

## An Open Letter from Canadian business and philanthropic leaders: It's time for us to #ShareTheHealth

As COVID-19 continues to affect us all, the world needs a united effort to deliver a solution. Only through fair, equitable, and affordable access to COVID-19 vaccines, can we truly end this pandemic for everyone.

This is a defining moment in history and we need, more than ever, private and public sector collaboration to accelerate the delivery of COVID-19 tests, treatments, and vaccines for every country in the world. And we must move quickly.

An effort of this scale and speed has never been attempted before, and UNICEF's role is critical to making it happen. UNICEF has been asked to deliver more than two billion vaccines to countries around the world, and we believe Canada can help.

Canada has spoken. <u>Two thirds of people in Canada</u> believe we should play an active part in ensuring lower-income countries have access to COVID-19 vaccines. The pandemic has been scary and uncertain for us all – and vaccines offer us a pathway out. Within months of the vaccines being approved, over 50% of adults in Canada have received their first dose, but this is tragically far less in other parts of the world.

It's now time for us to #ShareTheHealth. UNICEF Canada is now calling on business and philanthropic leaders across Canada and urging them to support the largest drive in history to deliver vaccinations globally by donating to help end COVID-19 for everyone, everywhere.

We have committed to join UNICEF Canada to #ShareTheHealth for the following reasons:

- As a nation, it takes courage and leadership to help. We are lucky to live in a strong country, with accessible healthcare systems.
- No one is safe until we're all safe. We are in a race against time and we need to act swiftly to vaccinate as many people as
  possible before more variants emerge.
- UNICEF is the organization that can get this done. With decades of experience delivering over two billion vaccines
  globally every year, UNICEF has the knowledge, network and on-the-ground presence to deliver the largest, fastest
  immunization effort in history, but they need our help.

Each donation is essential. We are donating funds towards this effort for the health and safety of communities around the world and for the future stability of our global economies. With this open letter, we are **calling on all Canadian business and philanthropic leaders** to join us in supporting UNICEF Canada in raising funds to provide equitable access to vaccines globally.

Through solidarity and global citizenship, we can, and will, end this pandemic if we pull our resources together now and **#ShareTheHealth**.

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"These remarkable business and philanthropic leaders are showing the world that nothing is impossible when you lead with courage and compassion. UNICEF is grateful and applauds these leaders who have stepped forward to play a part in the largest drive in history to deliver vaccinations globally." - David Morley, President and CEO of UNICEF Canada

Join us in Sharing The Health by visiting <u>www.unicef.ca/ShareTheHealth</u> for more information.