



Fact Sheet

At A Glance

CURRENT REACH

Populations in 157 countries

FY 2017 REVENUE

\$2.6 billion (including in-kind donations of medicines)

PROGRAMS

Center for Vaccine Equity

Children Without Worms

International Trachoma Initiative

Global Partnerships for Zero Leprosy

Mectizan Donation Program

MedSurplus Alliance

Neglected Tropical Diseases Support Center

Public Health Informatics Institute

TEPHINET

MAJOR FUNDERS

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

GlaxoSmithKline

Johnson & Johnson

Merck

Pfizer

U.S. Agency for International Development

World Health Organization

STAFF SIZE

135

OFFICE LOCATIONS

Decatur, GA (headquarters)

Guatemala City, Guatemala

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

The Task Force for Global Health is a nongovernmental organization that solves large-scale health problems affecting vulnerable populations around the world. Our programs focus on controlling and eliminating debilitating diseases and building sustainable health systems that protect and promote health.

We partner with ministries of health, the World Health Organization, U.S. government agencies, and other organizations to control and eliminate neglected tropical diseases that burden people in 40 developing countries. We also are helping eradicate polio and strengthen global preparedness for influenza pandemics.

In addition to disease control and elimination, we assist countries in building their health systems. We support training programs for frontline health workers in how to detect and respond to disease outbreaks and help countries use information to improve health outcomes.

Partnerships Are Essential to Solving Global Health Problems

We use a powerful collaborative model to mobilize resources and expertise, identify synergies, and build the consensus necessary to address large-scale health issues. We currently serve as the secretariat or hub for eight major global health coalitions. As a neutral convener, we promote high levels of collaborative action among our coalition partners. Our pharmaceutical partners donate significant quantities of vaccines, antibiotic and antiparasitic medicines valued at billions of dollars annually. As an Emory University affiliate, we also benefit from the close association with a top-tier research institution.

Recipient of the 2016 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize

In 2016, we received the prestigious Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize in recognition of our extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering. This \$2-million award was presented after an extensive evaluation of our record of impact, scientific excellence, innovation, and fiscal stewardship. Only one recipient is named each year.

Our Future

We have experienced strong and growing demand for our services in recent years. In 2018, we launched a new partnership to eliminate leprosy and are exploring a program in viral hepatitis elimination. Bringing home our global health expertise, we also are planning a new health improvement initiative in DeKalb County, GA, focused on addressing social determinants of health that contribute to poor health outcomes.

Why Are We Called The Task Force for Global Health?

The Task Force was founded as a temporary organization to work on a specific global health problem—low childhood vaccination rates in developing countries. Our founder Bill Foege, who was the architect of smallpox eradication, believed we should continue to work only for as long as our services are needed. But we have endured because of demand for our collaborative and scientific expertise in solving large-scale health problems.