

A young boy with short dark hair, wearing a white button-down shirt, is leaning his arms on a wooden desk. He is looking towards the camera with a slight smile. In the background, there is a green chalkboard with some faint, illegible writing. A red rectangular box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text '2019 Annual Report'.

2019 Annual Report

MISSION

Control and eliminate the most prevalent neglected diseases among the world's poorest and most vulnerable people.

VISION

To ensure people at risk of NTDs can live healthy and prosperous lives.



The END Fund is grateful for all of our investors and partners without whom the success achieved in 2019 and beyond would not be possible.

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VALUES



Results and Efficiency

The END Fund has a singular focus— to reduce the prevalence of NTDs in the most cost-effective, high-impact manner possible. The END Fund takes a results-oriented approach and rigorously monitors every grant investment. We believe that part of achieving great results is a commitment to taking on and responding to challenges swiftly, staying flexible, and fostering and embracing innovation.



Servant Leadership

Successful NTD control and elimination efforts are dependent on a broad range of partners working together in concert: health and development NGOs, visionary and committed investors, pharmaceutical companies, and leaders within disease-endemic countries. The END Fund is dedicated to serving the broader goals and vision of the NTD movement and to always finding ways to leverage our unique assets to be of highest service to the collective movement.




Excellence and Stewardship

The END Fund adopts a private sector approach that employs best practice principles, eschewing unnecessary bureaucracy and delivering the very highest returns on an investment. We are always mindful of the trust investors have placed in the END Fund and we are deeply committed to the responsible planning and management of assets.



Joy and the Transformational Power of Giving

We believe that giving should be a joyful and transformative experience that enhances the lives of investor and grantee alike. A donation to the END Fund introduces investors to the African concept of “Ubuntu” which means, “I am because you are.” This is the recognition that we are all connected to one another and that by helping others, we help ourselves.



“They are giving us medication so that we will not get sick and have diseases from worms. I remember before we got this type of medication we used to fall asleep in class. If I finish my studies, I want to be a teacher [and] would like to teach history. I want to help the children of my country have more knowledge.”

Nyirangaruye Gerardine, standing alongside her mother, is 15 years old and attends Musekara secondary school in Musanze, Rwanda. She is one of the students who received treatment for intestinal worms as part of the national deworming program supported by the END Fund in Rwanda.




Lelamo Mukhtar Turgemu lives in Sankura, Ethiopia with his wife and ten children. Prior to experiencing the advanced symptoms of lymphatic filariasis (elephantiasis), Lelamo was a prosperous farmer and landowner who worked diligently to provide for his family. As his condition deteriorated, Lelamo was unable to work and had no other choice than to sell his land. Like many communities affected by neglected tropical diseases (NTDs), his family became trapped in a cycle of poverty. His son, Fuad, dropped out of school to tend to the farm, and his wife, Kaybiya, bears the responsibility of raising their children and caring for the home.

The END Fund's Reaching the Last Mile Fund is working to eliminate lymphatic filariasis (LF), a mosquito-borne disease caused by filarial parasites. When a mosquito carrying the parasite bites a person, the parasite enters the person's body, migrating to the lymphatic vessels where it develops into an adult worm. Globally, 894 million people are in need of treatment for LF.

“I pray that my children live a good life and that they stay healthy, because even if they are poor, they can work and survive. They can go to school and end up having a good life. In order to do all of that, health is the most important. Health comes first and is the most important thing.”

—Lelamo Mukhtar Turgemu





“I’m so excited about being a community health worker because it is life-saving and I will help improve the lives of people. Since my community trusts me, they believe that I have the capability to do this job.”

— Christophe Gasaniro

In 2010, Christophe Gasaniro was chosen by his community to become a community health worker (CHW). CHWs play a vital role in Rwanda's health system.

For the NTD program in Rwanda, CHWs help communities prevent NTDs by teaching better hygiene practices, delivering medicine in schools and communities during mass drug administrations (MDAs), and reporting on the effectiveness of the campaigns in their areas. CHWs like Christophe will begin to take on even more responsibilities as the program scales up. Christophe has undergone training to identify people who may have symptoms of intestinal worms and schistosomiasis. This

will be especially helpful for the country's ambitious goal of accelerating progress towards ending these diseases, supported by the END Fund's Deworming Innovation Fund. As the number of people with intestinal worms and schistosomiasis decreases, health centers will need to treat the remaining individual cases so that the entire population no longer requires MDA.

Where We Invested in 2019

25
COUNTRIES

GUYANA

A light orange map of the Americas, including North, Central, and South America. The country of Guyana is highlighted in a darker red color. A small red line points from the label 'GUYANA' to the highlighted country.



2019 Impact Highlights



17,053
SURGERIES PERFORMED

In Ethiopia we launched a new partnership to expand surgical care to people suffering from blinding trachoma. Through END Fund support to a consortium of NGOs specializing in trachoma care in Ethiopia, and with the leadership of the Ethiopian Ministry of Health, close to 100,000 people over a two-year period will receive the simple surgery they need to ensure they do not go blind. This will not only transform individual lives, but also the future of whole families and communities.

907,426

HEALTH WORKERS TRAINED

121.6M

PEOPLE TREATED

VALUE OF TREATMENTS

\$3339M

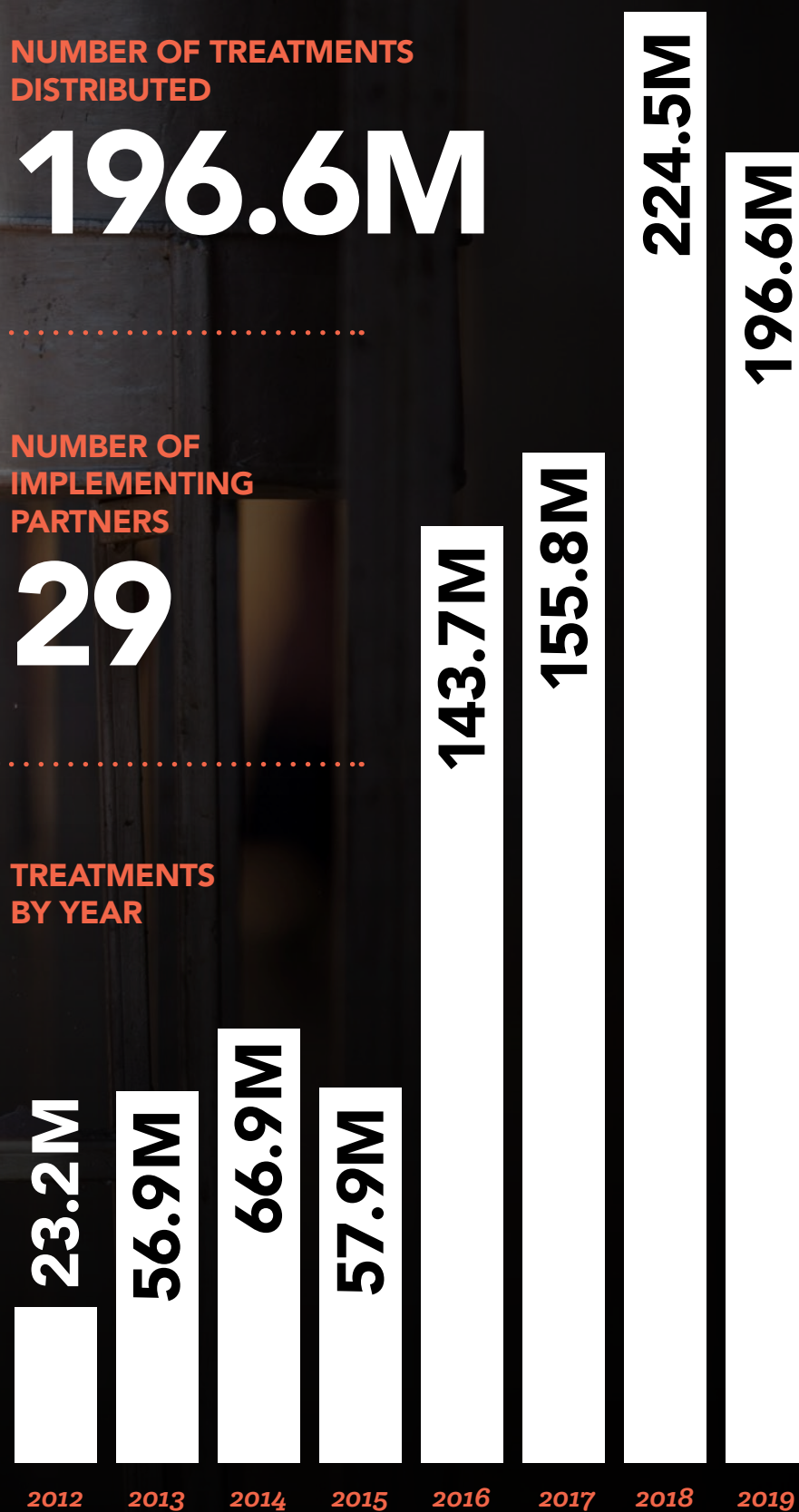
NUMBER OF TREATMENTS
DISTRIBUTED

196.6M

NUMBER OF
IMPLEMENTING
PARTNERS

29

TREATMENTS
BY YEAR





THE DRC REACHES NATIONAL COVERAGE FOR TREATMENT OF LF AND INTESTINAL WORMS

Located in the heart of Africa with over 80 million people, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) has one of the world's highest burdens of NTDs. The sheer size of the country, decades of conflict, and a limited health infrastructure have all contributed to the high prevalence of these devastating diseases.

Since we first started working in the DRC in 2014, we have actively coordinated with a coalition of partners — including the Ministry of Health, philanthropists, and NGOs — to ensure limited resources have the highest collective impact. This collaborative environment has led to major milestones. This year, we worked alongside the national NTD program to achieve integrated treatment for lymphatic filariasis and intestinal worms at a national scale in 185 health zones across 13 provinces. This ambitious campaign targeted over 26 million people. Integration enables ministries to roll out NTD programs that are more cost effective as training workshops, logistics, and supervision efforts are planned more efficiently.

The DRC is a priority investment for the END Fund, where our partners are working to expand integrated treatment across the country to include schistosomiasis, river blindness, and trachoma. The DRC is an example of the impact that can be achieved through strategic and effective partnerships that are rooted in country ownership.



Farmers who live and work near the Gambia River in Senegal are close to breeding sites for the black flies that transmit river blindness. This puts them at a greater risk for contracting the disease just through their every day tasks.

REACHING THE LAST MILE FUND

As part of the END Fund's overall impact in 2019, the Reaching the Last Mile Fund (RLMF) program delivered almost 15.1 million treatments for river blindness and LF worth \$62 million, and trained 358,883 health workers to help expand treatment and outreach. It also provided surgeries to 438 people experiencing advanced stages of LF.

Beyond these impactful numbers, RLMF's biggest achievement to date is supporting countries to scale-up and scale-down treatment. Knowing where and how long treatment is required enables countries to develop tailored elimination strategies and be more efficient with limited resources. By ensuring that programs treat the right people at the right time we can make sure no one is left behind. In Niger, Mali, Chad, and Senegal, RLMF has enabled national programs to identify and exclude geographic areas and populations where environmental circumstances make it impossible for river blindness transmission to take place. The RLMF is committed to supporting innovations in future years that will ensure every region of each country has the right tools and strategies to reach ambitious elimination goals.

COUNTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Senegal – River blindness is suspected to have been eliminated in some parts of Senegal. RLMF is supporting the country's Ministry of Health and Social Action to conduct stop treatment surveys, which will determine if the disease has been eliminated and treatment can be stopped.

Ethiopia – Mass treatment for river blindness is no longer required in Metema, a district along the border of Sudan - the only cross-border area in the world to have eliminated transmission of the disease. Ethiopia is also mapping all districts where geographical features, such as river basins, make disease transmission more likely. To date, treatment has scaled up to reach over 8 million people in the newly identified districts.

Transformative Partnerships

“The fight against NTDs is a great campaign because it affects millions of people in West Africa and Nigeria. To be on TV in Nigeria now is probably the best way of spreading the word...The whole idea is to raise awareness because the treatment is free but people just have to know about the possibility of getting the treatment and hopefully, it can prevent a lot of people from getting sick.”

—William Troost-Ekong

Working with countries to reach their control and elimination goals relies heavily on a range of strategic partnerships that allow individuals and private sector partners to engage in and support NTD efforts. In Nigeria, William Troost-Ekong — a football player on the national Super Eagles team — championed NTD awareness and treatment through the launch of a national public service announcement (PSA) that ran on radio and television stations.

The PSA, which aired in seven Nigerian states and in the federal capital, Abuja, was translated into five local languages. It was listened to more than 108 million times on the radio and viewed more than 3 million times on television. In his public address, William calls upon Nigerians to seek treatment and highlights Nigeria’s NTD burden, with more than 131 million Nigerians in need of treatment. William’s commitment to NTD control in Nigeria shows us that wide-scale reach can be achieved when we engage nontraditional voices in our efforts to end these diseases.





THE DEWORMING INNOVATION FUND: AN AUDACIOUS PROJECT





























































This was truly a landmark year in our work to reduce the burden of NTDs. In April, TED announced its support of the END Fund's Audacious Project, which aims to galvanize deworming programs and accelerate progress towards elimination goals in four countries through the Deworming Innovation Fund.

Slated to run through 2025, the Deworming Innovation Fund will invest in and alongside local resources in Ethiopia, Rwanda, Zimbabwe, and Kenya to accelerate progress towards ending two of the most common NTDs: intestinal worms and schistosomiasis. These countries have made trailblazing commitments to their national deworming programs. The END Fund will leverage drug donations from key pharmaceutical companies and coordinate with governments and other innovators to best support these progressive policies.

Over the next five years, this project will ensure that tens of millions of people — including those traditionally left behind, such as women of reproductive age and preschool-age children — will benefit from life-changing deworming treatment, sanitation and hygiene education, and innovative programming that will also embed treatment and prevention strategies into local health systems.

The END Fund and our partners have an opportunity to relieve the burden of preventable, treatable diseases, and generate significant and sustained improvements to the mental and physical health of communities. By providing initial funding for the Deworming Innovation Fund, the Audacious Project donors have helped to catalyze additional commitments to allow the END Fund and our partners to carry out this vision to end neglected diseases.

COUNTRY PORTFOLIO 2019

Country	Implementing Partners	Diseases	Beneficiaries	Treatments Distributed	Surgeries Provided	Health Workers Trained	Value of Treatments	Disbursements Granted
Afghanistan	World Food Programme		7,481,904	7,481,904	N/A	452	\$149,638.08	\$135,862
Angola	The MENTOR Initiative	   	2,525,399	4,272,102	N/A	6,845	\$4,451,370.41	\$1,781,812
Burundi	CBM		179,073	179,073	0	176	\$4,064,957.10	\$0
CAR	CBM Organisation pour la Prévention de la Cécité	    	2,675,999	5,430,042	0	12,220	\$41,599,223.18	\$346,686
Chad	Caritas		0	0	N/A	12	N/A	\$125,113
Côte d'Ivoire	Sightsavers	  	3,634,982	8,136,761	0	9,513	\$27,509,026.48	\$520,026
DRC	CBM United Front Against River Blindness	    	21,925,525	32,708,350	0	157,502	\$88,035,390.73	\$2,935,851
Eritrea	The Fred Hollows Foundation		0	0	1,092	214	N/A	\$607,442
Ethiopia	AMREF Health Africa The Carter Center Ethiopia Federal Ministry of Health Fred Hollows Foundation Orbis International	    	26,525,075	59,744,153	13,976	419,910	\$43,987,701.95	\$7,717,082
Guyana	Pan American Health Organization		510,317	510,317	0	1,609	\$2,176,502.01	\$500,000
India	Evidence Action		22,522,606	22,522,606	N/A	161,771	\$450,452.12	\$198,340
Kenya	Evidence Action	  	10,410,449	10,889,459	97	36,319	\$1,904,946.46	\$1,529,728
Mali	Helen Keller International Sightsavers	 	4,466,323	4,466,323	438	9,604	\$18,758,556.60	\$454,174
Madagascar	SCI Foundation	 	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	\$1,007,997
Mauritania	Organisation pour la Prévention de la Cécité		0	0	0	8	N/A	\$158,259
Niger	Helen Keller International		0	0	N/A	3	N/A	\$321,960
Nigeria	Amen Health and Empowerment Foundation CBM Helen Keller International Mission to Save the Helpless	   	15,662,372	35,193,079	307	72,725	\$86,334,662.86	\$1,997,042
Rwanda	Rwanda Biomedical Center	 	0	0	N/A	0	N/A	\$430,623
Senegal	FHI 360 Le Ministère de la Santé et de l'Action Sociale du Senegal Research Triangle Institute dba RTI International	   	1,054,466	1,640,816	0	3,336	\$5,205,269.89	\$518,169
Somalia	World Health Organization	 	0	0	N/A	0	0	\$0
South Sudan	CBM	 	1,487,908	2,905,506	0	12,240	\$12,231,477.16	\$585,579
Sudan	Republic of Sudan Federal Ministry of Health	 	28,574	28,574	0	781	\$120,010.80	\$34,544
Tanzania	Kilimanjaro Centre for Community Ophthalmology (KCCO) Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children UNC School of Medicine	 	0	0	1,143	158	N/A	\$256,361
Yemen	Expanded Special Project for Elimination of Neglected Tropical Diseases (ESPEN)		474,027	474,027	0	2,028	\$1,990,913.40	\$989,131
Zimbabwe	Ministry of Health and Childcare of Zimbabwe	 	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	\$875,850
Multi-Country (RLMF support)		 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$233,705
TOTAL			121,564,999	196,583,092	17,053	907,426	\$338,970,099.23	\$24,261,333

 Intestinal Worms

 Schistosomiasis

 Lymphatic Filariasis

 River Blindness

 Trachoma

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2019

Consolidated Statement of Activities

SUPPORT AND REVENUE	US	UK	Total
Contributions	\$45,068,228	\$1,577,600	\$46,645,828
Investment Income	\$33,859	-	\$33,859
Total Support and Revenue	\$45,102,087	\$1,577,600	\$46,679,687
EXPENSES	US	UK	Total
Program Services	\$27,772,975	\$1,435,500	\$29,208,475
Management and General	\$1,876,711	\$71,364	\$1,948,075
Fundraising	\$1,485,255	\$23	\$1,485,278
Total Expenses	\$31,134,941	\$1,506,887	\$32,641,828
Changes in Net Assets	\$13,967,146	\$70,713	\$14,037,859

Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of December 31, 2019

ASSETS	US	UK	Total
Cash	\$4,084,709	\$1,515,500	\$5,600,209
Restricted Cash	\$31,680,059	-	\$31,680,059
Pledges Receivable, Current Portion	\$6,176,997	\$150,000	\$6,326,997
Accounts Receivable	\$1,194,633	-	\$1,194,633
Prepaid Expenses	\$119,855	\$2,245	\$122,100
Total Current Assets	\$43,256,253	\$1,667,745	\$44,923,998
Fixed Assets	\$177,815	-	\$177,815
Pledges Receivable, Net of Current Portion	\$1,980,038	-	\$1,980,038
Total Assets	\$45,414,106	\$1,667,745	\$47,081,851
LIABILITIES	US	UK	Total
Accounts Payable	\$83,968	\$1,215,622	\$1,299,590
Deferred Rent	\$129,070	-	\$129,070
Total Liabilities	\$213,038	\$1,215,622	\$1,428,660
NET ASSETS	US	UK	Total
Net Assets: Without Donor Restrictions	\$3,944,782	\$185,120	\$4,129,902
Net Assets: With Donor Restrictions	\$41,256,286	\$267,003	\$41,523,289
Total Net Assets	\$45,201,068	\$452,123	\$45,653,191
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$45,414,106	\$1,667,745	\$47,081,851

Note:

The END Fund is a 501(c)(3), tax-exempt charitable organization registered in the United States (EIN 27-3941186). The END Fund is also a company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales (company number 6350698) and a registered charity (number 1122574).

For audited financial statements please visit end.org/financials



ANCHOR INVESTORS* 2019

We remain grateful for the confidence and trust placed in us, with over 2,000 donors contributing to the END Fund throughout 2019. Donations came from around the world including Nigeria, Zimbabwe, Indonesia, Brazil, Hong Kong, Turkey, Portugal, Japan, Israel, and the United Arab Emirates to name a few, which shows the increase of awareness about the END Fund's work, and the work of our partners, to tackle NTDs around the world. We value the support of our donors and anchor investors who provided support with multi-year gifts, which are critical for the sustainability of the END Fund's long-term projects.

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