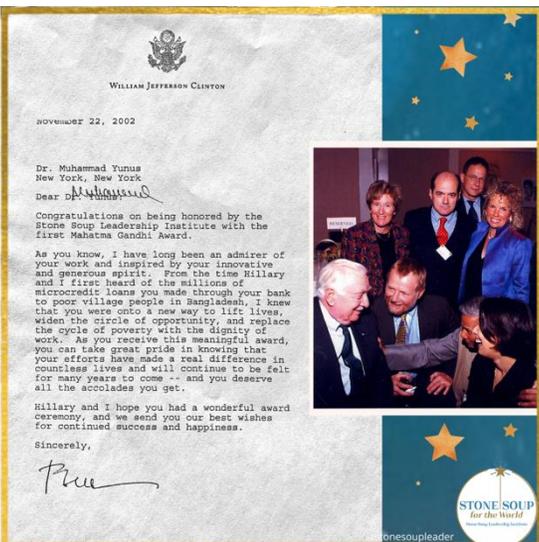
Former @President Bill Clinton honored Professor Muhammad Yunus when he received the Institute's first Mahatma Gandhi Award in recognition of his work in freeing millions of people all over the world from poverty. Dr. Yunus continues to fight for the protection of ALL vulnerable persons in an appeal to declare #COVID-19 vaccines as a Global Common Good. The signatories include Nobel Laureates and Nobel Laureates Organizations, civil society leaders, and world moral leaders from all over the globe.

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WILLIAM JEFFERSON CLINTON

NOVEMBER 22, 2002

Dr. Muhammad Yunus  
New York, New York

Dear Dr. Yunus,

Congratulations on being honored by the Stone Soup Leadership Institute with the first Mahatma Gandhi Award.

As you know, I have long been an admirer of your work and inspired by your innovative and generous spirit. From the time Hillary and I first heard of the millions of microcredit loans you made through your bank to poor village people in Bangladesh, I knew that you were onto a new way to lift lives, widen the circle of opportunity, and replace the cycle of poverty with the dignity of work. As you receive this meaningful award, you can take great pride in knowing that your efforts have made a real difference in countless lives and will continue to be felt for many years to come -- and you deserve all the accolades you get.

Hillary and I hope you had a wonderful award ceremony, and we send you our best wishes for continued success and happiness.

Sincerely,

Bill

@stonesoupleader



*Dr. Yunus with Marianne Larned  
at the Stone Soup Leadership Institute's  
Celebration of Heroes with Walter Cronkite  
New York City • 2002*

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### Wednesday: Marianne Larned and Dr. Yunus

"It was such a joy to be with Dr. Yunus and Walter Cronkite for this special occasion," said @Marianne Larned  
When they met, they each exclaimed "You are my hero!"  
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### Thursday: Honor Roll's Call to Action, Grameen Bank

By establishing Grameen Bank in 1983, Muhammad Yunus sought to realize his vision of self-support for the very poorest people by means of loans on easy terms. The bank has since been a source of inspiration for similar microcredit institutions in over 100 countries.

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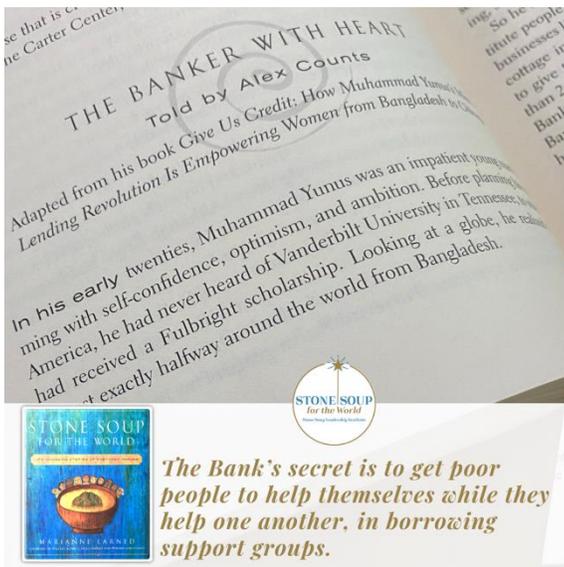
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Grameen Foundation empowers the poor, especially women to create a world without poverty and hunger. The foundation uses digital technology and data to understand poverty and offer empowering tools.

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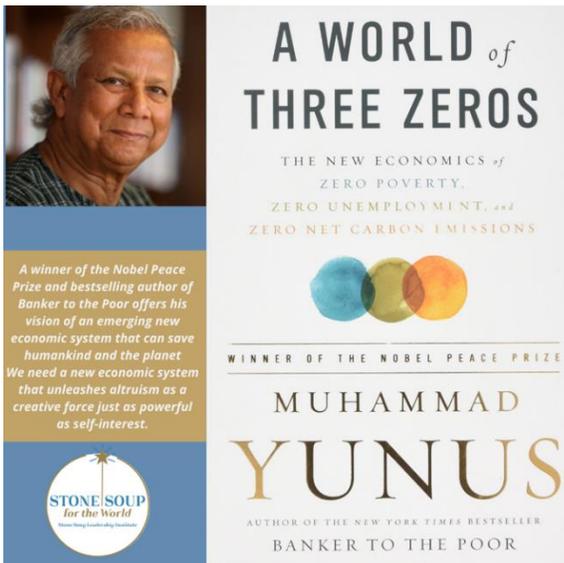
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**Friday: Story of the Week**

Read about how Dr. Muhammad Yunus created one of the greatest humanitarian campaigns in history. Starting by loaning money out of his own pocket, Muhammed created the Grameen Bank, which helps poor people help themselves while helping each other. Today, in addition to more than 2.2 nearly 8 million borrowers in Bangladesh, 97% are women, Grameen now helps African-Americans and Mexicans in South-Central Los Angeles, Native Americans in South Dakota, poor whites in Arkansas, North Carolina and New England, and Southeast Asian refugees. @Grameen Foundation

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**Saturday: Dr. Muhammad Yunus' Book, A World of Three Zeros**

Professor Muhammad Yunus, who created microcredit, invented social business, and earned a Nobel Peace Prize for his work in alleviating poverty, is one of today's most trenchant social critics. Now he declares it's time to admit that we need a new economic system that unleashes altruism as a creative force just as powerful as self-interest.

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