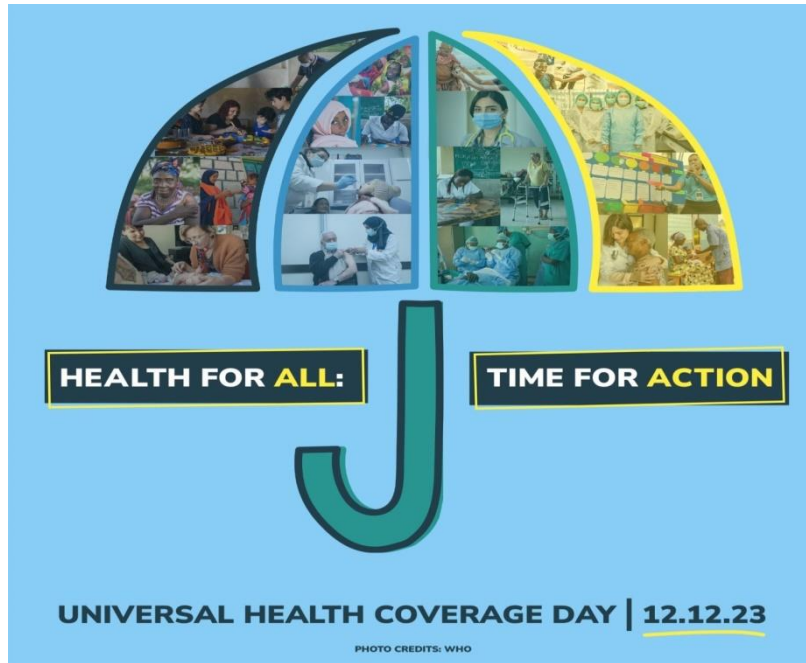


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ABOUT CAFAF-GHANA 360 ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AID FOUNDATION (NGO) is a Ghanaian National Non-Governmental Organization with a global thinking and acting locally, currently exclusively identified with promoting the empowerment of women, communities, young people to manage issues concerning their development and to advocate for and work towards adolescent and sexual reproductive health, rights and well-being; to advocate for and on behalf of young people, in the area of reproductive health, HIV/AIDS, environmental health education, climate change, and other related issues that affect their total development. Aim at hosting the largest effort of reaching out to youth of Ghana to appreciate and respond to their sexual health rights needs for a bright future and promoting their development toward the nations building.

CAFAF is registered under Registration Act 1963 No 21446 founded in 2006; the organization is also registered under the social welfare system DSW NO 3692. The work of CAFAF has spread over the entire Accra-region, has determined to organize the various programmes for the better livelihood, protection and sustainable development. CAFAF is working in the field of Integrated Rural Development, HIV/AIDS/maternal health, sexual reproductive health, promotion of Traditional Health System and Involvement and Advocacy for the social issues having a definite bearing on the life of people.

CAFAF has come forward with a strong faith that its efforts will uplift the socio economic condition of those people who have been neglected and denied for their rightful share of the society for centuries. The Organization work jointly with the people inviting them to participate actively in solving their own problems, The Organization support their reasonable demand and decision and encourage them to discover and utilize the available natural resources. CAFAF trusts that the spread of education will help them to overcome their deep rooted superstitions and social evils regarding emerging trends.

AT CAFAF We Say: FOR PEOPLE, DEVELOPMENT, AND GENERATIONS

OUR VISION

To **see** and play a leading role for a better **world** that promotes both **our human and natural resources tapping**, to stimulate development resulting in improvement where **all are happy and useful**

OUR MISSION

CAFAF: exist to **create possibilities** to **improve lives**, where our **development interventions** will live **indelible mark** on **people, communities** and **underserved populations** to fashion a world, where **all** will be **happy and useful** including **respectively** living for **others** to **reflect equal, participatory economy** releasing that **a person is a person through other persons** as a lasting **legacy** for **generations** to **come for replication**.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) accordingly and by our constitution and policies remains the highest decision making body which looks into the overall operations and mandates of the organization. It is convened yearly and when the need arise equally tasked to meet for emergency to undertake critical decisions on key issues prevailing at the time. It brings together on one platform both dues and none paying dues members. This kind of encounter is set to review, act, and appraise the general performance of the management of the organization. Aftermath of satisfactory of the works of the management their contract is extended to another period agreed upon. Therefore the AGM is the heart beat of the foundation for which reason their decisions is central in the affairs of the organization.

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

Beyond the operations of the AGM comes the executive management team led by a nucleus constituted set of expertise that are mandated to put the decisions of the AGM into action. They convey a series of meetings during which both financial and narrative activities reports ..are presented for thorough review by members. Thus, the executive management operates the organization for and on behalf of the members of the AGM. The chairman elected at the bi-annual AGM is expected to play active role and be the mouth piece of the AGM in the administration of the foundation all the time in the day to day running of the foundation.

Additionally, the Executive Director, is expected to expand the administration pattern of the organization and when necessary to make running of the secretariat smooth upon consultation with the chair person in the cause of time. The members of staff and volunteers is unlimited for which reason the Executive Director takes into accounts the available resources,needs,projects,situation vacant before recruiting people into the organization.

THE SECRETARIATE

The Secretariat is managed with the support of core staffs and the chairperson of the foundation. The Executive Director supervisors and coordinates all activities that take place from administration to other forms of engagement. Refer to our administrative documents for details. The secretariat is also mandated to venture into other key activities when necessary to the extent of having the power to open offices in other regions should the need be and where the resource for implementation of projects are available to do so.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICES: CAFAF by its constitution is free to operate foreign policy advocacy service across the globe. In this vain management is expected to follow the due processes in securing the necessary permits to operate at such levels. In 2013 quiet a number of people approached the foundation seeking permission to open similar offices outside the country to articulate the mission and vision of the foundation at such levels. Such permission has been granted to a group in Kenya and management is in constant touch with them supporting them to put the necessary structures in place. Outcomes of such engagement will be communicated into our next report in the coming years. These offices are not to rub shoulders with the mother organization rather play complementary role in making the voice of people count through policy influence.

REGIONAL FOCAL POINT

CAFAF in the future hopes to operate in other regions in Ghana. As per our constitution management is in consultation with other Networks with possibility of opening office in a region that we are likely to begun implementing activities there. Such offices will be mined by regional representatives with core staff and volunteers where necessary. They will be expected to report to the regional office depending on the type of activities and projects offered on the grounds.

MEMBERSHIP: The organization recognizes two sets of members; they include direct and indirect members.

DIRECT MEMBERS: They are individuals and organizations who have interest in the organization. Such members pay dues and are engaged in most of the activities of the foundation as and when time will allow them. They are given specific tasks and targets to achieve which is supervised by a senior management member. These volunteers' members also represent the foundation at different levels of interaction and are mandated to raise funds to boost the operations of the foundation.

INDIRECT MEMBERS/INVISIBLE

They are also known as shadow members they do not play active role in the activities of the organization but are expected to contribute resources on regular basis to support the operations of the organization. Management communicates and updates such members from time to time via sending them of reports, plan of actions, upcoming events, correspondence to update them. They also have the free hand to come on board subject to official notification of management to perform other tasks if one wishes to do so.

PARTNERSHIP MEMBERS: These are organizations and coalitions who are by the virtue of our constitution are allowed to join the organization after meeting our standard of participation requirement. Such members become franchise members and it allows them to use our tools and resources from time to time to champion our cause in the common interest for mutual development. They are expected to benefit from our free trainings, workshops, consultancy, services, meetings, opportunities where necessary etc.

BENEFICIARIES AND COMMUNITIES: Whatever CAFAF does affect lives and our natural resources directly and indirectly which can be found in communities. Therefore these terms are used interchangeably to depict the nature of people and communities we operate in based on our resources.

BENEFICIARIES: They are our target audience who are reached with our range of interventions from time to time based on identification of their needs and wants.

COMMUNITIES

These are the geographical locations of our activities toward achieving our specific goals and mission. It changes depending on the projects and stakeholders and partnership activities. The entire structure of the organization uses either top to down or bottom to the top .its approach largely rests on the beneficiaries and communities for which reason we do not joke with them at all. The social marketing and donor supports received by the organization are directed to such areas to achieve the needed outcomes at the end of every intervention. Apart from this brief presentation on the governance structure, management has a pictorial view of the structure itself which can be referred to in our cooperate governance policy document .CAFAF have in place the necessary evidence which has been largely used, up dated to operate and conform to best practices and international standard from time to time. In 2014, further steps will be taken to up date and review the policies to correspond with International and local demand standards in the field of NGOs operation.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Management of community and family aid foundation are happy to being into the light enormous contribution receive from individuals and organization in the cause of time .we are forever grateful for helping us to help. These include but not limited to

International

The World Health Organization (Geneva)

The 100 Climate Project (The Ministry Of Environment In France, And The Embassy Here In Ghana)

Inroads- (International Network For The Prevention Of Abortion Related Stigma And Discrimination

Women Thrive –Usa

Alive Association Of Living Values Eductaors (Alive)

Global Reporting Initiative

Global Health Strategies

The Universal Health Coverage Team –USA

Local

Apple Project

Ghana Alliance For Improve Cookstoves And Fuels (Ghacco)

Abantu For Development

Work Partnership International (Wpi)

Ghana Coalition Of Ngos In Health

Ghana Hiv /Aids Network (Ghanet)

World Class

Prestige Health Service

Manchie Women /Food Processing Group-Ga West (Hon. Comopfrt Zomelo)

Rural Project Support Network Work (Madam Felicia Sous)

Ghana News One (Joseph Wemakor)

CAFAF-GHANA 360 Volunteers, Stakeholders And Staff

APPLE –Project

Women Of Dignity Alliance (Madam Susan Dartey)

Atc Fior Change(James Town-Gamashie)

Act For Life (Ga West- Kutunse)

- Ghana Climate Change Coalition As Partners And Stakeholders

-Artisan And Manufactures Representation (Sellers, Distributors Etc)

- Ministry Of Environment, Science, Technology And Innovation (MESTI) Of Ghana
- Ministry Of Gender, Children And Social Protection (MGCSP) Of Ghana
- Ghana Coalition Of NGOS In Health
- Disabled Christians Fellowship
- ACT For Change
- DOVE Consults
- APPLE Project
- Local Councils
- Ghana Alliance For Clean Cookstoves
- Sustainable Energy For All Network, Ghana



Message from the Executive Director

Dear All and Sundry,

I am extremely delighted to come back to you once again with our **Annual Report** of activities covering 2023. Looking back, all I can say in summary is ***together we have combine the power of our common interest to deliver as one.***

Throughout 2023, we have covered the length and breadth of mother Ghana including passionately bringing our expertise and concerns to the global lime light in making case for issues that matters most.

In this report you will find how these efforts have culminated into the considerable returns that keep the global community committed to reforms and improved leadership actions for change.

We as organization believe in our cause and stand for what matters most; we are always prepared to sacrifice the last at the peril of our lives.

Simply put: we have lived for others, impacted lives and making our actions touching lives.

Glue yourself to this report and share your personal take on it

In doing so, you may realize the value for money adventures that we have undertaken in the cause of time.

Finally, there comes 2024 with an unknown turn out of event, thus, we still will count on you and your supports to make the necessary inroads.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



- GOAL 1 END POVERTY
- GOAL 2 END HUNGER
- GOAL 3 WELL-BEING
- GOAL 4 QUALITY EDUCATION
- GOAL 5 GENDER EQUALITY
- GOAL 6 WATER AND SANITATION FOR ALL
- GOAL 7 AFFORDABLE AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY
- GOAL 8 DECENT WORK FOR ALL
- GOAL 9 TECHNOLOGY TO BENEFIT ALL
- GOAL 10 REDUCE INEQUALITY
- GOAL 11 SAFE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES
- GOAL 12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION BY ALL
- GOAL 13 STOP CLIMATE CHANGE
- GOAL 14 PROTECT THE OCEAN
- GOAL 15 TAKE CARE OF THE EARTH
- GOAL 16 LIVE IN PEACE
- GOAL 17 MECHANISMS AND PARTNERSHIPS TO REACH THE GOALS





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Dr. Joseph Senyo Kwashie

From The Global President

Dear all,

I take this opportunity to thank you for being part of the journey and success stories of our noble foundation founded years ago with the ultimate goal of impacting lives and leaving positive footprints of change from generation to generations.

Indeed, the year 2023 saw a lot of trying times but equally worth experiencing it

The year in review leaves much to be desired

So far, from far and near the positive change, interactions and above all 12 months of action packed activities on the grounds speak volume.

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AID FOUNDATION, utilize our presence and contributions on different platform, countries and communities to change the narratives. This annual reports says it all

As an organization we have had a fair share of the limited funding setbacks and the shrinking civic spaces challenges including global shocks from the many crises that impacted the civil society spaces from all over.

This reports shares details and few interventions we championed in the cause of year, delivering actively and in partnership with likeminded individuals and organizations from all over.

As we sincerely welcome year 2024, management and for that matter friends and supporters, we count on your enviable donations, in-kind supports to sail through together and collectively.



MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

Remember at Community And Family Aid Foundation-Ghana , we say help us to help 360

From The Board

Our cherished; friends and supporters

We have come to the end of the road saying good bye to year 2023. We at the helm of affairs are proud to have contributed our attentions, skills and expertise to shape the noble works of the foundation.

We can look back with pride and say. Yes we can and we have just done that collectively

This reports provides the evidences of what had taken places and what awaits us in 2024

Whilst we brace ourselves to the realities ahead, we see this vivid account as a shared responsibility, thus, we as board members looks forward to another year with renewed support from you all.

Any resources channeled to this foundation are effectively and efficiently managed. The year by year reports produced by management of community and family aid foundation clearly speaks and say it all. We encourage everyone to come on board with your supports and in doing so; the sustainability of the foundation will be solidified

Thank you



Ghana Diabetes Alert Campaign-Walking The Talk

KNOW YOUR RISK, KNOW YOUR RESPONSE

1 in 10 adults worldwide have diabetes. Over 90% have type 2 diabetes. Close to half are not yet diagnosed. In many cases, type 2 diabetes and its complications can be delayed or prevented by adopting and maintaining healthy habits. Knowing your risk and what to do is important to support prevention, early diagnosis and timely treatment.

Ghana is having a fair share of the Diabetes case on regular basis and report from the national diabetes programs calls for a rapid responses and contributions from all sectors. Community And Family Aid Foundation COMMITMENT TO MASS HEALTH EDUCATION AND AWARENESS CREATRION leaves much to be desired.

This has become a major concerns to put in efforts and complement government health institutions efforts in handling diabetes issues as a national health emergency .to this end our noble flagship project is a step up efforts of changing the narrative and fostering effective public engagement and awareness creation ,treatment,support ,cure,and advocacy for effective national resources mobilization to curb the incidence of diabetes on the national scope .

Here is a summary of our flagship interventions

The Ghana Diabetes Alert Campaign-Walking The Talk , host a series of Diabetes education workshops,community alerts campaigns,training, policy dialogues,treatment,support and above all offer health systems strengthening interventions to arrest the incidence of diabetes scourge

Our education team conveys and leads workshops for patients living with diabetes mellitus. Workshops are aimed at providing education in an interactive group setting where patients learn about the care and treatment of diabetes. Workshops are provided in various formats, including partial and day-long sessions on diabetes.

workshops address the following:

- Healthy Eating – Making healthy food choices is central to managing diabetes
- Being Active – Regular physical activity is important for improving overall health
- Monitoring – Knowing your levels is important for good control, and learning what to do with your numbers is integral
- Taking Medication – Medications are frequently part of a diabetes treatment plan
- Problem Solving – Learn strategies for dealing with diabetes related problems
- Reducing Risks – Learn how you have the ability to delay or avoid complications
- Healthy Coping – Living with diabetes can be overwhelming, learn how to decrease stress and improve your outlook

WE ARE HAPPY TO HAVE REACHED OUT TO QUIET A NUMBER OF PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES IN THE CAUSE OF THE YEAR WITH A SUMMARY OF RESUTS AS FOLLOWS

Schools and students 500 combination of males and females

Churches,women, and youth groups1555

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We hope to scale up and train more solid and vibrant groups to services a major transmitters of the knowledge and information to the larger communities and stakeholders through director volunteers as peers education known in our project designs as champions for change agents/Ambassador ...

Photo credits

Scenes of public education held in partnership with rural project support network at the Abokobi community in Accra on the 10 of November 2023



Scenes of Ghana Diabetes strategic awareness members meeting in Ghana on 9th August 2023

WHAT NEXT

DIABETES AND WELL-BEING

Diabetes and well-being is the theme for World Diabetes Day 2024 to 2026.

Our foundation will continue with our good works and will continue with the supports of partners and stakeholders offer our noble public awareness and education services in tandem with our annual work plan for 2024 and beyond.

Our foundation and management team believes that the fight and breakthrough interventions for addressing and treating diabetes is not a one to two days events rather a daily efforts at all fronts.we will mobilize both financial and human resources to champion this cause and will never relents in our efforts of saving lives to the last miles.





Ghana National diabetes policy dialogues on 5-7th April,2023

Our direction, activities and flow in 2023

- Gamashie Development Agency,
- Solomon,
- Schools,
- ACT FOR Change,

Paper for the COSMOS outcome set,

Original research

An interpretative phenomenological analysis of the lived experience of people with multimorbidity in low- and middle-income countries

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Abstract

People living with multimorbidity (PLWMM) have multiple needs and require long-term personalised care, which necessitates an integrated people-centred approach to healthcare. However, people-centred care may risk being a buzzword in global health and cannot be achieved unless we consider and prioritise the lived experience of the people themselves. This study captures the lived experiences of PLWMM in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) by exploring their perspectives, experiences, and aspirations.

We analysed 50 semi-structured interview responses from 10 LMICs across three regions—South Asia, Latin America, and Western Africa—using an interpretative phenomenological analysis approach.

The bodily, social, and system experiences of illness by respondents were multidirectional and interactive, and largely captured the complexity of living with multimorbidity. Despite expensive treatments, many experienced little improvements in their conditions and felt that healthcare was not tailored to their needs. Disease management involved multiple and fragmented healthcare providers with lack of guidance, resulting in repetitive procedures, loss of time, confusion, and frustration. Financial burden was exacerbated by lost productivity and extreme finance coping strategies, creating a vicious cycle. Against the backdrop of uncertainty and disruption due to illness, many demonstrated an ability to cope with their conditions and navigate the healthcare system. Respondents' priorities were reflective of their desire to return to a pre-illness way of life—resuming work, caring for family, and maintaining a sense of independence and normalcy despite illness. Respondents had a wide

range of needs that required financial, health education, integrated care, and mental health support.

In discussion with respondents on outcomes, it appeared that many have complementary views about what is important and relevant, which may differ from the outcomes established by clinicians and researchers. This knowledge needs to complement and be incorporated into existing research and treatment models to ensure healthcare remains focused on the human and our evolving needs.

Data availability statement

Data are available upon reasonable request and subject to approval by the COSMOS group. Part of the data is available in online supplemental file 4.

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Statistics from Altmetric.com

Ethics statements

Patient consent for publication

Not applicable.

Ethics approval

This study involves human participants and ethical clearance was received from the University of York (HSRGC/2020/409/D: COSMOS) and relevant local ethics committees for all participating sites. Trial registration: COMET registration 1580. Participants gave informed consent to participate in the study before taking part.

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Our partnership

This partnership was arrived at as a result of a series of online meeting held with organization based in UK called PROPER CONTENT.

Proper Content is an independent production company based in London, and one of the only Black-owned production companies in the UK, specialized in premium documentaries for British and global broadcasters. Everything we create is underpinned by social purpose: we want our programmes to make a difference, challenging injustices and creating real change.

FOR 2023 the organization produced new, premium 8-part series for Paramount+, championing stories from across the globe of ordinary people fighting for a better world. Each film will feature the unfolding human stories of people facing challenges in a specific location. the stories are unique, they will have global resonance. Some of the stories we work on are:

- Deforestation in Ecuador and its impacts in the indigenous communities
- Cost of living crisis in London
- LGBTQ rights in the United States
- Maternal health in the United States
- Overfishing in Scotland
- Refugee crisis in Denmark

HERE IN GHANA

We researched and contacted grassroots organization in other parts of the world to explore about other potential stories for the series. All the leads to spoke about on the call seemed very interesting. We settled on the following organizations Gamashie Development Agency, the great thinkers -Solomon, Schools, ACT FOR Change, and finally selected Young visionary leaders Foundation

One of the stories that we explore WAS about pollution and access to water in Ghana. We have been researching trying to find community organizers' stories on this front. We are looking to contact people on the ground in Ghana that are advocating for change for the communities around them. We have been looking at stories related to plastic pollution and access to water, mainly, but we are open to other subjects like health, for example. Mainly, we are looking to reach out to **a strong, boots on the ground, community organiser** that could guide the audience through the documentary. The film will follow the work and story of this person, which will open the doors to other people in the community that are struggling with the issue through different angles.

The final production

Now after a series of consultation the production of the documentary team from UK arrived in Ghana at the early part of 2023 around January. They were 10 people in all. They spent 3 weeks on the grounds meeting stakeholders, including audiences for the documentary, issues to film and above all the crew for each sites both in the Volta region, Accra and among others.

What next

As at the end of December,2023 the tam at proper conveyed messages of assurances that the final products will be ready in 2024,and that they are still working and putting finishing touches to the documentary.

We at community and family aid foundation look forward to share the products with all in the coming months. We are happy to be associated with evidence based advocacy activities that will not only look at the short term impact but the long lasting efforts of not only demanding what is right in Ghana but across the globe of being part of the real time change makers.



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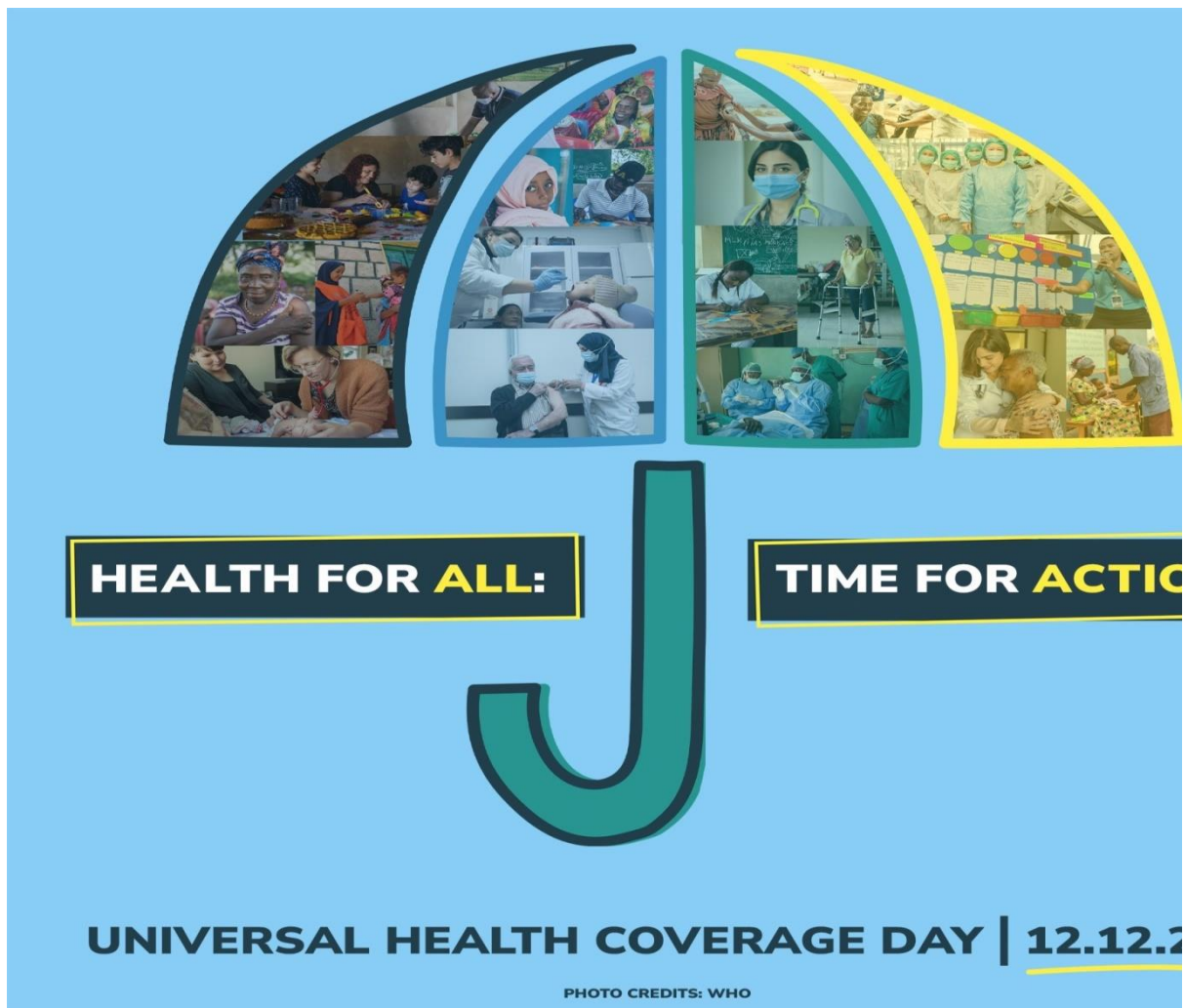
Thank You for Making UHC Day 2023 a Success!

READ IN APP

Our foundation has been at the fore front of celebrating and bringing the issues Of Universal Health Coverage Day since 2015 and in Ghana is known to be the official record holder since then.

2023 was equally a success, noting the numerous engagement at all levels, members, staff and volunteers actively engaged in .key among them is the High Level UHC meeting in 2023.The United Nations High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage, held on 21 September 2023, reaffirmed that healthy people are the foundation of healthy societies and economies and that UHC is central to achieving all of the Sustainable Development Goals.

What we did again



In the lead-up to UHC Day 2023, management officially submitted our activities planned for the 12th December, 2023 global celebration executive summary of our Ghana national plan of action. This information was granted attention and posted on all official UC DAY 2023

CELEBRATION advertisement all levels.in summaries we call on your leaders to act on these commitments.

The opportunity was used to share the energy, momentum, and commitment from the #HealthForAll community:

The global movement to build stronger health systems for universal health coverage

Here Is Our Brief Press Summary

TODAY IS: - Universal Health Coverage Day 2023

12.12.2023 –Tuesday

UHC Day 2023 Theme: Health For All: Time For Action

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AID FOUNDATION- GHANA and partners, says Time For Action Is NOW

We all get up each day hoping to be in good health and to go about achieving our daily aspirations in life. Such is life...but this same life is unpredictable as ill health can set in at any time. How prepared our society and health systems are put in readiness to help us in terms of need matters most. Thus, UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE must be the mainstay of all and must encompass 24/7 interrupted safe, sound, available, affordable, and accessible regardless of one's socioeconomic status.

And yet:

- ❓ Half of the world's population does not have access to essential health services.
- ❓ An estimated 2 billion people face financial hardship due to out-of-pocket health expenses, including 344 million people living in extreme poverty.
- ❓ since the launch of the SDGs in 2015 – even before the COVID-19 pandemic – the expansion of health service coverage had stalled and financial protection had deteriorated.

The pandemic has set countries further back in their journey towards universal health coverage. It has also shown why UHC is so important.

It is time to get progress towards health for all back on track.

Beyond health and well-being, UHC also contributes to social inclusion, equality, ending poverty, economic growth and human dignity.

Build the world we want: A healthy future for all in the world we want, everyone everywhere has access to quality healthcare whenever they need it without suffering financial hardship [across sectors and issue areas](#).

The United Nations High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage, held on 21 September 2023, reaffirmed that healthy people are the foundation of healthy societies and economies, and that UHC is central to achieving all of the Sustainable Development Goals.

We as organization call on world leaders, donors, and all concerned citizens, that this year's celebration must not end with the business as usual promises and big speeches, big promises unfulfilled, the usual media displays, write ups, which end up on the shelves. Go back and fold our arms waiting for the next year...

It's time for action and the time for action is now

Yes we can achieve UHC Collectively: Health For All: Time For Action

Thank you for making UHC Day 2023 such a success! With dozens of high-level UHC champions, 100+ UHC events and counting, and a flagship town hall event, 12.23.23 has been an exciting milestone for our community to rally together to support health systems that leave no one behind.



THANKS FOR SUPPORTING THE OPEN LETTER

Signed by **1,188** individuals and
organisations from over 90 countries

TB  VAX ARM

Stop  Partnership
Working Group on New TB Vaccines

Documentary About Pollution And Access To Water In Ghana For Paramount+

One of the flagship project executed during the period was documentary about pollution and access to water in Ghana in 2023.



Join us for our the International Clean Cooking Ambassadors Training (I.C.C.A.T) on the Theme " Green Education for A Sustainable Future" Date : 9 - 11 November 2023 Time :9:00

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Recap of our 2023 | Nurturing abortion justice worldwide



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International Network for the Reduction of Abortion Discrimination and Stigma



Community And Family Aid Foundation –is a staunch member of the INROADS community globally, and has benefited immensely in all the action pack activities both online and off line.2023 afforded us the opportunity to contribute to the global causes and discourses that took place.

We firm believe in the power of our abortion justice ecosystem! Aligned with our goals to build a values-driven and transparent organization, we have curated a 2023 recap of our work in leading efforts to build a world where everyone can access stigma-free abortions.

This recap offers a glimpse of all the specific initiatives we co-led across the world to:

- Resource abortion justice movements
- Build spaces for collective power and solidarity
- Shift power and uplift abortion stigma-busting voices
- Amplify our collective wisdom to strengthen the ecosystem

Read our recap to see the many ways we nurtured the abortion justice ecosystem in 2023!

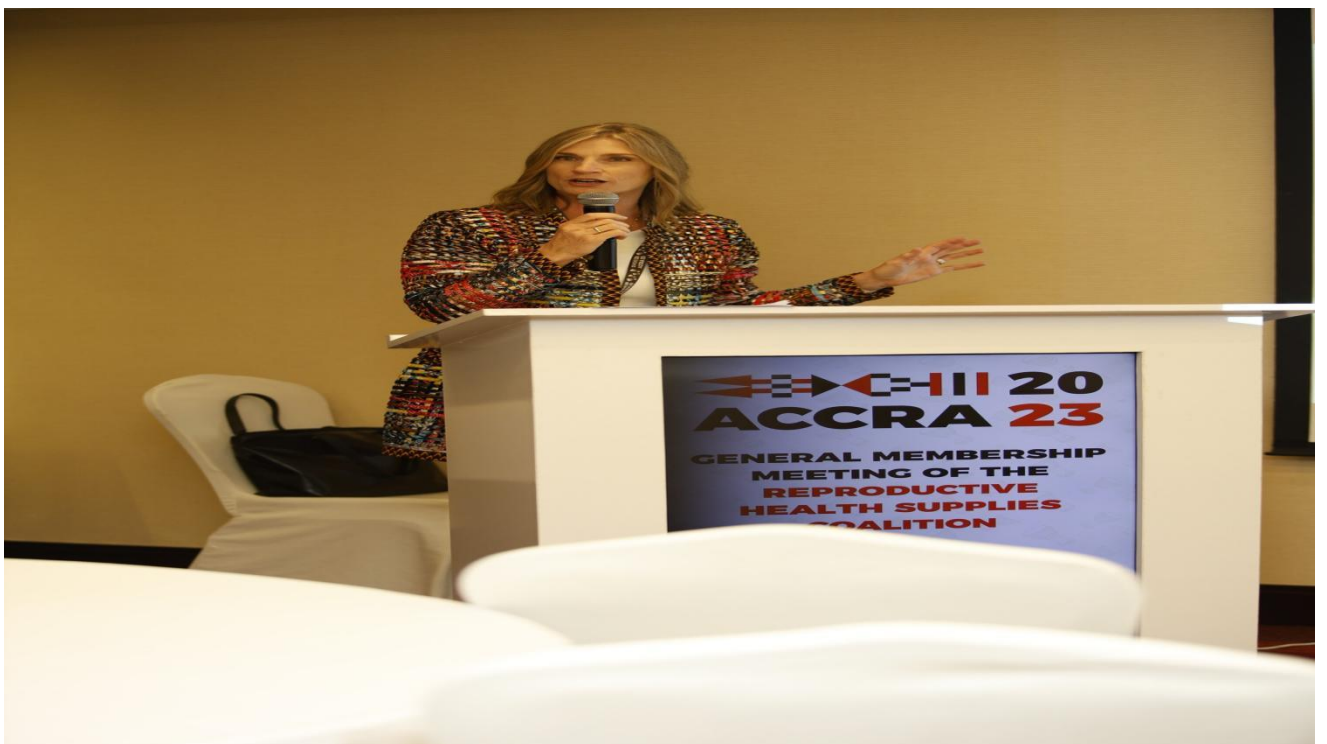
All the powerful ways you can nourish the movement:

- [Donate](#) | Nourish the efforts to bust abortion stigma!
- [Gift](#) | For the holiday season, you can celebrate your loved ones by sharing the gift of furthering reproductive rights in someone else's honor!

- [Amplify](#) | Share with anyone who might be interested in getting involved. If you are already a member, share our network with colleagues, allies, and friends who might be interested in joining.

Let's keep making inroads on abortion stigma for a happier, healthier, and more just world!







THE 20TH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING OF THE REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SUPPLIES COALITION

Join us in Accra as we reflect on the pandemic's impact on money, markets, and movement, drawing lessons from our sector's response, and celebrating our unique resilience. Come prepared to reflect on strategic questions about the RHSC's past successes, areas for change, and inclusion of our members.

Our foundation members attended the RHSC Systems Strengthening Working Group (SSWG) in-person meeting at the Coalition's [General Membership Meeting \(GMM\)](#). This was held on Tuesday, Oct 17th at 2pm local time at the Kempinski Hotel in Accra. There was *no* virtual/remote participation for this meeting.

WE ARE WASH CHAMPION IN GHANA AND BEYOND

As part of our contributions to the Ghana national dialogues on water and sanitation for all...we are happy to bring to your attention that we were featured prominently in most WAS activities during the year under review. Your esteemed organization is a full member of the [National Level Learning Alliance Platform, which is a platform in Ghana handling \(NLLAP\)](#)

The last event for the year was held under the theme : *Strengthening Systems for WASH in Healthcare Facilities in Ghana*

We participated in all learning and sharing meetings held in the cause of the year.

The last of such event was held on Thursday, 19th October, 2023

Coconut Grove Hotel, Accra at **9:30 am prompt**

WaterAid Ghana in collaboration with the Resource Centre Network (RCN) hosted the learning and sharing session on the theme,

Strengthening Systems for WASH in Healthcare Facilities in Ghana (Part II)

WaterAid Ghana in collaboration with the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation is implementing the Sustainable Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Healthcare Facilities (WASH in HCFs) advocacy project to strengthen WASH and health systems, accelerating the coverage of reliable access to safe water and affordable, inclusive, and sustainable WASH services within HCFs in Ghana. Several studies have been undertaken with a focus on the Wassa East and Asutifi North districts since the inception of the project to guide implementation.

WaterAid and Partners will lead the discussion with the objective of sharing some of the findings to inform the discussion on strengthening systems for WASH in healthcare facilities; highlight evidence base around safe water and WASH in HCFs to inform policies and enhancement around civil and social accountability for WASH in HCFs

Join multi-stakeholder sector professionals for a vibrant sector discourse.

Find below the programme and session brief.

Session Brief

Strengthening Systems for WASH in Healthcare Facilities in Ghana (Part II)

1. Background

WaterAid Ghana in collaboration with the Conrad N Hilton Foundation (CNHF) is implementing the Sustainable Water, Sanitation and Hygiene in Healthcare Facilities (WASH in HCFs) project to strengthen WASH and health systems, accelerating the coverage of reliable access to safer water and affordable, inclusive and sustainable WASH services within HCFs in Ghana.

The project aims to:

1. Develop the evidence base around safe water and WASH in HCFs to inform policy and practice.
2. Promote and enhance civil and social accountability for WASH in HCFs

Since the project's inception several studies and activities have been undertaken to guide implementation, key being the following:

- i. Baseline and Policy Analysis

- ii. Budget Tracking and Analysis
- iii. Advocacy Strategy Development
- iv. WASH in HCFs Data Gathering and Development of WASH in HCFs models to support advocacy.

In line with the project's aim to ensure evidence generated is disseminated following validation of all findings at the district level, a national level dissemination is being organised. This Terms of Reference outlines the objectives, scope, deliverables, and timeline for learning and sharing workshop on the National Level Learning Alliance Platform.

2. Objectives

The main objective of the workshop is to share data and evidence gathered from project implementation so far and get feedback from key stakeholders including policy makers. The opportunity will also be used to influence policy makers on the need to prioritise and budget for WASH in health care facilities. Feedback and insights from the workshop will also be useful in the development of the concept note for phase two of the project.

Participation in members and partners of MenEngage Alliance

Another fit attain by your noble foundation is active participation in the panel discussion, '**Men's Accountability for Gender Equality**' organized by the [Working Group on Discrimination Against Women and Girls](#) of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), and in partnership with MenEngage Alliance and the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations Office in Geneva.

DATE: 12 October 2023 (Thursday)

TIME: 9:00am UTC | 11:00am CET | 2:30pm IST

DURATION 1.5 hours

WHERE: Online and in-person in Geneva, Switzerland

LANGUAGES: Live Interpretation online in French, Spanish, and English

REGISTER: Email hrc-wg-discriminationwomen@un.org to register your interest in joining online or in-person

What to expect

This high-level discussion of the OHCHR's special procedures, emphasizing the crucial role of accountability in working with men and boys to transform patriarchal masculinities. The event follows a [position paper of the OHCHR working group on men's accountability for gender](#)

[equality](#). The position paper called for ‘a significant shift from men’s mere engagement, to focussing on men’s accountability for gender equality to redistribute power and dismantle systems of male privilege’.

The event was a space to hear insights from the OHCHR working group, as well as feminist partners, [Coalition of Feminists for Social Change \(COFEM\)](#) - alongside members of MenEngage Alliance.

Panelists:

- Elizabeth Broderick, Member of the Working Group on discrimination against women and girls
- Jennifer Chinoye Amadi, Coalition of Feminists for Social Change (COFEM) West Africa Regional Liaison
- Professor Michael Flood, Queensland University of Technology
- Samitha Sugathamala, Director of programs at Foundation for Innovative Social Development, and Global Co-Chair of MenEngage Alliance

Accountability continues to be an area that has been collectively identified as a priority for those working to transform patriarchal masculinities and work with men and boys for gender justice. MenEngage Alliance has its own [Accountability Framework](#) that informs our shared work that we also encourage you to explore.



PARTICIPATION IN ALLIANCE FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND UHC MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES

The foundation was fully represented by the executive director at the Alliance's online consultation to collaborate with UHC2030 to craft an advocacy brief focused on enhancing the gender responsiveness of health systems. His valuable expertise has the potential to significantly influence the trajectory of health systems for UHC.

The meeting open the door to among other things

- Challenges: Share our insights about the obstacles hindering the development of gender-responsive health systems.
- Good Practices: Highlight successful approaches and initiatives you've encountered that promote gender equality in health.
- Key Messages: Suggest key points and messages to advance gender equality within health systems and move from commitment to action.
- Actions: Recommend practical steps and strategies to drive the development of gender-responsive health systems.

Key Details:

- Consultation Link: <https://womeningh.org/online-consultation/>
- Deadline: Your inputs are requested by **October 15, 2023**.

The meeting also helped us identify best practices across various aspects of health systems, including service delivery, workforce, information systems, access to medicines, financing, leadership, and governance. This collective insight served as the foundation for creating an advocacy brief, which was officially launched on UHC Day, December 12, 2023.

We are happy that by participating in this milestone, our foundation has actively contributed to the transformation of health systems into ones that are more inclusive, equitable, and resilient. Our voice and experience are crucial as we work towards achieving gender-responsive health systems and UHC by 2030.

Mon, Oct 9 at 8:17 AM

Dear all,

As you know, at the GONE Senegal meeting (1-2 November) we will review the **handbook for OEM (Onchocerciasis Elimination Mapping)** in detail with the aim of endorsing it during the meeting and being able to use it for programmatic action.

We would really appreciate it if you took the time to read the entire manual and share your feedback.

You will soon receive an online survey where you can provide your feedback on the manual that will help prepare for the Senegal meeting where we hope to endorse the manual.

Thank you

With best wishes,

On behalf of Maria Rebollo

Dear Friend,

As the leaves change their colors and the cool breeze of October sweeps in, we extend our warmest greetings to you. It's a brand new month, filled with endless possibilities and exciting adventures! September was a month of tremendous importance and advocacy, and we can't wait to dive into what October has in store for us.

A Recap into September's Milestones

UNGA 78 (United Nations General Assembly 78)

Last month, the world gathered virtually for the United Nations General Assembly, a global stage where leaders discussed critical issues affecting our planet. This year's theme was "Building Resilience Through Hope." It was an inspiring event where voices from every corner of the globe came together to shape our shared future.



Join The Conversation On:

#SafeChoices
#HealthyChoices

Wed. 27th, September 2023
7PM - 8PM EAT

Powered By:

World Contraception Day!

September 26th marked World Contraception Day, an occasion to emphasize the significance of informed choice when it comes to contraception. We partnered with our member organization to host a Twitter (X) chat aimed at promoting safe and healthy choices when it comes to family planning, ensuring that everyone has access to reliable information and healthcare options.



Safe Abortion Day Celebration

On September 28th, we partnered with our networks of youth-led organizations to participate and observe Safe Abortion Day. We took a moment to reflect on the importance of reproductive rights and access to safe, legal, and compassionate abortion services. It's a reminder of the ongoing fight for women's health and bodily autonomy. Join us and be part of our network! Send us an email at membership@iyafp.org

October!

This October, we will be celebrating the Global Forum for Adolescents with the Guttmacher Institute as we discuss and share insights on the research conducted by the Guttmacher Institute. We invite you to mark your calendars and join us as we commemorate the GFA!

Let's work together to create a world where young people are empowered, where their voices are heard, and where they can make a lasting impact.

The poster features a yellow background with a white central area. At the top left is the PMNCH logo with the text 'Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health'. At the top center is the 'GUTTMACHER INSTITUTE' logo. At the top right is the '1.8 Billion Young People for Change' logo with the subtitle 'Global Forum for Adolescents '23'. The main title is 'Adding It Up - Evidence to Impact: Making the case for adolescent sexual and reproductive health and rights'. Below the title is a purple banner with the date and time: '11th OCT '23 | 11:00 - 11:50 EDT'. There are five circular portraits of speakers: Lilibet Namakula PHAU (Moderator), Peace Umanah IYAFP, Semaria Negash TaYA, Prerna Laddha YP Foundation, and Elizabeth Sully Guttmacher. A blue hand icon is in the bottom left corner.

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NEWS ALERT - 9th October 2023 | Geneva

UN General Assembly Formally Adopts Resolution on Political Declaration on Tuberculosis



The United Nations General Assembly has formally adopted by consensus the Political Declaration of the High-Level Meeting on the Fight against Tuberculosis. Member States discussed and adopted the Declaration through UN Resolution A/78/L.4, which is now

available in all UN languages. This follows the Declaration's adoption at the High-Level Meeting on TB on 22nd September. This critical step gives the Declaration the full endorsement and support of all UN Member States.

Download the Political Declaration on TB:

A recording of the session is available [here](#) (beginning at the nine minute mark), which features interventions by Cuba speaking behalf of the G77, Venezuela on behalf of the Group of Friends in Defense of Charter of the United Nations, as well as Zimbabwe, Iran, Syria, Nicaragua, Belarus, China, Iran and Russia. Submitted written statements are also available [here](#).

Our full 22nd September news alert on the Political Declaration is available below:

22 September, New York - United Nations Member States have formally adopted the Political Declaration of the High-Level Meeting (HLM) on the Fight Against Tuberculosis in New York at the 78th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA). The livestream of the meeting is available to watch [here](#).

The Declaration contains the most ambitious targets to date in the fight against TB. If countries follow through on their commitments, it will put the world on track to ending TB by 2030 and providing life-saving treatment for 45 million people between 2023 and 2027.

Among key highlights, member states committed to providing life-saving treatment for up to 45 million people between 2023 and 2027, including up to 4.5 million children and up to 1.5 million people with drug-resistant tuberculosis; and to provide up to 45 million people with preventive treatment, including 30 million household contacts of people with tuberculosis, including children and 15 million people living with HIV.

Member states also committed to increasing annual global TB funding levels to over four times the current level (\$5.4 billion) towards reaching \$22 billion annually by 2027, increasing to \$35 billion by 2030. They agreed to mobilize this funding through domestic and international investment mechanisms, innovative financing mechanisms, and costed action plans.

Member states also committed to mobilize \$5 billion a year by 2027 for tuberculosis research and innovation - a five times increase from the current \$1 billion a year - towards the development of point of care diagnostics, vaccines for all forms of tuberculosis, and shorter, safer and more effective treatment regimens.

"This Declaration contains clear targets for the fight against TB. The TB community should be proud of their amazing work done to secure these targets. However, we know commitments alone aren't enough and Declarations will gather dust without further action. In 2018 member states promised to provide \$13 billion a year in annual TB funding by 2022, yet they're providing less than half that amount – who is accountable for the failure to follow through on this promise?", said Lucica Ditiu, Executive Director of the Stop TB Partnership. "This is why we need strong accountability efforts and tools to hold leaders and all of us accountable to reaching their promises. This starts with translating the global targets and commitments to national level, which Stop TB Partnership is currently working on, and ensuring civil society and TB communities have the resources and tools to ensure leaders follow through on their commitments."

Member states also made critical commitments to prioritize TB affected communities through agreement to create enabling legal and policy frameworks to combat inequality and eliminate TB-related discrimination, stigma and other human rights barriers, to ensure that the TB response is equitable, inclusive, people-centered and promotes gender equality and respects human rights including with regard to policymaking forums, planning, and comprehensive tuberculosis care delivery, and to increase and sustain investment for initiatives at the community level.

Unfortunately, member states failed to attach deadlines to these commitments which had been prioritized by TB-affected communities in their '[Deadly Divide](#)' Accountability Report, and again featured in the interventions during the HLM itself. A small group of member states also opposed critical references to community-led monitoring and community, rights and gender action plans, which resulted in their removal during the negotiations process.

Member states failed to agree to several other key measures requested in the TB Community's [Key Asks document](#), including a strong, robust, system of accountability in the Political Declaration to ensure regular and timely monitoring and follow-up, as well as weakened language on having a safe and effective new TB vaccine available in the next five years.

We would like to convey our congratulations to the High-Level Meeting co-facilitators, H.E. Mr. Krzysztof Szczerski, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Poland to the United Nations, and H.E. Mr. Bakhtiyor Ibragimov, former Permanent Representative of Uzbekistan to the United Nations, their teams, as well as the President of the 77th Session of the UN General Assembly, H.E. Csaba Korosi, and recognize their leadership and commitment towards this important step towards the adoption of the Declaration in the UN General Assembly in the coming weeks. We will share the adopted version Political Declaration when it's available.

Participation in [World Bank Group Gender Strategy 2024-2030](#)

The foundation was formally invited to participate fully in the , [World Bank Group Gender Strategy 2024-2030](#) consultation online. The formal consultation period for the draft [World Bank Group Gender Strategy 2024-2030](#) came to a close on November 30, 2023, thus, management was happy to share our rich expertise and experience.

From the informal dialogues beginning in January 2023 to the launch of the formal consultations in July at the Women Deliver Conference in Kigali, Rwanda:

We believe our support and willingness to connect us with our colleagues and partners yielded these positive outcomes. Our engagement enabled us to better understand diverse perspectives and listen to voices we may not always hear. Our work, the final Gender Strategy, and its implementation will be enriched by your generous, profound, and insightful inputs.

Before and the end

The WBG held country consultation missions in all regions, along with targeted in-person and on-line engagement in global fora with a wide range of stakeholders. Inputs were received from over 1,000 stakeholders from over 100 countries, representing more than 600 entities including civil society, government representatives, parliamentarians, academia, private sector, multilateral organizations, donors, and others. We will share some key takeaways that

emerged from these discussions with you in the coming weeks. The summaries of the consultations are also currently being published on the [WBG Gender Strategy website](#).

In addition to the major inputs received on important topics, I am inspired by the people I've met and encouraged by their dedication, resolve and innovative ideas. From visiting adult education classes in an informal market outside Luanda, Angola and a kindergarten in the Kyrgyz Republic-- a women-led enterprise funded by support from the World Bank—to learning from the innovations led by women in poor villages in Gujarat, India such as biogas stoves and precision drip irrigation. I'm so grateful to those who shared their time and work.

In the weeks ahead, we hope to continue engaging with you as we finalize the Strategy for early 2024 and plan for its implementation. I hope that many of the connections we've made during the consultation process allow for greater and more impactful collaboration.

You can stay engaged through updates on the [Gender Strategy website](#), and this email address (wbggenderstrategyupdate@worldbank.org). We will continue to share materials we hope you find useful, including the Thematic Policy Notes informing the Strategy which provide knowledge synthesis on “what works”:

- [Closing Gender Gaps in Earnings](#),
- [Increasing Female Labor Force Participation](#),
- [What Works in Supporting Women-led Businesses?](#),
- [Placing Gender Equality at the Center of Climate Action](#),
- [Increasing Access to Technology for Inclusion](#),
- [Increasing Women's Representation in Business Leadership](#),
- [Accelerating Gender Equality Through Reforming Legal Frameworks](#),
- [Leveraging Gender Data to Accelerate Gender Equality](#),
- [Why Land and Property Rights Matter for Gender Equality](#),
- [Addressing Social and Gender Norms to Promote Gender Equality](#),
- [Addressing Care to Accelerate Equality](#),
- [Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity \(SOGI\) Inclusion and Gender Equality](#),
- [Achieving Gender Equality in Education: Examining Progress and Constraints](#),
- [Addressing Gender-Based Violence to Accelerate Gender Equality](#).

The complementary [Causal Evidence Briefs](#) provide insights from the rigorous research led by the Gender Innovation Labs.

Let us continue to work together to accelerate gender equality and empowerment for all on a livable planet.

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The priority theme for the 62nd Session of the Commission for Social Development in February 2024 was: ***“Fostering social development and social justice through social policies to accelerate progress on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and to achieve the overarching goal of poverty eradication”***.

We, the NGO Committee on Social Development, shared with the commission our [2024 Civil Society Declaration](#), which calls for placing people and justice at the center of social policies.

In our Declaration we demand transformative change by:

- 1. Establishing nationally owned, human rights-based, social protection systems and floors for all.**
- 2. Ensuring equal access to healthcare, education, digital technology, affordable housing and food for all.**
- 3. Extending debt relief for the least developed countries based on solidarity.**
- 4. Ensuring equal access to a healthy and safe environment for all.**
- 5. Ensuring that all persons are equal before the law without discrimination.**

This is the time to rethink our whole approach to society, to accept and implement social change and transformation. Peoples’ needs are changing in response to a quickly evolving context. People want more responsive action to address the key challenges. We need leadership to establish a renewed social contract integrating social, economic, environmental and political justice at both national and international levels.

Please click the following links to read the 2024 Civil Society Declaration in the relevant language:

[The Civil Society Declaration in English](#)

[La Déclaration de la Société Civile en Français](#)

[La Declaración de la Sociedad Civil en Español](#)

This Declaration is now open to public signatures and we invite you to show your support by signing it through the link below!

The Declaration will be open for signatures/endorsements until February 2, 2024. Please share this Declaration with your networks!

All signatures received by NGOs and individuals will be shared with Bureau members of this Commission, UN Member States and the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs at the opening of the 62nd session of the Commission on February 5, 2024.



ROAD SAFETY IN OUR MINDS AND HEARTS

Our foundation was invited formally and played active role

In the launch of our Strategic Plan 2023–2030: *From Global Commitments to Local Delivery*. This plan outlines our vision, mission, and how we plan to achieve them, collectively striving for a world where everyone can have access to safe and sustainable mobility.

The meeting was held on Tuesday 5 December 2023 at 14:00 CET.

The strategy has been developed with inputs from Alliance members and partners. It will guide our work toward the Decade of Action and we are excited to share it with you next Tuesday.

[REGISTER HRE](#)

YES! WE CAN...Achieve the 2023 United Nations High-Level Meeting on TB Treatment

Targets

Stop TB Partnership Releases Country Share of United Nations High-Level Meeting

Treatment Targets



8 December 2023, Geneva - Stop TB Partnership today released the estimated country [shares of global targets](#) committed in the [political declaration](#) of the United Nations High-Level Meeting (UNHLM) on TB, held in September 2023 at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) meeting. Amongst the commitments made during the UNGA were bold TB [diagnosis, prevention, and treatment targets](#) (numeric and percentages) to be achieved between 2023-2027.

These global-level targets cannot be achieved unless each country achieves its share. To support countries to plan for their share of the global target the Stop TB Partnership, working with partners, has disaggregated these global targets by country and by year, using a similar methodology as the Global Plan to End TB 2023-2030 and in full alignment with the End TB strategy and the WHO DG Flagship initiative. The document includes targets for treatment of TB, drug-resistant TB, children with TB, and TB preventive treatment for contacts and people living with HIV.

These targets are indicative, and the main purpose is to trigger country stakeholders and partners to set their own ones. Countries teams and stakeholders can reach out to

Stop TB Partnership for support or discussion if needed to understand and align the targets set for a specific country.

Lucica Ditiu, Executive Director of Stop TB Partnership said “The global targets on TB treatment and prevention set at the UNGA in September 2023 can be achieved if leaders and stakeholders of high TB burden countries understand their share of the global targets, set their own national and sub-national targets, and pursue them aggressively. Bold and clear targets will drive advocacy, action, and accountability. The country targets published by us today are our work to support countries in their effort to contribute to the achievement of the overall global ones.”

[Click Here for the Country Share of Global 2023 UNHLM Targets](#)

Wed, Dec 6 at 7:40 PM





Join Indlela Satellite Session-

A journey to revolutionizing HIV programs using behavioural insights

Title:

Rapid learning to better inform behavioural interventions for HIV programmes

Date: Thursday, 7 December 2023

Time: 10:45am-11:30am (CAT)

Venue: Rainbow Towers Hotel & ICC (Harare),

Conference venue: Sapphire

We look forward to seeing you there!

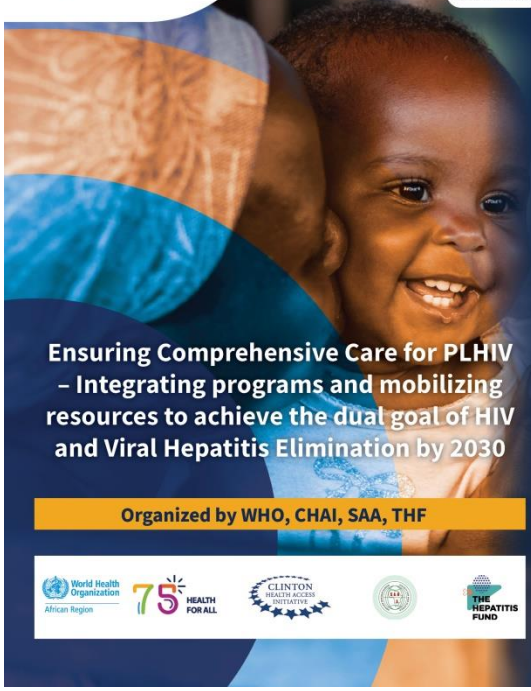


For any questions? Email us!
Indlela@heroza.org



7th DEC 2023
15:05 - 15:50 PM

Rainbow Towers, VIP Lounge,
Harare, ZIMBABWE



Ensuring Comprehensive Care for PLHIV – Integrating programs and mobilizing resources to achieve the dual goal of HIV and Viral Hepatitis Elimination by 2030

Organized by WHO, CHAI, SAA, THF



This session aims to spotlight approaches to addressing the viral hepatitis burden in PLHIV, providing a deeper insight into the strategic approaches employed for program integration. It will further provide the platform to understand first-hand the struggles of PLHIV living with comorbidities and the need for rapid implementation of patient centered interventions.

Target audience: HIV experts, PLHIV, Donors, Governments, NGOs, and persons involved in designing HIV programs.

SPEAKERS



Akudo Ikpeazu,
WHO Team Leader UCN



Dr Olufunmilayo (Funmi) LESI,
MD, MBA, FMCP, FRCP



Siobhan Crowley,
Head of HIV at The Global Fund to Fight
AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria



Maria Caroline Salazar,
Senior Programme Manager at
The Hepatitis Fund



Pamela Nawaggi,
Technical Officer, Strategy Unitaid



Omar Syarif,
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Chukwuemeka Agwuocha,
UNAIDS



Fogué Foguito,
Executive Director of Positive Generation,
From Cameroon, Member of Francophone
Africa Hepatitis Alliance



Jacques Kamungu,
Ministry of Health and Social Services,
Namibia

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Gender Norms, Discrimination and Criminal Law: The Common Underlying Determinants of Health for Children, and LGBT Youth in Africa

Join our ICASA Satellite Session

Date: Thursday 7th December

Time: 3:05 PM - 3:50 PM

Room: Diamond 1&2 at the Rainbow
Towers Hotel and Conference Centre





THE ROLE OF PARTNERSHIP IN ENDING PAEDIATRIC AIDS

THE VALUE OF MULTI-SECTORAL PARTNERSHIPS IN ENSURING NO CHILD OR ADOLESCENT LIVING WITH HIV IS LEFT BEHIND

Join us to hear from:

- Dr Leon Levin – Chief Technical Specialist, Paediatric HIV
- Dr Agnes Mahomva – Africa REACH leadership council member
- Annah Sango – Advocacy Officer, GNP+
- Ismaeel Ebrahim – Medical Lead, ViiV Healthcare

Thursday 7th December 15:05-15:50
in Sapphire at ICASA

This satellite is sponsored by ViiV Healthcare

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LE RÔLE JOUÉ PAR LE PARTENARIAT DANS L'ÉRADICATION DU SIDA CHEZ LES ENFANTS.

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Joignez-vous à nous pour écouter :

- Dr Leon Levin – Chief Technical Specialist, Paediatric HIV
- Dr Agnes Mahomva – Africa REACH leadership council member
- Annah Sango – Advocacy Officer, GNP+
- Ismaeel Ebrahim – Medical Lead, ViiV Healthcare

Jeudi, le 7 décembre 2023 - 15:05-15:50 dans la salle Sapphire à ICASA

Ce symposium est sponsorisé par ViiV Healthcare

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ICASA Satellite Session : Global Alliance to End AIDS in Children by 2030

Accelerating the Implementation of the Global Alliance Country Action Plans:
From Political Commitment to Strategic Partnerships and Community Engagement with Impact



SAVE THE DATE

Thursday, 7 December 2023 | 12:05 PM- 12:50 PM (CAT)
Jakaranda, Rainbow Towers, Harare, Zimbabwe

Featuring

Hon Dr. Douglas Mombeshora, Minister of Health, Zimbabwe

Ms. Maximina Jokonya, Interim Executive Director, Y+ Global

Dr. John N. Nkengasong, Ambassador and U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator [Video Intervention]

Dr. Ruth Laibon-Masha, CEO at National Syndemic Diseases Control Council, Kenya

Dr. Billiart Tapesana, Executive Director a.i. Zvandiri

Mr. Rodrigue Koffi, Coordonnateur, Réseau Grandir Ensemble, Côte d'Ivoire

Closing

Ms. Winnie Byanyima, UNAIDS Executive Director

Audience Engagement

Ms. Cathy Ferrier, ViiV Positive Action, U.K.

Dr. Yogan Pillay, Director for HIV and TB delivery, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Ms. Luann Hatane, Executive Director, PATA

Dr. Anne Magege, Director, Health, ELMA Philanthropies

Dr. Martha Mukaminega, Associate Director, EGPAF

Co-Moderators

Dr. Meg Doherty, Director Global HIV, Hepatitis and STIs Programmes, WHO

Ms. Anurita Bains, Associate Director HIV and AIDS, UNICEF



HIV and Hepatitis Integration

Ensuring Comprehensive Care for PLHIV – Integrating programs and mobilizing resources to achieve the dual goal of HIV and Viral Hepatitis Elimination by 2030

Organized by WHO, CHAI, SAA, THF

7th December 2023 - 3:05 PM - 3:50 PM
Rainbow Towers, VIP Lounge, Harare, ZIMBABWE



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8:45-9:30 7TH DECEMBER – DIAMOND 1 & 2

**DRIVING COMMUNITY RESPONSES
THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS :
LEARNINGS FROM IMPLEMENTATION**



Elizabeth Glaser
Pediatric AIDS Foundation
Fighting for an AIDS-free generation



POSITIVE ACTION

WHO Satellite Session: What is new from WHO?



Thursday,
December 7, 2023



2:05 – 2:50 PM
CAT / UTC + 2h



Satellite room:
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Meg Doherty
Chair

Director of the Global HIV,
Hepatitis and STI Programme,
WHO, Switzerland



Akudo Ikpeazu
Co-chair

Team lead HIV, TB and
Hepatitis, WHO AFRO,
Republic of Congo



Daniel Low-Beer
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Unit head of Strategic
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WHO, Switzerland



Maeve Brito de Mello
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Céline Lastrucci
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Technical Officer, Testing,
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Unit, Global HIV, Hepatitis,
and STI Programme, WHO
Switzerland



Ajay Rangaraj
Presenter

Technical officer, Global HIV,
Hepatitis, and STI Programme,
WHO, Switzerland

In this session the team from the WHO Global HIV, Hepatitis and STI programmes will share the latest WHO guidance across these three topic areas. These will include new guidelines on strategic information on digital data; new recommendations on STIs and HIV testing; and new policy briefs on HIV viral load and on Advanced HIV Disease (AHD).



Join us at **ICASA 2023**

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SATELLITE SESSION

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In this session, our team from Zimbabwe will share our experiences as a country in developing and testing a novel 'Harare' HIV Combination Prevention Cascade for use in high-level monitoring and advocacy for the activities and resources needed to strengthen HIV prevention programmes.

This generic cascade provides a unique summary of the overall coverage of *all* primary HIV prevention methods combined amongst those at risk and highlights where the main gaps are that need to be addressed to increase use. If measured and reported in national population surveys across the region, we believe this cascade could play a similar role to the treatment cascade in driving progress towards us all meeting UNAIDS' targets for 95% of people at risk to be using at least one method of primary HIV prevention and to reach zero new infections. In so doing, this will also serve to make ARV treatment programmes more sustainable.



In addition, we will share examples of how we have been using complementary method-specific HIV prevention cascades – measured longitudinally, using data collected in routine programme records – to strengthen our local programmes.

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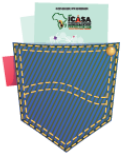
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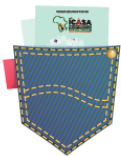
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THE RADICAL POWER OF EDUCATION: SHAPING A FUTURE OF EQUITY AND JUSTICE

7 DECEMBER 2023 | 5:00–7:00 PM
BLUE GALLERY | 222 E 46TH ST
NEW YORK CITY, NY

You're invited to the launch of the Population Council's new Gender, Education, Justice, and Equity initiative on 7 December 2023.

REGISTER

Management joined online for a cocktails, new data, conversation, and networking! Award-winning journalist Kavitha Cardoza was moderated a fireside chat with Andrew Brennen (Co-Founder and Board Chair, Kentucky Student Voice Team and NAACP LDF Marshall Motley Scholar at Columbia University), Ana Chan (Secretary for Science and Technology, Government of Guatemala), Maureen Greenwood-Basken (Program Director, Global Children's Rights, Wellspring Philanthropic Fund), and Nicole Haberland (Education Lead, Population Council). To set the stage, Council researcher

Arindam Nandi will share powerful figures from a new analysis of education's economic, social, and health benefits for societies, individuals, and their children.

Education holds enormous promise for the potential of every child. Yet we continue to see, in the U.S. and around the globe, crushing disparities in educational access and continuation, and pernicious learning poverty. And the promise of education is falling short with persistent inequities and injustice in employment, secondary and higher education, and political participation. We will examine compelling new data on the ripple effects of education and have a critical conversation about what hasn't been achieved in education and why? Why has the progress that has been made in education not translated into economic and social equity? And what policies and programs are working to eliminate inequity in education and fulfill its potential for justice and opportunity?

Host

Thoi Ngo, Vice President of Social and Behavioral Science Research, Population Council

Speaker

Arindam Nandi, Associate II, Population Council

Panel Moderator

Kavitha Cardoza, Freelance Journalist

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We shined at the West Africa Civil Society Institute 2023 stakeholder's forum Management participated actively in a special invitation for the two-day Regional Multi-stakeholder Forum commence on, 12 December 2023 at 10:30 AM GMT.

Coinciding with Universal Health Coverage (UHC) Day themed "Health for All: Time for Action," the forum will emphasise the imperative need to reinforce public health systems in West Africa.

Convened by the West Africa Civil Society Institute (WACSI-Node) in partnership with the Centre for Accountability and Inclusive Development (CAAID) and the Nigerian UHC Forum, this regional dialogue coincides with the launch of a research report commissioned by WACSI to analyse the state of public health systems and emergency preparedness in post-COVID-19 West Africa.

This gathering holds significant importance, and we believe your participation will contribute greatly to its success.

Please use this link to check us: <https://bit.ly/RegionalStakeholderForum>

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TODAY IS: - Universal Health Coverage Day 2023

12.12.2023 –Tuesday

UHC Day 2023 Theme: Health For All: Time For Action

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AID FOUNDATION- GHANA and partners, says Time For Action Is NOW

We all get up each day hoping to be in good health and to go about achieving our daily aspiration in life. Such is life...but this same life is unpredictable as ill health can set in at any time. How prepared our society and health systems are put in readiness to help us in terms of need matters most. Thus, UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE must be the mainstay of all and must encompass 24/7 interrupted safe, sound, available, affordable, and accessible regardless of one's social economic status.

And yet:

- Half of the world's population does not have access to essential health services.
- An estimated 2 billion people face financial hardship due to out-of-pocket health expenses, including 344 million people living in extreme poverty.
- Since the launch of the SDGs in 2015 – even before the COVID-19 pandemic – the expansion of health service coverage had stalled and financial protection had deteriorated. The pandemic has set countries further back in their journey towards universal health coverage. It has also showed why UHC is so important.

It is time to get progress towards health for all back on track.

Beyond health and well-being, UHC also contributes to social inclusion, equality, ending poverty, economic growth and human dignity.

Build the world we want: A healthy future for all in the world we want, everyone everywhere has access to quality healthcare whenever they need it without suffering financial hardship **across sectors and issue areas.**

The United Nations High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage, held on 21 September 2023, reaffirmed that healthy people are the foundation of healthy societies and economies, and that UHC is central to achieving all of the Sustainable Development Goals.

We as organization call on world leaders, donors, and all concern citizens, that this year's celebration must not end with the business as usual promises and big speeches, big promises unfulfilled, the usual media displays, write ups, which end up on the shelves. Go back and fold our arms waiting for the next year...

It's time for action and the time for action is now

Yes we can achieve UHC Collectively: Health For All: Time For Action

New Global Status Report shows 2030 target is achievable but more investment in evidence-based actions needed to save lives

The Global Status Report on Road Safety 2023 was launched by WHO today. While progress has been made, the Global Alliance of NGOs for Road Safety (the Alliance) calls for greater investment in evidence-based interventions that put people at the center to halve road deaths and injuries and provide safe, affordable, accessible, sustainable mobility by 2030.

According to the report, 1.19 million people are killed on the world's roads every year, a decrease of 5% since 2010. In that time, 10 countries achieved at least a 50% reduction in road deaths and 85 achieved reductions between 10-49%, proving that the 2030 road safety targets are possible if governments invest in the right actions. The report notes that some of the greatest reductions were made "where the safe system approach – which puts people and safety at the core of mobility systems – was applied."

However, in 66 other countries, road deaths increased. The Alliance observes that too many governments are still not taking road safety seriously enough. The time for excuses is over. We call for stronger, more urgent action.

Governments must implement interventions that have been proven to save lives and reduce injuries

We know what works to reduce road deaths and injuries. These life-saving interventions must be scaled up. Only three countries reported having laws mandating national 30 km/h limits in urban areas where people and vehicles mix, and, while 160 countries reported having legislation on motorcycle-helmet use, only 54 of those meet WHO best practice.

Governments must allocate funding based on evidence and impact

Road crashes remain the leading cause of death for those aged 5–29 years old and 66% of those killed around the world are of working age, harming productivity and driving families into poverty. The global macroeconomic cost of road injuries is estimated in the report at US\$ 1.8 trillion — approximately 10–12% of global GDP. However, few countries are investing enough in road safety: 117 countries reported having a national road safety strategy but only 16 of them said they were fully funded. Most countries reported not knowing how the strategy was funded.

Governments must put people at the center of mobility

More than half of road deaths occur among pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists, and micro mobility users. The report shows how these at-risk groups are overlooked in road infrastructure: only 21% of assessed roads meet a minimum 3-star safety standard for pedestrians and only 0.2% of roads have cycle lanes. The report also warns that our car-centric mobility systems are unsustainable: the number of motorized vehicles on the world's roads has increased by 160% since 2010, and, with 60% of the global population expected to live in urban settings by 2030, "increased demand for mobility will exceed the capacity of most current systems."

Rethinking mobility to prioritize walking, cycling, and public transport is essential for people and the planet, tackling global crises of climate, health, and inequity. To make that shift, journeys must be safe for all road users.

The Alliance’s Executive Director, Lotte Brondum, commented, *“The data in the Global Status Report shows that halving road deaths by 2030 is possible but inaction is still letting people down, especially those who can least afford it. The report calls on civil society to ‘generate evidence and hold leaders to account.’ NGOs’ role is to make these global numbers tangible and local, showing the reality of people’s daily journeys, and to make sure that our decision makers act upon the findings we read today to halve road deaths and guarantee people’s right to safe, affordable, accessible, sustainable mobility.”*

Read the Global Status Report on Road Safety 2023 [HERE](#).



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Invitation to Participate in the CSCG 2023 Annual Workshop Post-Completion Survey

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Dear CSCG Annual Workshop Participants,

We hope this message finds you well. As a participant in the recent CSCG 2023 Civil Society and Youth Annual Workshop, we greatly appreciate your active involvement and feedback.

To further enhance the quality of our future workshops and tailor them to better meet the needs of our diverse constituency, we kindly request your participation in the [CSCG Annual Workshop Post-Completion Survey](#). Your insights and feedback are invaluable in helping us understand your experience, identify areas for improvement, and shape the direction of our upcoming events.

Please take a few moments to complete the survey by clicking on the following link: [\[Click Here\]](#)

Your responses can be submitted confidentially, and the information gathered will be used solely for the purpose of improving future CSCG engagement.

We understand that your time is precious, and we sincerely thank you in advance for your participation. The survey will be open until Dec. 31st, and we look forward to receiving your feedback.

If you have any questions or encounter any issues with the survey, please feel free to contact ngohost@pai.org

Once again, thank you for being a part of the CSCG Annual Workshop. We look forward to hearing your thoughts on the event.

Best regards,

The CSCG Coordination Unit

Wed, Dec 20 at 6:13 AM

(EN)

Dear HIC members, friends and allies,

As you might be aware, the Brazilian government has decided to nominate Anacláudia Rossbach to run for the position of Executive Director of UN-Habitat.

Despite having been weakened within the UN system, UN-Habitat still plays a role in advancing the agenda of habitat related Human Rights. **Based on our knowledge and experience of working with Anacláudia, HIC will be supporting her candidacy.**

Currently, support of organizations around the world is being gathered and will be presented through a letter to be sent to the UN Secretary General by HIC, the Global Platform for the Right to the City and the Women and Habitat Latin America Network.

You can join by expressing your organization's support [through this form](#). There you'll find more information about [Anacláudia's background](#), as well as the [draft letter](#).

More than 100 supports have been gathered informally over the last days. **In case that you have indicated your support already, we kindly ask you to formalize it through the form. Responses will be collected until December 31st.**

Thank you in advance and the best wishes for the end of the year.

Kind regards,

HIC-GS

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MONEY MATTERS

Due to policy change and a few financial guidelines, the foundation is adjusting to our independent audited accounts Statements could not be captured here. However,

management is in interaction with auditors to finalize the process for which reason a separate copy will be made available from time to time. By virtue of this assertion financial matters of the organization are intact and in with this report. Measures are being put in place to ensure that our subsequent reports are accompanied by the

financial matters associated with it. On a whole the year 2023 equally saw persistent and prudent measure put in place to control our expenses which have had a positive balance on our transaction leading to our all declaration of the period under review labeled as value for money year.

WAY FORWARD

The overall performance of CAFAF during the year 2023 under review speaks for itself and could be described as second to none. In spite of the daunting challenges that engulf our operations we mounted the courage to thrive which impacted positively in the lives of the vulnerable we have serve so. We have been part of the history makers which is a complimentary to government-efforts of offering alternatives of shaping people's lives and make them counts in the development agenda.

Management can look back with swollen with pride and unceasing joy because this report has been produced not just like business as usual but from the hearts and evidences of our contributions to pursuing the mission and vision for which CAFAF was established to address. Countless lessons were learnt in the cause of our interactions with different categories of people and institutions we came across through the journey. We have taken note of the varied best practices, skills and knowledge derived from this engagement. Steps will be taken to have most useful methodologies, tools and practices in cooperated into our work to boost our performance.

As a human institutions ups and downs are a great deal of the life tests and so coming this far certainly makes our conclusion that complete that We have indeed obtained a distinction grade with a crown of success in 2023 hoping to surpass the coming year 2024.

Our Board of Directors

Management is happy to acknowledge the immense contribute from our Imminent board of directors whose contributions and supports keeps fueling the yearly transition of the organization from better to best and unchallengeable .

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