



To our partners, supporters, and friends,

As I reflect on the past year, full of challenge, change, and transition for Medical Teams International, our nation, and our world, I am struck by the great privilege it is to be part of this work that is so urgently needed in a hurting world.

I have just completed my first four very full months at Medical Teams, and I am thrilled to step into an organization founded on volunteerism, responsiveness, collaboration, and compassion. Again and again, during my first 100 days in office, as I sought to listen well and learn from our board, staff, volunteers, and supporters, I heard your enthusiasm, drive, and commitment to continue to respond faithfully to the needs of those who are vulnerable, both at home and around the world.

There are daunting challenges in the landscape ahead: more than 65 million people are displaced worldwide facing conflicts, disasters, and manmade crises, and global trends indicate this number will increase. And yet, despite last year's headlines and the very real, hurting people at their center, I am struck anew by hope because, TOGETHER, led by God—who is full of wisdom, grace, and unchanging love for all people—we made a difference in 2016.

Thank you. The truth is, Medical Teams International cannot do this work without your support, your friendship, your partnership, and your dedication. And because of you, we are well positioned to head into the new year with new opportunities to love our neighbors as ourselves.

Here in the Annual Report, you will see the inspiring work you've already helped accomplish, as well as exciting things to come. Even now, our staff is hard at work to ensure our vision, focus, and strategies are well aligned, so we can continue to deliver compelling, necessary health services with excellence and skill. Please join me again in 2017 as we live out Our Calling: **Daring to love like Jesus, we boldly break barriers to health and restore wholeness in a hurting world.** 

Faithfully yours,

Martha Holley Newsome President & CEO





## DISASTER RESPONSE AND REFUGEE HEALTH CARE

The worst humanitarian disasters in the world today are caused by war. Currently, there are more than 65 million refugees and displaced people worldwide. Our hearts are broken by the suffering that results from war and natural disasters. Your gifts allow us to take action and deploy medical teams and supplies to both natural disaster locations and war-torn areas. Thanks to you, teams are sent to assess needs and provide urgently needed assistance for refugees and disaster survivors.



*627,860* 

South Sudanese refugees received primary health care while in Ugandan camps.

*27,898* 

Syrian refugees living in Greece and Lebanon were provided with medical and dental care.







#### NOLA

Thanks to generous donors like you, Medical Teams International is providing health care in response to the influx of South Sundanese refugees in Uganda, who are fleeing civil conflict and violence in their country.

After war broke out and her house was looted in South Sudan, Nola fled on foot all the way to Nyuumanzi, Uganda. Nola ran to escape violence and destruction. In her town, women were raped. Vehicles were burned. There was no food. Soldiers were kidnapping people from their schools and their homes. "Soldiers wait outside your house, leaning on a tree, and when you go out to use the bathroom, they take you away," Nola explained.

Nola traveled to Uganda with her two brothers and three sisters. She arrived with a headache and a chest infection, the products of a long and strenuous journey. Thanks to your generosity, Nola and others like her do not have suffer from poor health. Compelled by compassion for women like Nola, Medical Teams International is on the ground in Uganda, delivering desperately needed care. Thank you for the support that makes this possible.



## HEALTH CARE TRAINING AND SUPPLIES

Health services and modern medicines are out of reach for more than one billion people globally. Millions suffer and die prematurely from preventable and curable diseases, as many countries are unable to provide sufficient access to health services. Your generous gifts allow us to break existing barriers to health, sending life-saving medical care, health education, training, and donated medicines and supplies to qualified organizations and hospitals in marginalized communities around the globe.



## \$92.8 million

worth of medicines and medical supplies were shipped by Medical Teams International to 19 countries last year.

*51* 

social service agencies received personal hygiene and medical items, thanks to your donations.





## 1.7 million

people were helped by the medical supplies and medicines received—thanks to support from donors like you.







#### CHALAYE

Medical Teams International sends shipments of medical supplies around the globe every month. Thanks to your support, this year we included thousands of health and hygiene kits for Syrian refugees stranded in Greece, partnering with Apostoli (an NGO based in Greece) to do so.

One of those kits reached Ghalaye and her baby, who were forced to flee Aleppo, Syria. When the

bombing began in Aleppo, Ghalaye fled for Turkey, accompanied by her brother and the rest of her family. Her days in Turkey were the worst: "We saw death, fear and pain." After a discouraging week in Turkey—where they trekked through forests and were treated poorly—they arrived in Greece, where they were told they had arrived too late to be allowed to pass farther into Europe.

They felt trapped at the refugee settlement. Ghalaye longed to find a safe place to live. When she received her health and hygiene kit at her settlement, she felt a flicker of hope—not just because it helped her family stay healthy, but because the kits were a small sign of kindness in their harrowing journey. "Thank you for everything," she said. "What we need now is to find a home."

# HEALTHY CHILDREN AND SAFE MOTHERHOOD

In 2016, roughly 303,000 women died during pregnancy or following childbirth. More than 5 million babies are stillborn, or die shortly after birth. Nearly all of these deaths are unnecessary. Approximately 99% of maternal deaths occur in developing countries, reflecting the severe inequity in access to health services.\* With your help, we are working diligently to change that reality. Your support allows us to partner with communities to create sustainable prenatal, delivery, and postnatal care and child health practices—helping bring relief today and lasting health into the future. Thanks to your generosity, more mothers and babies receive the critical care they need.

Number of mothers and children receiving health services through Medical Teams International:

\*World Health Organization, November 2016.







#### CLAUDIA

After losing their first baby boy to illness and malnutrition in Haiti, Bodeler and Louis were grief-stricken. Despite the sorrow they both felt, they vowed to have another child. Two years later, Louis became pregnant! They knew they would need help for their baby to survive.

Two months into the pregnancy, Louis went to the health clinic supported by Medical Teams International. They vaccinated her and made sure that she and her baby were healthy. After nine months, Louis gave birth, and the baby girl was thriving. Health workers vaccinated the baby (Claudia) and taught Louis how to breastfeed. Within the first week after Claudia was born, Louis took her back to the clinic for a check-up, knowing this was important to keep her healthy. Because of this care, Claudia remained healthy!

"If we had not gone to the clinic, Claudia could have faced the same fate as our first child," said Bodeler, Claudia's father. "If I could say anything to Medical Teams, I would say thank you and let you know your work is helping the community a lot." Thanks to your gifts, Claudia is safe and healthy, and more families like hers have the joy of health and togetherness.

#### MOBILE DENTAL CLINICS

Right here in the United States, more than 800,000 emergency room visits each year occur because of preventable dental conditions arising from lack of access to dental care. Your gifts help operate one of the largest mobile dental fleets in the U.S. Medical Teams International operates 11 mobile dental vans staffed with volunteer dentists, hygienists, and assistants who provide free or low-cost service to children and adults who either cannot afford or cannot access dental care in the Northwest.

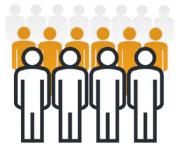


**20,579** men, women, and children were served in 2016.

\$6.71 million

in dental care services was provided to adults and kids in the Northwest this year.





*293,841* 

people have been served since 1989, when the program was established.



O USA



#### ARELI

Shooting pains from the back of her mouth made 9-year-old Areli wince. The pain had persisted for weeks. "Sometimes, when I eat back there, it hurts really badly," Areli said. Areli needed to see a dentist, but her family didn't have the resources for one. Areli never received regular check-ups.

When Areli's mom saw the cavity in her daughter's tooth, she reached out to the



It was Areli's first time in a dentist's chair, and she was nervous, not knowing what to expect. The volunteer dentist put Areli at ease by asking her questions about her favorite class, then filled the cavities.

Areli now knows that she has nothing to fear from the dentist. She looks forward to seeing the dentist again, knowing that her teeth are becoming stronger and less likely to cause her pain.

Thank you for helping to provide urgent dental care for local families.

## YOUR GIFTS ARE RESTORING WORLD



Your compassion helped 2.9 million people in 27 countries.

Your generous support is leveraged with donated medical supplies, volunteers, staff, and partnering organizations to have maximum impact in the communities we are committed to around the globe. When you give, your gift mobilizes action.



## VOLUNTEERS MAKE YOUR GIFTS GO FARTHER

Volunteers are the lifeblood of Medical Teams International. From packing boxes of medical supplies to ship, to flying across the globe to serve as a doctor, or changing the oil in a mobile dental van, each volunteer is critical to the mission. Medical Teams International could not do what we do without volunteers, and those volunteers could not be supplied without your support.





#### BRENDA

Brenda Maldonado remembers feeling the earth shake, seeing buildings topple and hearing people scream. Brenda was just six years old when the earthquake struck Nicaragua. Amid the ruins of the neighborhood, where fires lit the sky, only Brenda's family house stood. "Why were we so fortunate?" she asked. She wondered, "How can I make a difference?"

Answering that question led her to the health care field and, eventually, volunteering internationally in developing countries. A Colorado-based nurse, Brenda has been a Medical Teams International volunteer since 2004, when she went to Kurdish Iraq to train medical professionals. Brenda knew she was imparting desperately needed information that would save lives. Brenda knew she needed to continue volunteering.

While recently training nurses at a hospital in South Sudan with Medical Teams International, Brenda received a call from a doctor. A pregnant woman desperately needed a C-section. Brenda rushed to the hospital to oversee the operation, conducted by one of her students.

In terrible conditions, using poor instruments, the nurse went to work, using the skills Brenda had taught her.

The tiny baby appeared lifeless, but Brenda took the baby and began stimulating his heart. After a few minutes, color came back to the baby, and he awoke. In that moment, all Brenda could hear was the mother say, "Oh, sister, he is alive!"

After 11 international trips, Brenda doesn't plan to stop. Her bags are always packed. When disaster strikes, she's on the phone to Medical Teams. "Are we responding?" she asks. She considers herself fortunate to be able to help those in need.





#### WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO CHANGE LIVES

Groundbreaking Corporate Partnerships can transform people's lives all over the world, while advancing the missions of the partnering organization. Engagement opportunities with Medical Teams International are boundless.

We partner with businesses to provide medical care, dental care, community health services, and medical supplies. Our corporate partners contributed nearly \$1,200,000 last year, helping to mobilize millions in medical supplies. Thanks to our corporate partners, medicines, medical supplies. and volunteers are mobilized to help communities in need around the world.

Working with partners enables us to expand our resources in innovative, efficient ways to help bring relief and lasting health—and gives employees opportunities to share their professional expertise for medical trainings and technology development projects, work alongside communities to build essential infrastructure, and sort medical supplies in our distribution centers right here in the Northwest.

## PROVIDENCE HEALTH + SERVICES

Medical Teams International and Providence Health and Services have a long-standing partnership, which is grounded on shared values and a commitment to improving the health of vulnerable people.

In the Pacific Northwest, we work together to help people who suffer from a lack of access to dental care. Last year, generous support from Providence Health and Services funded 115 Mobile Dental Clinics, which served more than 900 patients.

In Guatemala, we are working together to improve the health of men, women, and children living in eight remote villages in the municipality of Chicaman. Providence generously funds community prenatal, postnatal, and children's health programs to improve the health of women and children under two years of age. Also in Chicaman, Community Impact Teams

made up of Providence volunteers serve alongside Chicaman community members to build latrines and ventilated stoves and to provide clean water systems. In these small, rural communities, the addition of latrines, stoves, and clean water, coupled with health education, are important tools for combatting and reducing preventable childhood illness and diseases such as pneumonia, diarrhea, and malnutrition.



## YOUR GENEROSITY IN ACTION

Every dollar you give to Medical Teams International is leveraged to mobilize donated medicines, medical supplies, volunteers, and more. Thank you for your generosity. Figures represent Fiscal Year 2016: October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016.



**ESTATES** 

**1,057,974** — 4.5%

GOVERNMENT

**3,120,970** — 13.28%

CORPORATIONS

**1,165,003** — 4.96%

INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES, CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, OTHER

**5,885,552** — 25.03%

FOUNDATIONS

**3,482,667** — 14.81%

**8,797,600** — 37.42%

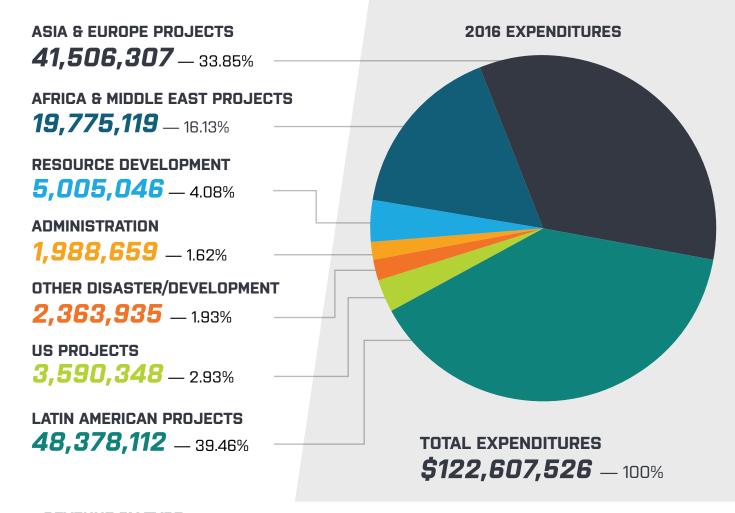
**TOTAL CASH DONATIONS \$23,509,766** — 100%

## EVERY \$1 SHIPS \$122

worth of medical supplies to people in need







#### **REVENUE BY TYPE**

\$116,208,380	100.00%
355,089	0.31%
997,544	0.86%
3,120,970	2.69%
3,482,667	3.00%
15,908,584	13.69%
92,343,525	79.46%
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<sup>\*</sup>Additional income carried over from fiscal year 2015: \$6,399,146

#### STATEMENT OF POSITION

**TOTAL NET ASSETS** 

Unrestricted Net Assets	2,303,227
Board Designated Operating Reserve	870,000
Held as Inventory	27,660,041
Property, Plant and Equipment	8,381,675
Temporarily Restricted Projects	2,530,542
Permanently Restricted	1,867,460

\$43,612,945

## YOUR GIFTS ARE MULTIPLIED

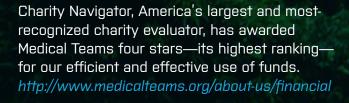


When you are compelled to give by your compassion and care for others, it's important to know that your gift will be in good hands. Medical Teams International is committed to good stewardship. Your gift will not only be directed toward meeting great needs, it will mobilize donated medical supplies

and volunteers to restore wholeness in a hurting world. When your gift is multiplied, it has greater impact across the globe. Together, we can break barriers to health.

Our federal tax ID is 93-0878944

To ensure accountability for your contributions, Medical Teams International is a member of the Better Business Bureau and the Evangelical Council of Financial Accountability.

















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