

*A GUIDE TO U.S. INVESTMENTS IN GLOBAL HEALTH*

# TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES WORLDWIDE

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## U.S. INVESTMENTS IN GLOBAL HEALTH WORK.

Thanks to U.S. investments, we are in sight of achieving an AIDS-free generation; ending preventable child and maternal deaths; curbing deadly infectious diseases like tuberculosis and malaria; and eradicating polio, Guinea worm, and measles.

## U.S. INVESTMENTS BUILD HEALTHIER, MORE SELF-RELIANT COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD.

Global health programs are among the most important, cost-effective, and successful forms of foreign aid. For every **\$1** invested in global health, there is an expected **10- to 20-fold return** in economic benefits.



## THE U.S. IS A LEADER IN GLOBAL HEALTH

### *Ending Infectious Diseases*

Through PEPFAR, since 2003, more than **2.2 million babies at risk of HIV in Africa have been born free of HIV**, and millions of AIDS orphans and vulnerable children have received compassionate care and support.

### *Helping Families & Communities Prosper*

Over the past 15 years, preventable **child deaths have been cut in half**, from about **12.7 million to 5.4 million**, and annual maternal deaths have declined from **532,000 to 303,000**.

### *Investing for the Future*

One-third of all new global health technologies – **42 new drugs, vaccines, and diagnostics** to fight HIV/AIDS, malaria, TB, Ebola, NTDs, and other health issues – **have been supported by the U.S. government**.



**WE NEED CONTINUED U.S. LEADERSHIP TO MEET OUR EXISTING COMMITMENTS AS WELL AS ADDRESS RAPIDLY EVOLVING GLOBAL HEALTH RISKS, INCLUDING NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND OTHER NEGLECTED HEALTH THREATS THAT INCREASINGLY AFFECT ALL POPULATIONS.**

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“ GLOBAL HEALTH IS MORE THAN JUST TREATING DISEASES. ”

Global health is more than just treating diseases. It also means training frontline health workers, including lab technicians and pharmacists; funding new vaccines, treatments, and other innovations; and **building resilient and sustainable health systems** that provide equitable access to quality care.



The recent Ebola and Zika outbreaks illustrate the importance of building strong health systems: **a weak health system anywhere in the world could pose a public health threat to the United States.**

The United States is a partner to the Global Health Security Agenda, which helps countries build their capacity to **prevent, detect, and respond** to local outbreaks.



Contact your Members of Congress and ask them to maintain global health and foreign assistance investments. Share the facts above along with your personal stories and experience!



Write an op-ed or letter to the editor on why we need robust global health investments and submit it to local media outlets.



Spread the word throughout your community that #GlobalHealthWorks!

**TAKE ACTION!**

