

SAVING LIVES & building healthy communities



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ANNUAL REPORT

BELOW :: In India, nearly 2,000 women have joined Project Concern's first lending institution to increase their financial security.

Photo by Jeffrey Lamont Brown :: Quote by Helen Keller



ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE;
together we can do so much

MISSION

Project Concern International's mission is to prevent disease, improve community health, and promote sustainable development.

VISION

Motivated by our concern for the world's most vulnerable children, families, and communities, Project Concern International envisions a world where abundant resources are shared, communities are able to provide for the health and well-being of their members, and children and families can achieve lives of hope, good health, and self-sufficiency.

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executive message

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

In 2006, Project Concern demonstrated what can be achieved when individuals, local organizations, communities, businesses, and governments work together for a common cause.

Strengthening collective efforts is essential to achieving lasting impact. Most importantly, it helps us save the lives of children and families.

Several landmark events in 2006 exemplify this approach, including our *AIDS Walk for Life* in India. This unprecedented campaign was recently recognized by UNAIDS as a best practice in HIV prevention. Project Concern also hosted its first international forum to address the dual epidemics of AIDS and hunger in Africa. This event, held in Zambia, drew more than 220 participants from 20 African countries, including leaders from international non-profit organizations, government health ministries, and community groups.

Additionally, in collaboration with hundreds of partners in 2006, we helped tsunami-affected communities rebuild, return to work and restore critical health

services; expanded HIV programs in Ethiopia, Zambia, India, and Indonesia for hundreds of thousands, especially orphans and vulnerable children; strengthened regional water networks in Central America to bring clean water to millions; and addressed unique health challenges along the US/Mexico border.

Since our inception, we have brought together diverse individuals and institutions, across traditionally isolated sectors, to increase the impact of our work. Looking to the future, we hope to expand our reach and make an even greater contribution toward addressing the developing world's greatest health challenges.

To those who share our global commitment, we extend our heartfelt appreciation. Together, we will realize a healthier and more hopeful world for children and families in need.

Yours in global concern,

George Guimaraes
President & CEO

John Collins
Chairman,
Board of Directors

Judy Ettinger
Managing Director,
Board of Directors



Photo by Jeffrey Lamont Brown

Project Concern is showing how a community-based, holistic approach... can empower communities to take hold of their own future."

- Dr. Jeffrey Sachs
Director, Earth Institute
at Columbia University

about us

OUR PROGRAMS WORLDWIDE

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Project Concern International is a leading health and humanitarian organization dedicated to building healthy communities and saving the lives of children and families around the world.

Our focus has remained true since 1961 — we work in the most disadvantaged communities to bring health and hope to those in greatest need.

Today, Project Concern reaches more than three million people with the essential ingredients for a healthy, productive life: basic health care, nutritious food, clean water, education, and economic opportunity. We also respond to disasters immediately to alleviate suffering, and over the long term, help people rebuild their lives.

Ultimately, Project Concern is about change, not charity. We help impoverished communities find solutions to the challenges they face, and leave in place the skills and human resources needed to sustain such change.

One way we accomplish this is by playing a vital bridging role between local, national, and global partners and the communities they seek to help. Project Concern's expertise in joining together diverse individuals and institutions results in coordinated and lasting impact.

intervention areas

DISEASE PREVENTION :: Prevention and treatment efforts combat global threats including HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria, polio, and common childhood diseases like measles.

MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH :: Prenatal care, immunizations, breastfeeding, family planning, and women's economic empowerment all contribute to better health for women, children and their families.

FOOD SECURITY :: School breakfast programs, family vegetable gardens, and improved farming and livestock production increase access to nutritious food and reduce childhood malnutrition.

WATER & SANITATION :: Clean drinking water and improved sanitary conditions are the result of promoting hygiene, helping communities build and manage water systems and latrines, and protecting watersheds.

HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE :: Following immediate aid and emergency health care, long-term recovery efforts help communities rebuild and regain self-sufficiency following a disaster.



where we work

OUR GLOBAL REACH



Project Concern's lifesaving impact spans 45 years, 25 nations, and five continents. Today, we work in 11 countries with plans to expand our reach in Africa in the coming year.

results

THE AMERICAS

In 2006, Project Concern provided nutritious daily meals to more than 162,000 children in 2,200 schools in Bolivia. Parent-teacher associations are enlisted at each school to manage aspects of the food distribution program — and to ensure lasting impact beyond Project Concern's involvement.

AFRICA

As part of its AIDS response in Ethiopia and Zambia, Project Concern works with grassroots organizations, government agencies, and hundreds of schools to provide a 'safety net' of support, including education, food,



medical care, emotional counseling and economic opportunities. These services reached more than 18,000 orphans and vulnerable children and nearly 900 caregivers in 2006.

ASIA

Project Concern is addressing the most critical health needs of 180,000 people in Indonesia — improving health care for mothers and children, reducing the threats of HIV and malaria, improving access to clean water, helping tsunami-affected communities recover, and promoting disaster preparedness.

asia

INDIA :: INDONESIA

Indonesian Women Unite to Regain Financial Independence

Project Concern's tsunami recovery efforts are helping almost 5,000 people return to work in Indonesia. The 'Morning Sun' coffee milling group, pictured above, exemplifies the survivors' ability to hold onto hope — and to realize their dreams by supporting one another.

Prior to the tsunami, all the women worked alone in their homes, grinding coffee as their mothers and grandmothers had taught them. But now that they're working together, they not only earn more money, but find the work faster and more enjoyable. They take turns roasting the beans and operating the foot-driven mortar, and pass the hours with stories and laughter.

"Although other organizations are working here," says Ibu Fatimah, "their livelihood programs dictate what we must do and how, so after they leave, those projects will probably end. But with Project Concern, we can form our own groups and decide what we want to do, so we are very happy!"

As sole providers for their families, the women work to pay for basic necessities such as food, clothing, and school fees for their children. They've quickly become astute business women with big plans for opening a coffee shop.

Although they have borne incredible losses, their shared strength keeps them going. This bond is the silver lining that promises hope through even the darkest of times.

As Indonesia's most remote province, Papua is often described as a "lost world." Less than three million people live on this vast island, where scientists recently discovered a trove of

new flora and fauna species hidden within a pristine rainforest. Despite political upheaval and incredible logistical challenges — many human settlements can be reached only by foot — Project Concern has worked continuously in Papua since 1996. It is the only international health organization with this distinction.

With a proven track record for improving maternal and child health in Papua, Project Concern attracted support from numerous and diverse partners in 2006. A program funded by BP, which represents one of the largest private-sector partnerships in Indonesia, led to additional assistance from the Australian and American governments to tackle HIV prevention, family health, and water and sanitation.

Like its work in Papua, Project Concern's efforts throughout Indonesia

and India have expanded dramatically in recent years. More than 500 staff now manages diverse health and humanitarian programs in both countries. Such growth is a testament to the organization's ability to harness the power of collaboration.

In India, for example, Project Concern manages one of the country's most extensive home-based care programs, PATHWAY+, which provides medical care, counseling, and testing, clinic referrals, nutrition support, and economic opportunities to more than 6,000 people living with HIV/AIDS and their families. In three high-risk regions of India, PATHWAY+ is mobilizing hundreds of local organizations, networks of HIV-positive people, and public and private sector partners to provide quality services, increase AIDS awareness, and reduce stigma.



Photo by Jeffrey Lamont Brown :: AIDS Walk volunteers educated millions of individuals to prevent the spread of HIV in India, which has the highest number of people living with HIV/AIDS in the world.



WE WILL CERTAINLY GET
to our destination if we join hands



Photo by Dana Bessenecker :: Quote by Nobel Laureate, Aung San Suu Kyi

AIDS Walk for Life

When thirty-four young men set off on the journey of their lives, embarking on a trek to halt the spread of HIV in India, few people believed they could accomplish their task. But after walking 4,000 miles through the heart of the country in a single year, they proved skeptics wrong — and had educated almost two million people about the deadly, but preventable, disease.

What did it take to accomplish this unprecedented feat? To coordinate the logistics of a year-long AIDS awareness campaign that traversed 300 cities, towns and villages? The level of collaboration was extraordinary. More than 500 organizations worked with Project Concern to make the *AIDS Walk for Life* a reality and a success.

India's government lent massive support, as did partners including UNAIDS, USAID, CARE, Save the Children, and the TCI Foundation. Among the principal backers were General Electric, the Gates Foundation, the Dell Foundation, the Elton John AIDS Foundation, Siemens, Airtel, and other major corporations. Along the route, the Indian Network of Positive People helped humanize HIV and reduce stigma. Youth groups and schools rallied students of all ages. Celebrities lent their voices, too, while hundreds of volunteers, including Project Coordinator Gail Walker, formed the backbone of the entire operation.

Ultimately, the *AIDS Walk for Life* was one of the most ambitious and successful AIDS awareness campaigns ever undertaken. This endeavor has created incredible momentum for the future of HIV/AIDS efforts in India.

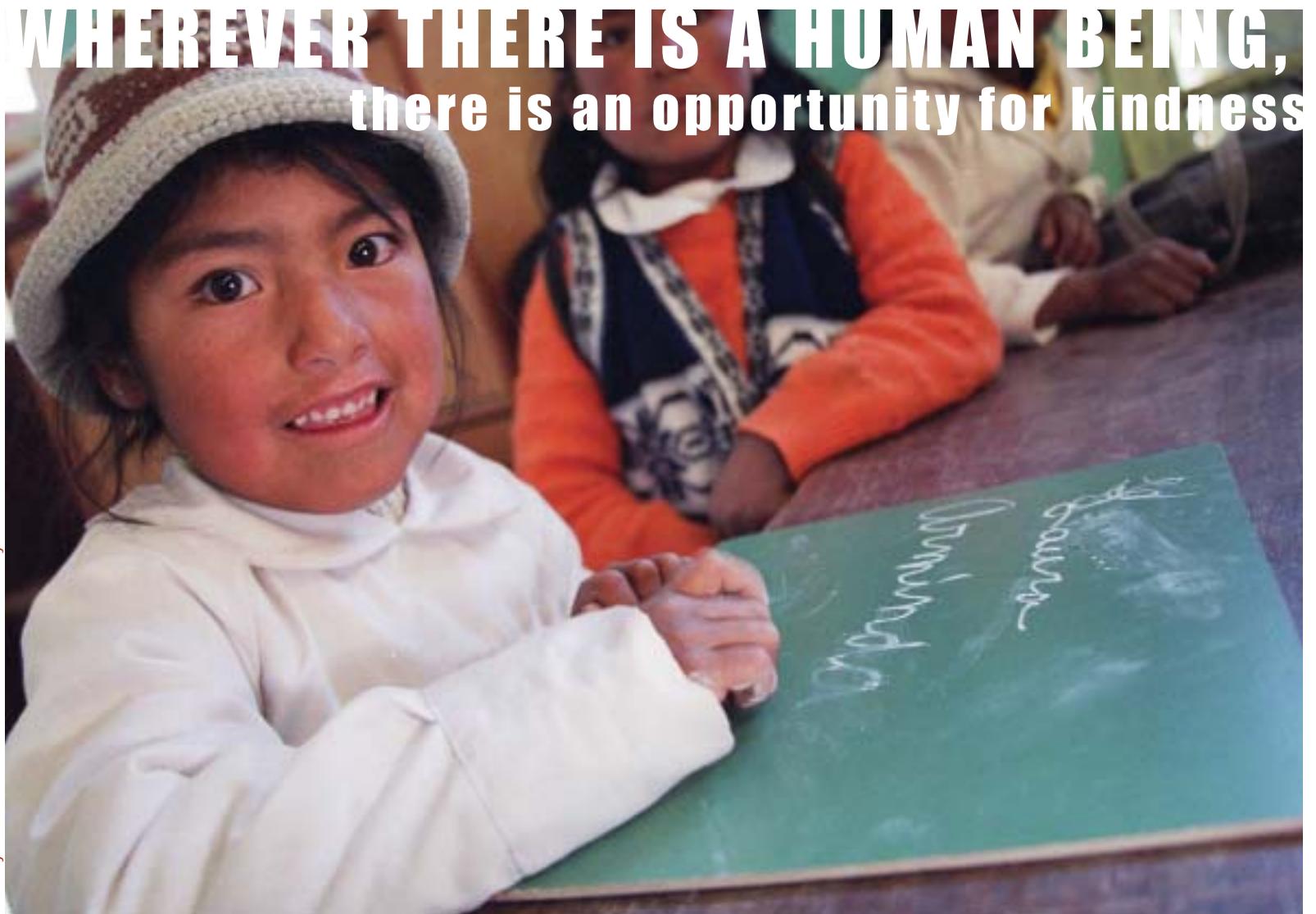


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**WHEREVER THERE IS A HUMAN BEING,
there is an opportunity for kindness**

CASCADA: Clean Water for Central America

Clean water is one of the most basic elements for human survival. Yet Central America, like most developing regions, faces daunting challenges in supplying drinkable water and basic sanitation to its citizens. Millions are adversely affected, with coverage as low as 30 percent in some rural areas of Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and El Salvador.

Fragile democracies, environmental degradation, and natural disasters are all contributing factors. In Nicaragua, for example, more than 1.7 million people lost water supply during Hurricane Mitch. While most were brought back on-line by local efforts, ensuring daily access to clean water for all people in the region requires coordinated, long-term solutions.

With a decade of leadership in the water and sanitation sector in Central America, Project Concern launched the CASCADA initiative in 2003. By strengthening local, national, and regional networks comprised of civil society organizations, governments, private companies, and donor agencies, CASCADA is increasing water and sanitation coverage, reducing duplication of efforts, standardizing policies, and creating a unified voice for advocacy.

In less than three years, successes include new national policies on topics such as water quality and the establishment of national plans for rehabilitating infrastructure after a natural disaster. By building the capacity of local governments and civil society, Project Concern is helping to bring clean water and sanitation to the poorest communities in Central America.

the americas

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In rural Bolivia, windowless adobe huts with dirt floors, combined with poor sanitation and hygiene, create ripe conditions for preventable diseases such as pneumonia, diarrhea, and Chagas.

The success of Project Concern's response to these challenges, a program called Healthy Homes, is largely due to a cooperative learning method called *aprender haciendo* ('learning by doing'). Community members come together to rebuild a single house in the neighborhood, and later apply their new skills to reconstruct their own homes.

Families work long hours pouring cement, laying tile, and plastering ceilings to eliminate cracks where disease-carrying insects dwell. They also build latrines and install smoke-reducing stoves, and receive basic health and hygiene information from trained community volunteers. This transfer of skills and knowledge from one community member to another ensures lasting impact and is bringing better health to more than 5,500 people.

Such collaborative strategies have been a hallmark of Project Concern's work in the Americas since the 1960's, when the organization began training women to deliver basic health care to their neighbors in Tijuana's poorest communities. In 2006, Project Concern and its partners continued to make a lasting impact in the lives of thousands of families on both continents.

For example, due to success along the US/Mexico border, Project Concern recently expanded its tuberculosis prevention and treatment program to reach 13 states in Mexico and launched an initiative to strengthen AIDS prevention for Latinos in California. Like all of our work worldwide, these efforts will be carried out with local and national governments, community groups, and the communities we serve.



Photo by Dana Bessenecker :: Project Concern's CASCADA initiative is giving communities throughout Central America a voice in shaping policies that affect their water rights and water supply.



Photo by Dana Bessenecker

Joining Forces to Feed, Educate Children in Nicaragua

One in three children suffers from chronic malnutrition in rural Nicaragua because of poverty.

"It was truly a dramatic situation. Many students came to school on an empty stomach," said Rosalinda Suarez, an elementary school teacher. "There's not much you can teach children when they are hungry. That changed when Project Concern came to our schools."

In 2004, Project Concern began providing daily breakfasts to nearly 35,000 children in rural Nicaragua, to improve student nutrition, as well as their grades, school enrollment, and retention rates.

"The truly genius element of this program is that it went beyond handing out food, to teaching parents, teachers, schools, and local government how to come together and maintain feeding activities beyond Project Concern's support," said Freddy Blandon, a former mayor in the region.

Parents, for example, donated a small piece of land to grow basic grains like corn and beans, or to raise small farm animals like pigs, chicken, and sheep.

The success of the two-year program, which ended in 2006, has spawned local initiatives that will ensure continued improvements in the schools, including the construction of a new food processing plant to provide school breakfasts.

"By working together," Suarez said, "we improve all aspects of life for our children."

africa

ETHIOPIA :: ZAMBIA

Photo by Dana Bessenecker



Growing Local Capacity To Sustain an AIDS Response

Beatrice Chola founded the Bwafwano Community Home-based Care Organization in Zambia in 1996. As a retired nurse, she wanted to help people suffering from AIDS get the care they needed, closer to home.

Project Concern began partnering with Bwafwano in 1997, training its first group of volunteers. Door-to-door, these caregivers helped families cope with sick loved ones, teaching them how to cook nutritious meals and improve hygiene. But with limited resources, they were unable to provide something as basic as aspirin.

Almost a decade later, Bwafwano operates on an annual budget of \$200,000, and educates, feeds, and provides healthcare to 1,600 orphans every day. Bwafwano's caregivers still visit patients at home, but now they are able to administer lifesaving treatment for tuberculosis and AIDS.

Project Concern has helped Bwafwano gain the skills needed to manage and sustain its steady growth, including strengthening their financial and human resource systems. "You can see how Project Concern has helped build our capacity," said Mrs. Chola. "In just six years, we've gained many new funders."

Since 2002, Project Concern also has been assisting Bwafwano to replicate its successful model. Today, Bwafwano is not only training newer organizations throughout Zambia, it is also acting as a mentor to new partners in Ethiopia.

As a Zambian widow who lost her husband to AIDS, Mrs. Mulenga was in dire straits several years ago. Without the skills to secure a job, she could not support her four children,

who were forced to withdraw from school. The family's meals were cut from three per day to only one. Before they had to resort to more desperate coping measures, Mrs. Mulenga found lifesaving assistance through Project Concern and its partners.

The HIV/AIDS crisis in Africa, where more than 25 million people are living with the virus, is a "perfect storm" fueled by poverty, widespread hunger, gender inequality, and other complex factors. In response, Project Concern is equipping local organizations and governments with the skills and resources they need to deliver and scale-up immediate assistance and lasting solutions to families like Mrs. Mulenga's.

In Zambia and Ethiopia, for example, Project Concern's BELONG program is empowering almost 16,000 women

through business training and small loans, enabling them to care for their families. At the same time, BELONG will reach almost 145,000 vulnerable children with education, nutritious food, health care, and emotional support over the next five years.

Project Concern will continue to bridge traditionally isolated sectors such as health care, education, agriculture, and economic development to mitigate the impact of Africa's ongoing HIV/AIDS crisis — and more importantly, to inspire hope for the future. With a decade of proven results on the continent, from preventing the spread of HIV to caring for orphaned children to supporting patient adherence to AIDS treatment, Project Concern is poised to expand its work into additional countries in Africa in 2007.



Photo by Karen Romano :: Africa Forum participants visit community gardens to learn how to improve nutrition for people living with HIV and AIDS.

UNITY IS STRENGTH

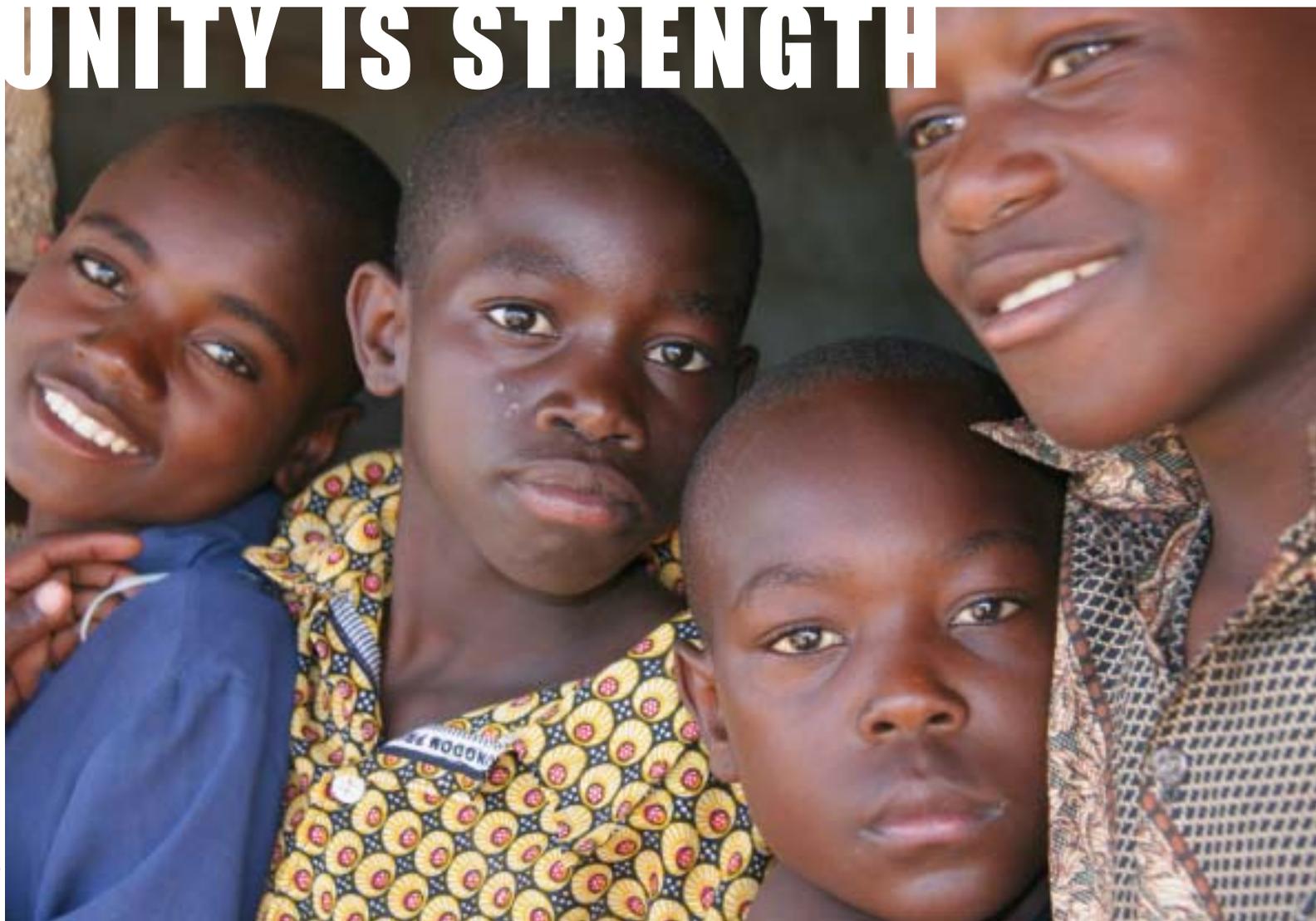


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AFRICA FORUM 2006

Nutritious food is essential at every stage of the HIV/AIDS response, from helping to prevent infection to keeping people alive, healthy and on lifesaving treatment. While an international movement to tackle hunger and AIDS as dual epidemics is growing, greater action is urgently needed.

In response, Project Concern hosted its first Africa Forum in Lusaka, Zambia in May 2006. This unprecedented event drew more than 220 participants from 20 African countries — people working on the frontlines of the growing crisis related to AIDS and widespread hunger.

Local and international organizations joined forces at the Africa Forum to strengthen collective efforts and establish a shared commitment for future action. Participants also learned practical solutions for improving food and livelihood security, visiting local projects such as an HIV support group whose members stay healthy and earn income by eating and selling what they grow.

Throughout the week, participants articulated what actions are needed for integrated HIV/AIDS and food and nutrition security programs to be more effective, on a large scale, across Africa. The resulting Africa Forum Declaration was one of three major international policy developments on the issue in 2006, and an advocacy campaign is now underway, led by Project Concern, to encourage governments, foundations, donors and others to respond to this growing crisis in a much more comprehensive and integrated way.

highlights

HANDS ACROSS BORDERS :: HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE



Photo by Carol Sonstein

One of these days, we shall conquer AIDS. In the name of great Africa, we shall fight and conquer AIDS."

- Dr. Kenneth D. Kaunda

On November 3, 2006, Project Concern honored the founding president of Zambia, Dr. Kenneth Kaunda, with the organization's first Humanitarian Award. Presented at Project

Concern's 16th annual Hands Across Borders gala, the award recognizes Dr. Kaunda as a champion in the fight against AIDS, particularly in Africa.

Dr. Kaunda was at the forefront of African independence and anti-apartheid movements during the 20th century. The loss of one of his sons to AIDS and his country's ongoing crisis — more than one million people are HIV positive in Zambia — inspired him to launch a vigorous campaign in his retirement. Today, at the age of 82, he is a respected global advocate.

Dr. Kaunda and Project Concern first forged a relationship in 2000 because of similar missions to safeguard children

affected by the pandemic. In May 2006, Dr. Kaunda delivered closing remarks at Project Concern's Africa Forum in Zambia, recognizing the urgent need to address AIDS and hunger as dual epidemics.

At a special reception prior to the November gala, Dr. Kaunda greeted members of Project Concern's "Hope for Africa Honor Roll" — more than 30 individuals and organizations in San Diego who are contributing their time, talent and money to address critical issues in Africa. Project Concern conceived of the Honor Roll to underscore the vital need for collaboration and to foster the kind of relationships essential to sustained success.



Photo by Chris Bessenecker :: Ethiopia's drought in 2006 forced families to migrate in search of water.

Humanitarian Assistance Update: A Year of Recovery

Project Concern has responded to some of the most devastating natural disasters in recent history. In 2006, our long-term recovery efforts reached more than 100,000 people affected by the Indian Ocean tsunami and almost 20,000 people recovering from Hurricane Stan in Guatemala. We also delivered clean drinking water to thousands of people affected by drought in Ethiopia.

We remain committed to working with communities to rebuild basic infrastructure, stay healthy, and recover financially. During the last year in Indonesia, for example, our mobile clinics delivered basic health care to nearly 29,000 people, and we helped almost 5,000 people re-establish farming, small businesses, and other livelihoods. Such assistance enables people to regain control of their lives, care for their families, and strive for a better future.

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Honoring Jim McKenzie

James 'Jim' McKenzie was always more about action than words. During his lifetime, he gave back not only in his hometown of San Francisco, but also to the world through his commitment to Project Concern. He inspired many others to get involved, too, including friends and three generations of his own family.



Long-time Project Concern International supporters, James and Marina McKenzie.

Jim and his wife Marina became lifelong supporters of Project Concern in the 1960's, and helped form our San Francisco Bay Area chapter. Early on, Jim's enthusiasm led him to Tijuana over several summers, where he and his family helped renovate Project Concern's *Casa de Todos* community clinic. Jim also encouraged Marina to lend her considerable talents to organize various fundraisers throughout the years. Upon retirement, Jim gave even more of his time to fundraising for Project Concern and other organizations he loved.

We express our heartfelt gratitude for his decades of dedicated service to helping children and families in need. His spirit of caring and compassion will live on through our work.

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Jaipur Investors of San Diego

In 2006, Mohammad Yunus was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for his groundbreaking work offering microcredit to the poor in Bangladesh. His efforts inspired interest among many Americans, particularly because his model, known as the Grameen Bank, promotes self-sufficiency.

One group of San Diego-area friends joined together in the fall of 2005 to provide startup capital for a new Project Concern micro-credit program to empower women in India. "Jaipur Investors" Karen and Ed Mercaldo, Rick and Bonnie Rule, and Ron and Lucille Neeley helped Project Concern establish the first dedicated microfinance institution in the organization's 45-year history.



The Rules know firsthand the poverty-defeating potential of a well-run microcredit project. "Given the opportunity to become involved in a project that combines Project Concern's organizational strengths with the time-proven Grameen model," they said, "we jumped at the chance."

The investment enables Project Concern to provide loans and other financial services to women entrepreneurs, many of whom raise cattle or operate small trading businesses to support their families. One year after its launch, the program now serves 2,000 women and is projected to reach complete financial self-sufficiency in 2007, serving more than 6,000 active borrowers by 2010.

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**Dr. Catherine Mackey,
Pfizer La Jolla**

Dr. Catherine Mackey is senior vice president of Pfizer Global Research & Development; head of its pharmaceutical R&D operation in La Jolla, California; and one of Project Concern's newest Board members. She offers a unique perspective on global health challenges and the ways Project Concern's mission fits with Pfizer's commitment to solving unmet health needs and saving lives.

"Worldwide, resources are needed to address the monumental challenge of global disease treatment and cure. I am confident we will see continuing advances in developing new medicines, and I am hoping we see similar advances in building the infrastructure and clinics that will get new medicines to where they are needed.

But it's not just getting new medicines to underdeveloped countries. The World Health Organization is calling for increased investments in education and infrastructure — the trained staff and medical facilities to treat patients in remote regions, not just once, but in a regular regimen. Getting members of some cultures to even consider visiting a clinic or discussing taboo topics such as safe sex requires both governmental and non-governmental organizations such as Project Concern."

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Dr. James Turpin, Project Concern Founder & Volunteer

Dr. James Turpin founded Project Concern in 1961 after saving the lives of two small children in Mexico who were suffering from pneumonia. His mission to help people help themselves led to the organization's first programs — in Hong Kong, Vietnam, Tijuana, Indonesia, Appalachia, and the Navajo Reservations. While no longer active in Project Concern's day-to-day operations, he has become a passionate advocate in his retirement, promoting our work and volunteering in areas where his medical skills are needed.

Recently, Dr. Turpin spent four months volunteering for Project Concern in Guatemala and working closely with local staff to provide treatment for those in need of immediate care. His talents were a valuable asset at *Casa Materna*, a clinic for women experiencing at-risk pregnancies.

“I had the indescribable experience of going with staff to the nearby hospital where women deliver their babies, in circumstances where without the stabilizing care of *Casa Materna* throughout the last few weeks of gestation, the babies’ — even the mothers themselves — might well have not survived!” he recalls. “I wish that you could see the smiles on the mother's faces — and hear the babies' healthy cry.”

Four decades after his first life-changing volunteer experience in Mexico, Dr. Turpin continues to embody the spirit and philosophy of an organization that is improving the health of millions worldwide.



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Prior to the December 2004 tsunami, most women who worked outside of the home in Nagapattinam, India earned a meager living selling fish. They had few opportunities to increase their incomes and improve their lives.

Understanding the potential to help women not only recover from the disaster, but also gain skills for a brighter future, the Avon Foundation joined forces with Project Concern early in 2006 to establish Centers for Knowledge in eight hard-hit villages on India's southeast coast.

The Centers for Knowledge offer critical services, including literacy and computer classes, health and legal referrals, and job placement assistance. More than 1,600 girls and women — one female member of every family in the target area — will benefit within three years.

“Since 1955, the Avon Foundation has been committed to improving the lives of women globally, and responding to disasters such as the tsunami is one way we bring this mission to life,” said Carol Kurzig, Executive Director of the Avon Foundation. “We are proud to fund the work of Project Concern, to help these girls and women prosper, and thereby help their families and communities.”

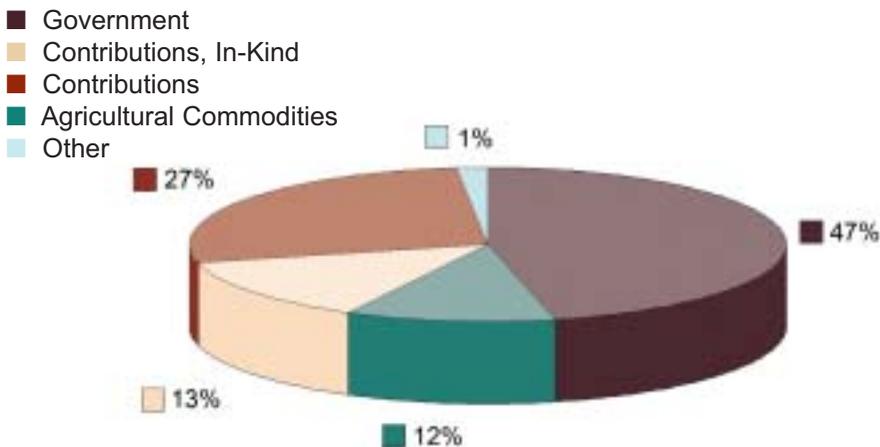
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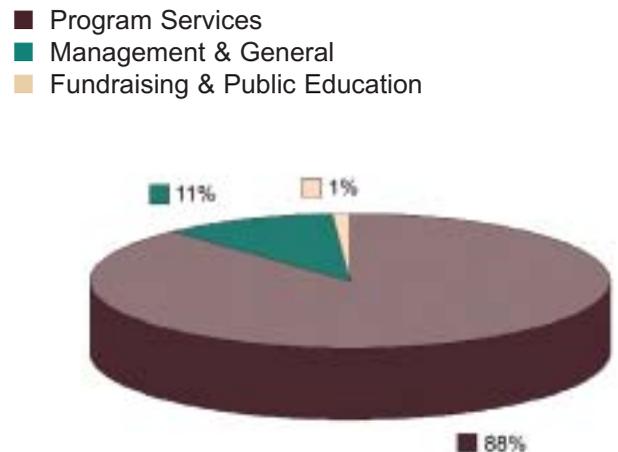
Years Ended September 30, 2006 & 2005

	2006	2005
SUPPORT & REVENUE		
Cash Support		
Government	\$14,465,850	\$17,502,353
Contributions	8,470,232	6,571,842
Other	212,755	185,312
Investment Income	93,713	92,812
	23,242,550	24,352,319
Non-Cash Support		
Agricultural Commodities	3,571,074	5,421,257
Contributions, In-Kind	4,189,084	6,003,803
	7,760,158	11,425,060
Total Support & Revenue	30,348,211	35,777,379
Program Services		
26,630,718		31,301,065
Supporting Services		
Management & General	3,257,245	3,508,072
Fundraising	368,059	376,184
Total Expenses	30,256,022	35,185,321
NET ASSETS		
Net Assets, End of Period	\$3,326,618	\$2,579,932

SOURCES OF REVENUE - FY 2006



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