# Be a Hero for a Better World



"Most of our citizenry believes that hunger only affects people who are lazy or people who are just looking for a handout...but, sadly, that is not true. Over one-third of our hungry people are innocent children who are members of households that simply cannot provide enough food or proper nutrition...Write your elected representatives and promote support for the hungry."

## Erin Brockovich

"If you follow your heart, if you listen to your gut, and if you extend your hand to help another, not for any agenda, but for the sake of humanity, you are going to find the truth."

The story of Erin Brockovich-Ellis' legal battle against the Pacific Gas and Electric Company for contaminating the water supply of Hinkley, California is depicted in the Academy Award winning 2000 Film, Erin Brockovich, starring Julia Roberts. Despite the fact that she was only a legal clerk with no formal law school education, Erin Brockovich was able to build a case against the corporation that resulted in a settlement of \$333 million -- the largest settlement ever paid in a direct action lawsuit in US history. The highly publicized case and the Hollywood movie have brought international attention corporations to be held accountable for environmental contamination.

Since that case, Erin Brockovich has been involved in a number of other similar cases. She is also a frequent environmental and motivational speaker, and has received numerous awards and honors for her work in protecting the environment and public safety.

### Erin Brockovich was born on June 22, 1960 in Lawrence, Kansas

#### Be A Hero For A Better World!

- 1. Find out more about this hero
- 2. Pledge to help end hunger (iaahp.net)
- Hold an event to raise awareness about the problem of world hunger
- 4. Contribute to an organization working to end hunger

## **Organizations Helping End Hunger**

- Alliance To End Hunger (alliancetoendhunger.org)
- America's Second Harvest (secondharvest.org)
- End Hunger Network (endhunger.com)
- Food For All (foodforall.org)
- Oxfam America (oxfamamerica.org)
- World Hunger Year (worldhungeryear.org)
- The Hunger Site (hungersite.org)

Free Online: EndHungerBook.com

For more information: www.betterworldheroes.com/brockovich.htm

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