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### **Stories of Hope** A message from President and CEO, David Morley

hank you for supporting UNICEF. It's only thanks to caring and committed friends like you that we can reach the poorest, most vulnerable children in the world's most inaccessible places. In this issue of For Every Child, you'll read about some of the ways you are helping to save children's lives and protect them from harm.

Get a first-hand account of life in the field – from waves of sadness to moments of heroism – as seen through the eyes of international journalist and UNICEF worker Sarah Crowe in "Telling Stories That Matter" (page 6).

In Uganda, where more than 55% of the population is aged 18 or younger, UNICEF has taken a bold and innovative approach to giving youth the opportunity to speak up and be heard. Learn all about it in "Giving Voice to Youth" (page 8).

Closer to home, yet no less remote, UNICEF is working with Inuit families in Nunavut to help bridge the gap between the traditional and the new. Learn more in "Listen to Your Elders" (page 10).

Discover why birth certificates matter in "Abigail's Story" (page 15). Without legal proof of their existence, children such as Abigail can't enrol in school and have no protection against child labour or child trafficking. As the grandfather of a little girl about Abigail's age, I was profoundly touched by her story. I'm grateful to our donors who made it possible for UNICEF to register Abigail and 30,000 other children in the Central African Republic last year.

From northern Canada to South Sudan, your support is making a huge difference in the lives of children all over the globe. To truly understand the reach and impact of your generosity, turn to page 16.



On behalf of all of us at UNICEF, and the millions of children whose lives you help save every day, thank you for believing, as we do, that **no child is too far**.

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A first-grade girl is excited to receive her UNICEF backpack at Oda Aneso Primary School in rural Ethiopia.

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n early February, three women boarded a plane headed to Ethiopia. Their mission: to witness firsthand how we are making a difference in the lives of children and families in this east African nation.

The trip, led by Meg French, UNICEF Canada's Director of International Policy and Programs, marked the beginning of an innovative new four-year program called The 25th Team. The name of the team was inspired by the fact that 24 soccer teams comprised of exceptional athletes from around the world will compete in Canada in the Women's World Cup this summer. The 25th Team is comprised of 60 equally dynamic women from across Canada who have pledged to make a difference in the lives of children and mothers.

Unique to UNICEF Canada, The 25th Team is concerned with the elimination of preventable maternal and child deaths, and providing mothers and children with quality healthcare and nutrition.





Over the next four years, The 25th Team will focus its attention on five countries in three continents: Ethiopia, Peru, Namibia, Cambodia and Indonesia.

Since almost half (44%) of all child deaths occur within the first month of life, providing skilled care to mothers during pregnancy, as well as during and after birth, greatly contributes to child survival. In Ethiopia, for example, pneumonia, diarrhea, malnutrition and basic childbirth complications account for a significant percentage of the more than 64 out of every 1,000 children that die before the age of five.

#### "These are deaths that can be prevented with some basic tools and knowledge," says French. "That's what The 25th Team is all about."

What's better is that the investment made by The 25th Team in these five countries in maternal and newborn health will be multiplied. Our unique partnerships with governments, private sector supporters and donors, means that all gifts will continue to grow exponentially all based on the proof that our programs work - meanin that more mothers and their children's lives will be save

It didn't take long for French, along with members of the team, Gail MacNaughton and Jessica Houssian, to see the massive impact UNICEF is having on children throughout the country. For example, the Health Extension Program, started in 2003, brings much-needed healthcare and resources to Ethiopia's hardest-to-reach rural population, providing them with basic health services and teaching them about everything from nutrition to the importance of keeping livestock outside the home to using mosquito nets to prevent malaria.

- "I came back with a much better understanding of how UNICEF delivers its programs and the extraordinary reach of its mission," says MacNaughton, who was especially moved after visiting a Model Household, so called because the home has met most of the criteria set out by the Health Extension Program.
- "I carry her face with me still," says MacNaughton, referring to Sintayehu, the mother of six she met in that small mud hut where they live, in rural Ethiopia. Sintayehu volunteers to educate five other families in her community about the health benefits of creating a Model Household. The family earns its income through agriculture. For Sintayehu, this involves long days spent in the fields, tending to their stock and taking long walks - three times a day - to gather water. She does all this so her six children won't have to, so they can attend school instead.
- "She's made it her mission to keep all her children in school thereby offering them a better future, hopefully one in which they can decide for themselves what sort of future they will have," says MacNaughton. "When I see her face, I see sadness and strength. I see dignity and pride. I see the millions of women and children we're going to reach through this program."

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#### **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

#### **CAMBODIA**

In Cambodia, inequities in health and nutrition outcomes continue to persist between rural and urban areas, across provinces and between people

with different educational levels and economic status. This program will scale up interventions to reduce mortality among children under five, focusing on the two provinces with the greatest need. 53,500 women, girls and boys will directly benefit.

#### **ETHIOPIA**

In Ethiopia, only 7 percent of children under five are registered at birth. This project will help to put a birth registration system in place, directly benefiting 3,379,734 women girls and boys.

#### **INDONESIA**

Indonesia has some of the most troubling nutrition statistics in the world. Almost eight million children are stunted and there are an estimated three million cases of severe acute malnutrition every year.

Addressing the nutritional status of adolescent girls and women is particularly important to improve these outcomes. This program will directly reach 50,000 adolescent girls with nutrition interventions.

#### **PERU**

In the Amazonian provinces in Peru, indigenous rural populations do not have access to culturally relevant health services or adequate care. This

project will strengthen health strategies and interventions aimed at preventing maternal and neonatal mortality, and improving the nutritional status of pregnant women and newborns living in these vulnerable communities. This will directly benefit 4,889 women, girls and boys.

#### NAMIBIA

In Namibia, 320,400 women, girls and boys will directly benefit from improved health and birth registration services.



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Pictured and below: Sarah Crowe, UNICEF Chief of Crisis Con shares a moment with Abong Ojulu and h son Tek at a health post in Gambella Stat

# **Telling Stories That Matter AN INTERVIEW WITH SARAH CROWE**

by Tina Wayland

ou could say Sarah Crowe is a rare breed. Born of Irish parents in Zimbabwe and raised in South Africa, she has gone wherever the story takes her - as an international journalist, an activist and as a humanitarian worker for UNICEF.

From covering the wars of Angola and the Democratic Republic of Congo, the HIV and AIDS crisis in Sub-Saharan Africa, conflict and floods in Pakistan, and the Ebola outbreak in Liberia. Sarah carries with her the stories of all the children she's met.

Here, she shares a few of those stories with us.



#### How did being a journalist prepare you for working with UNICEF?

I was used to "parachuting in" - telling people's stories, and then leaving. But with UNICEF, I don't just listen and leave. UNICEF is there before, during and after a crisis. There's continuity. I can follow up with the children I meet – like Stick, the child soldier whose job was to walk ahead with a stick to protect his commander from bullets and landmines. UNICEF is helping to rehabilitate and train him; there is progress.



#### What makes UNICEF effective in even the most difficult circumstances?

When I first started with UNICEF, I was on the road I witnessed so much suffering, yet so much bravery. I every two to three weeks, working out of South Africa. met a feisty five-year-old in Monrovia named Anne-Everywhere I went, I would find UNICEF. Even in the Marie. She and her brother and sister were staying most remote villages, amongst the fighting, UNICEF was at a UNICEF children's centre, since their parents there, with supplies, training and opportunities, saving were thought to have died of Ebola. The centre was a lives. In the midst of the AIDS crisis, we would find entire happy place with colourful rooms, mosquito bed-nets, villages without adults; just children and their grannies. activities and caregivers who checked children twice The very existence of small countries was under threat. I a day for symptoms. Then I heard Anne-Marie had don't know what would have happened to those children symptoms - the same day they discovered her father without UNICEF. You can see the difference our work and mother had in fact survived. I called every few makes right there, on the ground. days for news, and before leaving, I learned Anne-Marie was getting better. I even have a photo of the These sorts of circumstances are difficult to family holding their survivor discharge certificates, witness. What keeps you motivated? and I was able to locate that information once I left because of UNICEF's presence on the ground. That's When you are in the thick of it, it's easy to be what makes it all bearable, knowing that we are there, making a difference.

overwhelmed by the scale, the suffering and the sadness. But it's almost always when you reach that point that Given all the experiences that you have had in you find a glimpse of everyday heroism, and more often the field, what is your wish for children? than not, that heroism is children just being children. They almost always find something to laugh about, some game to play, and that helps you steel yourself and That I wouldn't have to make a wish for children. That gather the courage and motivation to keep going. things would just be right.

Five-year-old Anne-Marie is one of the many children Sarah has seen thrive, hanks to UNICEF and donors like you.

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#### You saw the Ebola outbreak in Liberia first-hand. Can you give the crisis a human face?

#### **FROM THE FIELD**

# Giving Voice to Youth

by Jay Somerset

ow do you help engage Ugandans? By giving its largest demographic - youth a chance to speak up and be heard.

The issues facing Uganda are not unique. Child poverty, disease, access to education and clean water; like many African nations, Uganda's problems are vast and pressing. More than 55% of the population are aged 18 or younger. For aid workers, this is especially difficult: how do you best help a country when the majority of its citizens - youth - aren't even being heard?

For UNICEF, helping Ugandan youth required a bold, innovative approach. The solution: reach youth where they already are - on their mobile phones. Nearly half of all Ugandan youth own a mobile phone with texting, or SMS capabilities. In fact, Uganda ranks among the top 10 African countries in terms of mobile phone users. In



Family Health Day is happening in Nakapiripirit 2day! Go 2 ur local church 2 get free health services. SMS us wth any Qs you may have.



comparison, internet usage isn't nearly as extensive among Ugandans because of high costs and poor infrastructure across the most remote regions of the country. But while kids might be offline, they're likely on their phones.

With this in mind, UNICEF created a free phone-based app called U-report, which gives young people a way to voice their concerns and communicate with their peers across the country. Anyone with a phone can become

> a U-reporter simply by texting "JOIN" to a toll-free short code, and then answering a few questions to verify identity.

Since its unveiling in May 2011, U-report has made a massive, positive impact. Today, more than 287,000 Ugandans use the tool as a way to speak out on issues. It's forced the country's decision-makers, including parliament, to not only listen to, but act on what young people are saying. For example, an MP discovered through U-report that immunization levels for children in her district were low. An awareness campaign was quickly launched.

"It helps to know that everyone in Uganda is struggling against the same hard things," says Fiona, an avid U-reporter who has helped raise awareness about a broken water pump in her neighbourhood. "It's nice to be listened to for a change."

Dr. Sharad Sapra, UNICEF's Principal Adviser on Innovation, calls U-report a "game-changing application" for Uganda, one that could be equally valuable to other countries. With this in mind, UNICEF is working with telecom companies in Uganda to help make it even easier for people to access U-report by adding U-report functionality into public phones.

U-report's success isn't limited to empowering and mobilizing youth and spurring responsive government. It also helps UNICEF and other field workers deploy aid in a more directed and timely matter. In a recent example, U-report helped identify a key piece of information related to an outbreak of an epilepsy-related illness, known as "nodding disease", that was affecting children aged 15 or younger in particular. When UNICEF asked about the disease, more than 3,000 U-reporters responded - the vast majority coming from northern districts. So, UNICEF immediately knew where to first provide necessary aid and treatment. Similarly, U-report proved itself to be an essential aid tool during the recent Ebola crisis, providing the latest information on how to prevent the virus from spreading and how to seek information for treatment.

Inexpensive, simple to use and easy to implement, U-report allows young people a chance to help mould their country and shape their futures. As U-report is proving, every voice and every child can make a difference.







#### **UNICEF INNOVATIONS**

Innovation is not new to UNICEF. For decades we've pushed the boundaries of international development through our innovations. See two simple innovations that have transformed millions of lives:



#### **IODIZED SALT**

We're told to cut down on our salt intake today, but salt now carries iodine - a micronutrient that's essential to physical and mental well-being. At UNICEF, we found a way to deliver muchneeded iodine to millions of people, through an inexpensive and easy-to-deliver carrier: salt. Today, UNICEF is helping deliver iodized salt to more than 13 countries. Simple and effective; one teaspoon a day, that's all it takes to save lives.



#### **COLLAPSIBLE WATER CONTAINER**

Everyone needs access to safe drinking water but even if you have a water source nearby, there's the problem of storing it and carrying it, especially if you're one of millions of people who must carry family-sized amounts by foot. UNICEF devised a collapsible water container that is rigid enough to stack and transport, light enough to carry and store and big enough - each jug holds 10L to ensure every family has ample water at hand.

# Listen to Your Elders

by Lisa Wolff

Www.intertime, for me, began in mid-August when I left humid Toronto and flew to the tiny northern Canada hamlet of Arviat. Located along the western shore of Hudson Bay, in the Kivalliq Region of Nunavut, Arviat is a picturesque gem. But the extreme climate and isolation make both traditional and modern living difficult. And yet, Inuit parents have been raising resilient, balanced children on this land for millennia. So, how do you raise "capable" children, the objective of Inuit parenting, in such challenging conditions? That's what I came to find out.

The answer to this question isn't found online or in a textbook. Instead, it is found within the memories, oral history and traditions of the Elders: those born pre-colonization, of which there are perhaps only 100 still living in Nunavut. Community leader Shirley Tagalik – who, along with her associates, was awarded the Arctic Inspiration Prize for helping to capture Elder knowledge – says that harnessing Elder wisdom will help subsequent generations of children not only survive, but thrive, in the North. As Southern Canadians, we are used to hearing about the ills and injustices endured by indigenous peoples. But spend any time in Arviat and you soon discover a wealth of ingenuity, strength and talent that stretches well beyond what you'd expect to find in a community of just 3,500 people. Here, most children are bilingual, speaking both English and Inuktitut. Some have been able to excel at traditional skills, such as hunting and living off the land – not exactly easy in such a harsh climate – while also excelling at school. Like the young woman I met who is using modern technology to market cultural and ecological tourism, a venture that won her a global tourism prize.

For other children, "success" is a term not easily defined. Here, as with much of the North, life is paradoxical. Take one boy I met while in Arviat. Using just a small boat and his adept skills as a fisherman, he was able to singlehandedly catch a whale, and in doing so, helped feed his community with it. He's clearly talented and resilient, but he struggles in school. The clash between traditional and southern cultures (such as formal education and remote governments) is a challenge for many Nunavut youth. How do you marry the old ways with the new? Catching a whale or graduating high school: what's more important? To the Elders, raising children has always been about balance, wherein children are raised to be neither "hard like a stone" nor "fragile like an egg", as they describe it.

Working alongside our frequent partner, the National Collaborating Centre for Aboriginal Health, UNICEF Canada is helping bridge the gap between the cultures that Canadian children must navigate, whether indigenous or newcomer, girl or boy, or any other identity. Our work as Canadians is to build a nation where every child belongs.

As a mother, I understand how difficult it is to raise kids in a rapidly changing society. Listening to and documenting the Elders' wisdom could benefit children across Canada. After all, what better lesson is there than one that teaches collaboration, resiliency and creativity?



A mother and child share a special moment in Baffin Island, Nunavut. UNICEF Canada is working alongside our frequent partner, National Centre for Aboriginal Health, to bridge the gap between Southern Canadian and Northern cultures.





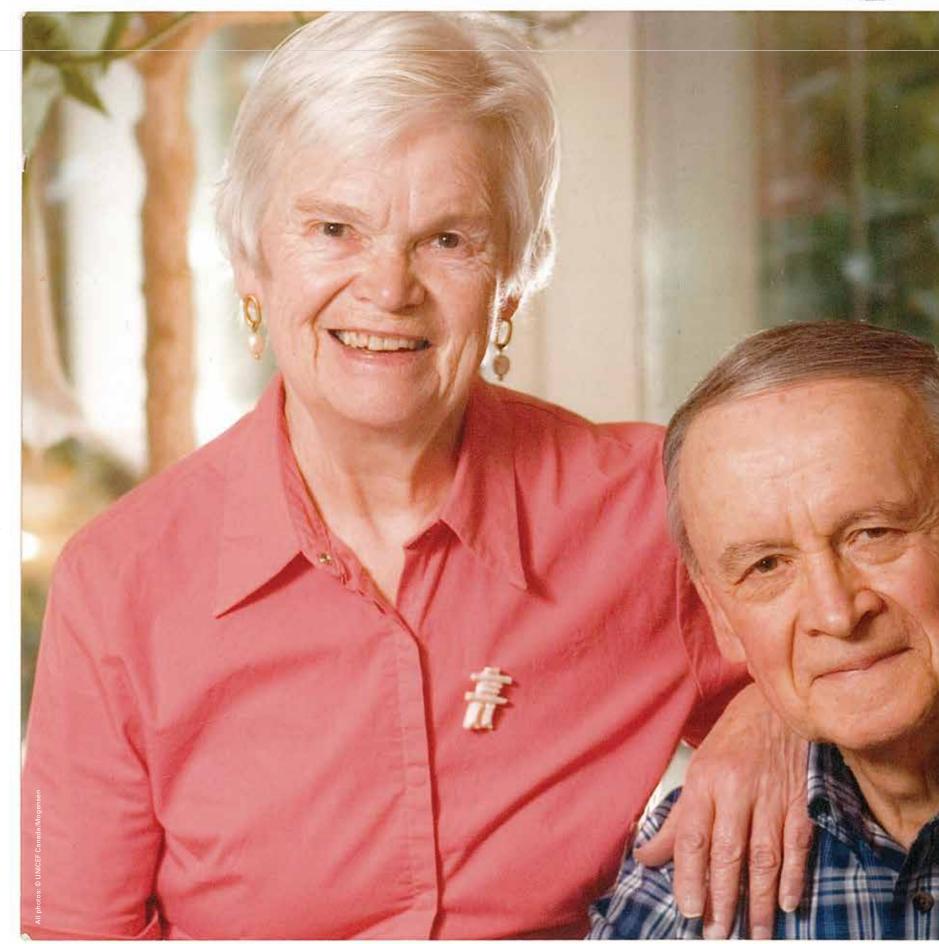
## See How They Grow

by Peter Alexander

hirty-five years is a wonderfully long time to give. It's so long, in fact, that many of the children helped by Helen Mogensen's first donation to UNICEF will have since grown to adulthood and might now have kids of their own.

Even in her earliest years, Helen Mogensen cared a great deal for the little things. As a very young child, she woke up before the sun rose over the family farm to tend the garden with her mother. And she never stopped nurturing – becoming a teacher, then a mother to six beloved children. She passed her spirit on to her own kids, instilling in them a spirit of generosity they carry to this day.

The idea to first join UNICEF came to her simply and gradually. A friend of Helen's was a volunteer, and her stories of hope and need were an inspiration.



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Hugh and Helen Mogensen pose for a family portrait. For 35 years, Mrs. Mogensen was a dedicated supporter of UNICEF, and countless children around the world.



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Along with her husband, Hugh, Helen felt a powerful pull to be there for young people in their most difficult times. There was an opportunity to join an organization that spanned the globe, one that allowed them to reach out to those in need of a helping hand, no matter how far.

In her own community of Victoria, Helen did so many little things that would add up to big things in faraway corners of the world. In the days leading up to Halloween, Helen spoke to children at assemblies about the importance of helping others, distributing little orange UNICEF boxes so the young ghosts and goblins could collect donations. When the local UNICEF store closed, she sold UNICEF cards and other gifts from her home. And as the chair of UNICEF Victoria, she organized and inspired countless fundraising events, from tea parties to salmon bakes. Helen never cared much for money, except as something to share with those less fortunate. And her heart hurt for children born into peril simply due to a lack of something that she could help provide, be it immunization, schooling or the timely delivery of emergency food or water. As Hugh says, today the need is greater than ever. With war in Syria, Ebola outbreaks in western Africa and many innocent young lives in peril, children today are in great need.

Helen's final wishes included generous donations to no less than 14 different beneficiaries, including a final legacy gift to UNICEF through the Victoria Foundation. It was a fitting tribute to the couple's three-and-a-half decades of helping. And while none of the people saved by her first donation so many years ago could possibly know Helen's name, the spirit of her gifts lives on.

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## Abigail's Story

### WHY BIRTH CERTIFICATES MATTER

by Madeline Logan

bigail was born in the midst of a coup d'état. It was March 2013 when a coalition of rebel groups took over the Central African Republic's government and went on a rampage, destroying health centres, schools and government offices.

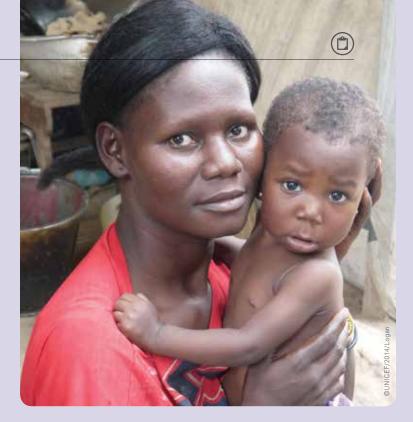
Abigail's mother couldn't risk a trip to the mayor's office<br/>to register her daughter's birth. In any case, the birth<br/>registry was soon destroyed by the rebel groups.Thanks to his birth certificate, Gaston can enrol in<br/>school. Gaston is protected against child labour, child<br/>trafficking and illegal inter-country adoption. Gaston's<br/>family could easily be traced if he became separated<br/>during a conflict, and he could be repatriated if he<br/>became a refugee.

Nine months later, the conflict came to Abigail's quarter.became a refugee.Abigail's family fled to the closest site for internallybecame a refugee.displaced people. Along with cooking pots and clothes,Without a birth certificate, Abigail doesn't have thisher family carefully packed up the two birth certificatesSame protection. Abigail's parents knew this, but theyhad more pressing concerns. The family's house hadbeen completely destroyed. Her father couldn't workIt was an act of hope. Abigail's parents knew that theseanymore. How would they buy food?

It was an act of hope. Abigail's parents knew that these slips of paper were essential for their children's future. With these certificates, their children could enrol in school and prove their age – instead of being recruited into the armed forces.

But not all children were so fortunate. No child born in the Central African Republic since March 2013 had a birth certificate. That's about 30,000 children in the capital city alone without any legal proof of who they are or that they even exist.

Why should we care about this little piece of paper? Because without it, children have no protection. They can't prove their age, can't prove who their family is and can't prove their nationality.



's Let's compare Abigail to her six-year-old brother, Gaston.

So it was a relief when a volunteer came to their tent
in the displacement site and offered to register Abigail.
UNICEF and the government of the Central African
Republic were holding a campaign in the capital city,
Bangui, and the two neighbouring towns of Begoua and
Bimbo, to register children born between March 2013
and March 2014.

More than 30,000 children were registered during that 10-day campaign. It's a great start. But there are thousands more babies and children throughout the Central African Republic who still don't have birth certificates. We won't stop until we've reached every last one of them.

# **Your Donations** in Action

#### by Madeline Logan

ehind the scenes at UNICEF, we have the world's largest and most efficient humanitarian supply chain - a network of warehouses in Copenhagen, Dubai, Panama City and Shanghai. In Copenhagen alone we stock enough emergency supplies to meet the needs of 250,000 people for three weeks. Canadians are key to keeping those shelves filled and getting items out to nearly every country in the world, every day of the year.

This is just a small peek at the big impact you had on children in 2014:



#### **CENTRAL AMERICA**

UNICEF is helping to provide housing, food, medical care, education and legal assistance to the estimated **47,000** unaccompanied children in Central America.



#### DENMARK

In just 27 days, our supply hub shipped 33 emergency cargo loads of life-saving supplies to children caught in urgent crises in South Sudan, Iraq, Liberia, Syria and the Central African Republic. It was the biggest emergency supply operation in our history.

#### WEST AFRICA

You helped us send an estimated 3,000 metric tonnes – the weight of about 250 buses - of protective equipment, essential medicine and other supplies to Ebolaaffected countries in West Africa.

#### **CENTRAL AFRICAN** REPUBLIC

With your support, we mobilized 7.000 volunteers to distribute 530,000 mosquito nets in a single month, during the heavy rains when the risk of malaria was at its highest.



#### UKRAINE

You helped us provide **140,000 people** with safe drinking water caught in the conflict in Eastern Ukraine.



#### SYRIA

You helped vaccinate 2.5 million children against polio and gave 4 million people access to clean water and hygiene supplies.



#### PAKISTAN Together, we took 1.7 billion

to the field to reach **500 million** children, persuading families to accept the vaccine in a country where the disease remains endemic.



You helped our rapid-response teams deploy:

- food assistance to more than 500.000 children and their families;
- malnutrition screening for **64,000 children**;
- measles vaccinations for 100,000 children; and
- safe access to water for more than 62.000 children and their families.

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#### **PHILIPPINES**

You provided:

- clean water to 1.3 million people;
- hygiene supplies to 500,000 children at school; measles vaccines to
- 1.3 million children; and
- more than 2,000 temporary learning spaces.

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#### **REPUBLIC OF VANUATU**

You helped us be on the ground with much needed medical supplies to reach 17,500 children.

# Partners in Saving Lives

by Jay Somerset

anada has been a strong supporter of UNICEF since our establishment in 1946.

No other humanitarian agency has saved as many lives as UNICEF. UNICEF is the best-known UN agency in Canada and a trusted government partner. But while UNICEF is part of the UN, all of its funding comes from voluntary contributions from our donors – people like you – and from the Government of Canada. This is the only way that our life-saving work for children around the world is made possible.

Over the past 69 years, we have made remarkable progress and 2015 will be no different. Simply put, we must continue our work.

Around the globe, 17,000 children still die each day from preventable causes such as malnutrition, diarrhea and pneumonia. These children are exposed to brutality and horrors we can't even imagine. But your donations are helping UNICEF make a difference in children's lives.



#### **AFGHANISTAN**

#### The Problem

In Afghanistan we're on the brink of eradicating polio, a disease that can leave children paralyzed and disfigured, even dead.

#### **The Solution**

With close to \$20 million in funding from Canada, UNICEF is helping vaccinate more than seven million children each year, reducing polio cases by 62 percent and aggressively contributing to the worldwide decline of the disease.

Thank you to those donors who have responded to our vaccination appeals, who are helping to make this possible.



#### **ETHIOPIA**

#### The Problem

In Ethiopia, the problem is poverty. Drought, floods and landslides are exacerbating an already fragile situation, destroying crops and setting the stage for malnutrition, especially among growing children. The damage caused by a lack of nutrition is often irreversible, hindering a child's development and jeopardizing their potential.

#### **The Solution**

With \$50 million in aid from the Canadian government, UNICEF is improving nutrition for mothers and children in Ethiopia. To date, 90,000 severely malnourished children have received lifesaving treatment and 1.6 million of Ethiopia's children have been reached by 28,000 health workers. Great strides are being made to ensure that this momentum is not lost and that these children have bright futures.

As innocent victims of these and other crises around the world, children's futures must not be among the casualties of conflict and poverty. Together with Canadians like you and the Government of Canada, UNICEF will be there for children, whenever and wherever they need us most.



#### IRAQ

#### The Problem

In Iraq, children are caught between two brutal conflicts, and are not getting the education and protection they need. These children are at risk of becoming a lost generation. They are caught in a cycle of severe hardship, facing violence and abuse. Many are living in camps and haven't been to school in months, even years.

#### **The Solution**

With an \$8 million commitment from Canada, UNICEF will be reaching up to 200,000 at-risk children with education, protection and activities that can help them heal, learn and start to imagine who they can be once the conflict subsides.

# **Savings Lives With Every Donation** NO CHILD TOO FAR

I've always believed that not all dollars are created equal. Those that go to help children are especially precious. So when donors like you give, we believe passionately that we must use your dollars to bring the most possible good into the world.

And so I want to share two pieces of important information. The first is where your donations went in 2014.



Facts and figures don't tell the whole story, and behind the numbers lies something truly inspiring. Hope. The generosity of so many donors like you, combined with our commitment and experience, brings hope to millions of children who struggle to survive and thrive amid calamity, war and famine.

The second piece of news is our appearance on a select list. The Imagine Canada Standards Program establishes guidelines for charities, based on five areas.

- Board Governance
- Financial Accountability and Transparency
- Fundraising
- Staff Management
- Volunteer Involvement

Just 150 charities have met their strict guidelines, and UNICEF Canada is one. We're proud that this achievement means we're bringing more good into the world with the support you provide.

Your donations may begin as dollars, but they grow into something bigger, something profound. They nurture a life-giving network, one that reaches to every corner of the planet, because there really is **no child too far.** 

Dave Spedding Chief Operating Officer, UNICEF Canada

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