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# **IMPACT REPORT**2016-17

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DRC, sexual and reproductive healthcare at Panzi Hospital © Kristof Vadino

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#### Dear Friends,

2016 and 2017 brought big changes for our organization and in the world at large. In an ever changing political and humanitarian landscape, the Doctors of the World/ Médecins du Monde's (MdM) global network continues to be at the forefront of some of humanity's biggest challenges, working to save lives and support vulnerable people all over the world.

With drastic economic and political instability and insecurity being felt throughout the world, and with the effects of climate change continuing to worsen, the world's most powerless people are feeling the impact first, and most severely. Haiti is the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere and when a Category 5 hurricane made landfall there October of 2016, we were able to launch into action quickly by providing additional medical assistance and supplies, and psychosocial support.

In Mali, over 85% of the population do not have easy access to medical care. For some, the nearest health facility could be up to a half days walk away. In recent years, Northeastern Mali has experienced violence and instability that has driven away many humanitarian groups, leaving MdM as one of the only active international NGOs working in the area. In 2016, we launched a program focused on reproductive and child health in the Gao region, providing sexual and reproductive healthcare to mothers, screening for malnutrition, and vaccinations.

Though Doctors of the World has been active in Nigeria since 2007, the rise of insurgency from the Boko Haram militia group has required a specific response from us over the last two years. Thousands have died, over a million have been displaced, and food security and access to medical care have been continually threatened for all. Our teams on the ground in Borno State have been providing primary healthcare to those living in camps for internally displaced persons after fleeing violent conflict.

These are just a few of the life saving, life-changing programs and services we provided during the period covered in this report. Other important activities in France, Greece, the UK, and the Democratic Republic of Congo are also outlined.

In addition to our work on the ground with vulnerable populations, Doctors of the World USA, along with our partners throughout our global network, have been engaged in an intensive strategic planning process, which will help us to prepare for and strengthen MdM's role as a responder and advocate on the world stage. We will continue to work to implement best practices and to improve the quality and impact of services for the people we serve.

I hope you enjoy reading this report highlighting the importance of some of our activities for so many people throughout the world. I am grateful to our board, volunteers, staff, donors, and partners who helped us grow and prosper, and we look forward to expanding our reach and impact in the coming years.

Yours, very warmly,

#### **Fraser Mooney**

### A message from the Executive Director

Doctors of the World USA is an international humanitarian organization that defends access to healthcare worldwide, while providing emergency and long-term medical care to those most vulnerable.

We are the US chapter of the global Médecins du Monde network, which has more than 400 programs in over 80 countries. We believe in building sustainable healthcare infrastructure in communities that need them the most.

Our work is focused in four primary areas:

- Conflict and Crisis
- Refugees and Migrants
- Sexual and Reproductive Health
- People At Risk

### Who we are

#### VISION

A world where barriers to health have been overcome; a world where health is acknowledged as a fundamental right.

#### VALUES

Activism Empowerment Social Justice Independence Balance

#### MISSION

Médecins du Monde / Doctors of the World is an independent international voluntary movement working at home and abroad.

Through innovative medical programs and evidenced-based advocacy, we empower excluded people and communities to claim their right to health while fighting for universal access to healthcare.





### What we do



#### CONFLICT AND CRISIS

We respond to the most pressing and devastating crises, such as the civil war in Syria, and natural disasters like Hurricane Matthew in Haiti.

#### REFUGEES AND MIGRANTS

According to the UNHCR, an unprecedented 65.6 million people around the world have been forced from their homes. We fight to protect the health of those on the move, those who have temporarily been resettled in refugee camps, and those living in refugee and migrant communities in countries as diverse as Lebanon, Bangladesh and the United Kingdom.

#### SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

We have been working to promote the health of women and girls for over 30 years. Our teams provide quality sexual and reproductive care and vital health information so that women and young adults can make informed decisions about both their health and their future.

#### **PEOPLE AT RISK**

Sex workers, intravenous drug users and the LGBTQ community are often marginalized by society and discriminated against when trying to access medical care. We ensure people in these communities have access to the care they need and don't go untreated.



### Haiti

In October 2016, Hurricane Matthew – a Category 5 storm – made landfall in Haiti, the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere where 24% of the population lives in extreme poverty. With winds reaching 145 miles per hour, the hurricane destroyed crops, infrastructure, and thousands of homes. In all, more than 2.1 million people were impacted by the storm, including 895,000 children. Due to the damage, the regions of Grand-Anse and Sud became close to unreachable and were particularly vulnerable to outbreaks of disease.

Our teams initiated an emergency response to assist overwhelmed health centers, provide critically-needed medical supplies, and offer psychosocial support for affected communities. In the aftermath of the hurricane, we treated 9,283 people and screened 1,613 children for malnutrition. We also worked to monitor, prevent, and respond to cholera outbreaks, which are common in Haiti after natural disasters due to the disruption of sanitation services. Through our cholera prevention workshops, almost 50,000 people were provided with information on personal hygiene and food safety to prevent the spread of cholera.

Haiti, disaster response © Olivier Papegnies

### United Kingdom

Since 2013, the UK government has become increasingly hostile to undocumented migrants. In this environment, it has become especially difficult for vulnerable communities to access healthcare. Many end up avoiding accessing care for fear of being deported – including pregnant mothers. Since 2006, our UK team has been operating a free clinic in Bethnal Green, London and have witnessed firsthand the lack of services available to vulnerable people. In 2017, the UK government began requiring the National Health Service (NHS) to share patient's private information – especially if they were undocumented migrants. In May 2017 alone, over 1,000 people were traced through their medical records.

In response to these draconian policies, Doctors of the World began a project in the UK to raise awareness about the decreasing access to healthcare. Our teams began building networks of medical professionals who mobilized to fight for the universal access to healthcare. We also advocated against and challenged the UK government's policies towards vulnerable migrants. In addition, we worked to create awareness of the issue through online campaigns such as our #StopSharing initiative.

### Greece

In 2015, millions of people from countries such as Syria, Iraq, and Afghanistan began to flee their homes to Europe. The vast majority traveled through Greece into other countries in the Eurozone, but in March 2016 Greece's northern borders were closed. This left thousands of refugees and migrants stranded across the country.

Greece has also been recovering from a financial crisis which has left many Greeks unable to afford healthcare and there are close to 6 million Greeks without health insurance across the country. Already struggling due to economic austerity measures, the Greek healthcare system has been unable to cope with the dramatic rise in demand for healthcare services.

Doctors of the World has been active in Greece for over 20 years, and in August 2017 we began providing healthcare services to vulnerable communities such as refugees and those living in poverty in Athens and on the island of Lesbos. Through our established clinics and mobile units, our teams were able to provide healthcare for over 50,000 people.

### France

There are an estimated 20,000 active sex workers in France. Sex workers are particularly vulnerable to physical and sexual violence and when they are attacked they rarely report the incident to police. Although there are a variety of NGO's and organizations working to protect and improve the health of sex workers, preventing violence and supporting victims of violence is rarely integrated into their outreach.

In September 2017, we began a project to better equip sex workers in preventing violent attacks through activities such as self defense workshops, providing information on accessing legal support and outreach programs to highlight the risks that many sex workers face.

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### Mali

Our teams have been working in Mali for over 10 years, a country where 85% of the population live over five kilometers away from the nearest health facility.

Mali has been experiencing high levels of instability due to armed insurgencies in the northeast – where we are one of the only active international NGOs. In 2016 we launched a program to specifically focus on strengthening reproductive and child health.

Our team currently manages six community health centers in the towns of Gao and Menaka that serve over 33,700 people. Our activities include providing sexual and reproductive healthcare to mothers and children, conducting screening for malnutrition, and vaccinating children against disease.

Mali, primary healthcare clinic © Seyba Keita



Doctors of the World has been active in Nigeria since 2007, and in the last 2 years we have been responding to the ongoing instability occurring in the northeast of the country, specifically in Borno state. The instability in Borno state is due to an ongoing insurgency by the Boko Haram militia group. The insurgency has claimed the lives of thousands, internally displaced 1.3 million people, and greatly disrupted food security and access to medical care. Our teams currently work to provide primary healthcare to those living in internally displaced people (IDP) camps after fleeing violent conflict.

### Democratic Republic of Congo

In Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo, an estimated 50% of pregnancies are unwanted and around 25% of pregnant women are under 19. Many young people are unaware of issues around sexual and reproductive health, so in 2017 Doctors of the World began working to remove the barriers to accessing information about reproductive health.

We work to provide educational workshops on these issues in order to prevent unwanted pregnancies and the transmission of diseases such as HIV and Hepatitis.

DRC, sexual and reproductive healthcare at Panzi Hospital © Kristof Vadino

### Yemen

Since 2015, Yemen has been engaged in a civil conflict that has displaced an estimated 2.9 million people. 60% of the population is facing food insecurity due to a blockade of the country's ports, which has made gaining access to aid extremely difficult. As a result, 11.3 million children are in desperate need of humanitarian assistance.

Doctors of the World has been active in Yemen since 2007 and in March 2017 we began supporting medical facilities in the governorates of Sana'a and Ibb. In addition to supplying emergency medical equipment and essential medicines, we are also supporting mobile services to access beneficiaries who cannot reach health facilities.

### Finances 2016 and 2017

Doctors of the World USA is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. A summary of our audited financial statements for 2016 and 2017 are on the following pages.

Founded in 2011, we are a young organization on a growth trajectory, with increasing influence in supporting and strengthening the programs of the MdM Network internationally, while taking steps to develop a programmatic presence and impact here in the US. This growth is evident in the financial results presented here. As part of the Médecins du Monde / Doctors of the World International Network, funds we raise for domestic programming are spent in the United States. Funds raised for international programming are transferred to other members of the MdM global network to support our life-saving programs in the field.

For every dollar raised,

is spent on programs

is spent on administration

is spent on fundraising

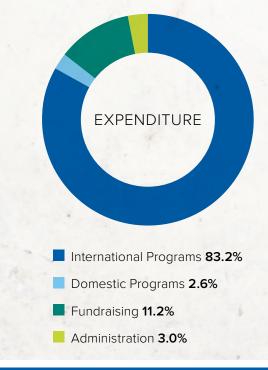
86 cents

3 cents

11 cents

Doctors of the World posted excellent financial results in both years, achieving a balanced budget and dramatically improved organizational performance, reflecting a strong return on investment made in fundraising and support systems in previous years. In 2017, 85.8% of our budget was spent on programs (83.2% for international programs; and 2.6% for domestic programs). We spent 14.2% of our budget on administrative expenses (11.2% for fundraising; and 3.0% for administration).

In addition, the Global MdM network functions with highly efficient margins. MdM published a detailed financial report annually, available in multiple languages at: www.medecinsdumonde.org



### Statements

Statements of financial position as of December 31, 2017 and 2016

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	838,180	269,664
Grants receivable:		
Federal	1,328,967	180,800
Non-Federal	34,364	_
Contributions receivable	87,110	73,397
Due from related parties	174	_
Prepaid expenses	5,544	3,024
Total current assets	2,294,339	526,885
Fixed assets		
Equipment	4,545	4,545
Website	31,125	_
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(9,733)	(3,788)
Net fixed assets	25,937	757
Other assets		
Security deposit	10,800	7,950
Total assets	2,331,076	535,592
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)		

Current liabilities		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	52,476	53,633
Due to Médecins du Monde	1,841,900	205,417
Total current liabilities	1,894,376	259,050
Net assets (deficit)		
Unrestricted	436,700	232,324
Temporarily restricted	-	44,218
Total net assets	436,700	276,542
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)	2,331,076	535,592

### Statements

Statements of activities and changes in net assets for the year ended December 31, 2017

	2017		
	Unrestricted \$	Temporarily Restricted \$	Total \$
REVENUE			
Contributions and grants	3,163,276	1,280,000	4,443,276
Contributed services and materials	_	_	_
Net assets released from donor restrictions	1,324,218	(1,324,218)	-
Total revenue	4,487,494	(44,218)	4,443,276
EXPENSES			
Program services			
International programs	3,562,729	_	3,562,729
National programs	109,784		109,784
Total program services	3,672,513		3,672,513
Supporting services			
Fundraising	479,935	_	479,935
General and administrative	130,670	_	130,670
Total supporting services	610,605		610,605
Total expenses	4,283,118		4,283,118
Changes in net assets	204,376	(44,218)	160,158
Net assets at beginning of year	232,324	44,218	276,542
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)	436,700		436,700

### Statements

Statements of activities and changes in net assets for the year ended December 31, 2016

	2016		
	Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted \$	Total \$
REVENUE			
Contributions and grants	1,153,366	148,255	1,301,621
Contributed services and materials	1,764	_	1,764
Net assets released from donor restrictions	266,537	(266,537)	-
Total revenue	1,421,667	(118,282)	1,303,385
EXPENSES			
Program services			
International programs	604,557	_	604,557
National programs	110,596		110,596
Total program services	715,153		715,153
Supporting services			
Fundraising	383,753	_	383,753
General and administrative	150,072		150,072
Total supporting services	533,825		533,825
Total expenses	1,248,978		1,248,978
Changes in net assets	172,689	(118,282)	54,407
Net assets at beginning of year	59,635	162,500	222,135
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS (DEFICIT)	232,324	44,218	276,542

#### Indifference is a disease.

We believe that standing by silently is harmful and contagious.

It is our responsibility as citizens of a global community to help people access the health care that is their right, and we take that responsibility very seriously.

You don't have to spread indifference. There are many ways you can help by supporting Doctors of the World USA.

### How you can help

#### DONATE

Online: Through the donate page on our website you can sign up to make a one-time gift, or set up a monthly donation. We also provide options for employee giving platforms.

Offline: You can send us a check, include us in your estate planning, or donate shares of stock to Doctors of the World USA.

If you have any questions about making a gift to Doctors of the World USA, please contact Development Officer Antoine Bogaerts at antoine@ doctorsoftheworld.org or by calling him at 646-847-2212.

#### VOLUNTEER

We rely heavily on our volunteers and are continually grateful and proud of the amazing work they do. As a volunteer you will be making a difference in the lives of vulnerable and marginalized people at home and overseas.

Applications for medical and nonmedical volunteers are accepted on a rolling basis. Send your resume and a brief statement of interest to volunteer@doctorsoftheworld.org. Be sure to include the volunteer type and department in the subject of your email (communications, development, events or programs).



#### FIND OUT MORE

Visit our website for more information on the work that we do and how you can get involved. Doctors of the World USA: www.doctorsoftheworld.org

Médecins du Monde: www.medecinsdumonde.org



Iraq, primary and sexual reproductive care for refugees and internally displaced people © Guillaume Pinon

## Thank you

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