



PIH Canada Annual Report 2017

To Deliver a Simple Solution

One of the initiatives I'm most proud of over the past year is PIH Canada's contribution to strengthening the fight against under-five malnutrition in Haiti's St-Marc region. It is estimated that 6,000 Haitian children under the age of five die every year from malnutrition-related causes — a problem that in and of itself has a simple solution: more food. And yet, we allow these deaths to happen simply because children and their families may live in rural, hard-to-reach areas where poverty is widespread, and where the lack of clean water and transportation options compound daily challenges.

Too often, these scenarios lead to decisions (made in faraway places) that say treatment for some isn't worth the effort, or that resources can be better spent elsewhere.

But not this time. We are so grateful to three of PIH Canada's newest partners – Canadian Foodgrains Bank, Presbyterian World Service and Development, and UNIFOR Social Justice Fund – who, along with our core supporters, understand the only just option is a redoubling of our efforts.

So PIH Canada and a team of cross-site colleagues in Boston and in Haiti – pediatricians and other clinicians, monitoring and evaluation experts, community and facility-based leaders – got to work. Their technical expertise and PIH's three decades of community-based experience in Haiti helped the project come together. It was proof again that wherever we work, the

knowledge of local organizations with local staff and leadership can't be replaced.

The second thing that brings it all together, as always, is you. You are the link that believes in the power of local ownership and the importance of local capacity building, which is what true sustainability is all about. You will make it possible for more than 4,000 children to be treated through this project in coming years, and ensure that malnourished children receive compassionate care and therapeutic food instead of stunted growth or a death sentence. It's one small slice of what PIH Canada is doing, but its impact has no bounds.

Our deepest appreciation goes out to Lucie Edwards for her dedicated service as Chair of the PIH Canada board since 2015. While Lucie is stepping down as Chair this year, we are heartened she will be staying on our board to help guide us forward. We're equally pleased to welcome Rocco Fazzolari as our new Chair.



Mark Brender
National Director, Partners In Health Canada

Thank you to our supporters

Partners In Health Canada relies on the generous support of Canadians from across the country. We thank all our donors for their solidarity and commitment to global health equity and social justice. Gifts of \$1,500 and above are listed.

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Bending the Arc

In January 2017, Sundance Film Festival was the stage for the world premiere of *Bending the Arc*. The feature-length documentary from filmmakers Kief Davidson and Pedro Kos, and written by Cori Shepherd Stern, chronicles PIH from its origins in Haiti to its enlistment in the West African fight against Ebola. The *Hollywood Reporter* was quick to credit the creative team with a "glorious and uplifting film" that's "too good not to be true," and other reviews since the festival premiere have been overwhelmingly positive. See www.bendingthearcfilm.com for more.



Partners In Health co-founders Jim Kim, Ophelia Dahl and Paul Farmer circa 1987.

The film had its Canadian premiere in October in front of a packed house at the Hot Docs Ted Rogers Cinema in Toronto. Interested in seeing the film or hosting a screening in your community? Contact Ashley Mogg at amogg@pih.org to find out more.



The Students for Partners In Health Canada Network turns five this year! Represented by nine campuses across the country, the schools meet every year to re-up their commitment to the fight for global health equity. Welcome to our newest chapter from the University of British Columbia! *Photo by Mark Brender / Partners In Health*

Front cover: Kendy Michel, 25 months, admitted on July 11, 2016, feeds himself Nourimanba, after being seen at the malnutrition clinic in Boucan Carre, Haiti. He was with his mother, Claudia Louis. *Photo by Cecille Joan Avila / Partners In Health*

PIH Canada: Our Work



First, second, and third year emergency medicine residents and mentors at University Hospital in Mirebalais. Haiti's first emergency medicine doctors graduated in 2017 and are already sharing their knowledge with practitioners across the country. *Photo by Valery Pierre Louis / Partners In Health*

Partners In Health Canada carries out its activities with PIH sister organizations all over the world. With your support, PIH Canada delivered more than \$1.5-million in direct programming in fiscal 2017.

Health System Strengthening

Investing in health systems means ensuring universal and equitable access to all people for medical services. 2017 has been an important year for health system strengthening and the medical community of Haiti. Through our support to Hôpital Saint-Nicholas in Haiti, we've increased access to pediatric services to work toward providing a fully equipped pediatrics department. And at University Hospital of Mirebalais, the very first class of Emergency Medicine physicians—funded entirely by PIH Canada with the generous support of the Slight Family Foundation—graduated in September. Both activities speak to what can be accomplished with the proper investments, support, and the will to ensure that everyone who needs access to health care can receive it.

Gender-transformative work

Along with investments in essential health services, PIH Canada worked to ensure that important and catalytic investments for women and girls' health are in the forefront of our approach. Over the past year alone, we've worked with over six hundred women to support them through the trauma of sexual assault and other forms of gender-based violence – not only in relation to their medical needs but also to provide access to appropriate legal recourse and psychosocial support, in addition to offering education to communities to help them prevent violence in the first place.

Malnutrition

In Haiti, over one-third of women and children are considered anemic, which means that they are not getting the nutrition they need. And what's the treatment for malnutrition? It's not a trick question: provide people with food. We support a project in Haiti that is focused on feeding and treating the most vulnerable children by providing them with nutritious food, social supports, and proper follow up to make sure that they stay healthy in the long term.

A Note From a Young Girl in Haiti

In partnership with our Haitian sister organization Zanmi Lasante, Partners In Health Canada is in the third year of our gender-based violence (GBV) treatment and prevention program in Haiti. Earlier this year, we received a letter from a young sexual assault survivor who received treatment and support from Zanmi Lasante staff in the aftermath of an attack. She talked about the impact of the care she received on her health and well-being. The letter, translated from Creole and edited for clarity, contains an important message about the need for medical and psychosocial support for victims of sexual violence:

Se pa fasil pou pale de sa ki fèse w nan la vi men
m ap esaje konnen m.
Mwen rele pierre selinda mwen genyen 15 ans.
Sa fi lontan mwen te toujou nan kont ak manman m
ki toujou panse mwen pa respekte lod li nan kay la.
Manman m pa janm byen ak mwen. Nou toujou ap disibite
jis ka ke li rive mete m deyò.
Sa pa fasil pou mwen manman sa yo. Zanmi manman
ki te konnen sa ki pase a te konnen sipate m ke m te rele a.
Se konsa gen youn man yo ki se youn gason pandan li fap baron
yon ti ~~bit~~ lajan pou mwen manje li te envite m lakay li pou al
chite kab la. E se konsa li te kenbe m et li vjole m.
M te santi la via pa gen dans pou mwen e chak fwa m t ap panse
a sa m te pe pou let moun te kontinje vjole m.
Sa te fin te pisan desojen pou teuren lakay manman malgre m
konnen sa pa fasil pou mwen. Sa ki pi tris la mwen te tonbe
ansent apre sa ke te rive m nan. M te rive nan youn manman ke
m t ap mande tel mwen kisa la vi m ap teuren apre m fin fi bebe
sa.
Se konsa mwen ale lopital et mwen jwenn youn madame ki trape
pou zanmi lasante et ki dim fap ede m. Li te paron mwen se tout
ki pat dako. aret sipo Carmel ak anpil let moun nan lopital la
m te rive konpran ke m gen estriwa toujou m ka toujou ale labat
apre m finje timoun nan et fap toujou la pou ede m.

Mwen te ve anpil moun tankou enfimye, daktè, sikolog ki te
ede m konpran bagay yo pi byen. Je mwen te ansanm
ak yo mwen te toujou santi m byen. Men chak fwa mwen
sa teuren lakay mwen m pat byen. Men konn sa mwen
santi m gen fos pou m kontinje viv et m ap di nou meri
pou sipo nou ban mwen pandan tout manman
difisil yo.
tout jen parey mwen yo dwen konnen men m jan ak
mwen yo tout sa pou yo fi si youn moun vjole yo.
konnya mwen se youn nan moun nan zon bo lakay
mwen ki ap bay let timoun parey mwen konsey et ki
ap di yo sa pou yo fi si youn moun vjole yo.
Misi
de te pinn Selinda

It's not very easy to tell you of all the things that have hurt me in life, but in any case I will try. My name is Esther and I am fifteen years old. My mom has been upset with me for a long time because she thinks I don't respect her household wishes. We fought until she threw me out of the house.

My mother's friends who knew what happened supported me where I lived during my time out of the house. One of those people was a boy who gave me money sometimes to cook. One day he invited me to his house to get the money and then raped me. I was very sad and I believed my life no longer had meaning. Every time I thought of what happened to me, I became very scared of being raped by other people.

But it was then that I met a lady at the hospital that worked for Zanmi Lasante and who gave me some help. She took me to the lab to do some tests. My pregnancy test was positive and made the decision to have an abortion but my family forbade me from having one.

With the support of Marie Carmelle and some of the other hospital staff, I began to realize that there was still hope. And I would be able to continue to go to school after giving birth. I always have always benefitted from her help.

I met a lot of health professionals, doctors, nurses, psychologists who helped me to understand what happened to me. I felt much better every time they were with me. All young people like me should know what to do in case they are raped. **I am now a young girl in my community who helps other young girls and support in knowing what to do if they are raped too.**

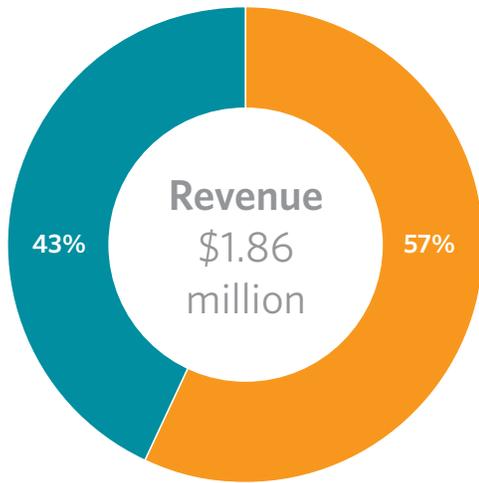
Thank you,
Esther Pierre*

*The girl's name has been changed to protect her identity.

To help ensure that victims of gender-based violence in Haiti continue to receive holistic, high-quality medical and psychosocial support, [please consider making a donation at pihcanada.org](https://pihcanada.org).

Fiscal Year 2017 Summary

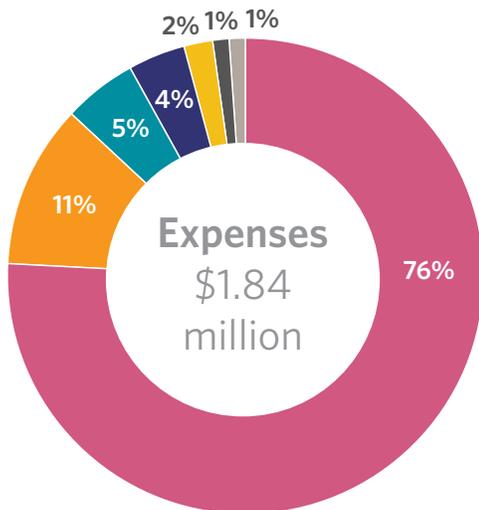
The information below covers Partners In Health Canada's 2017 fiscal year (July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017). To view our fiscal 2017 audited financial statements, visit pihcanada.org/our-story/about-pih-canada.



Revenue by source

- Individuals and Family Foundations (57%)
- Foundations and Corporations (43%)

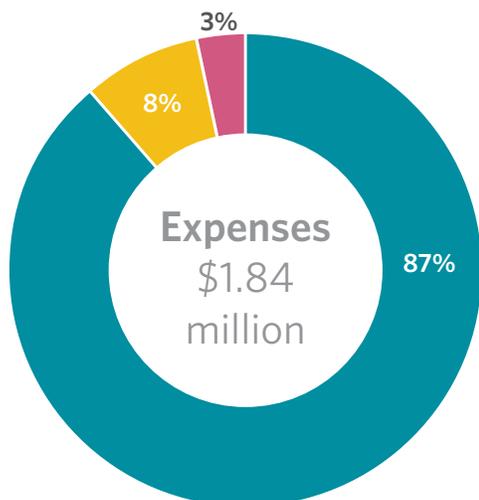
In fiscal year 2017, PIH Canada received \$1.86 million in revenue. Of this, \$1.06 million came from individuals and family foundations; \$791,000 from foundations and corporations; and just under \$6,000 from special events. The total revenue represents a 34% increase from fiscal 2016 (\$1.38 million).



Expenses by program and allocation of expenses

- Haiti (76%)
- Development and Administration (11%)
- Multisite Clinical Program Support (5%)
- Rwanda (4%)
- Public Education (2%)
- Mexico (1%)
- Malawi (1%)

PIH Canada expenses of \$1.84 million in fiscal 2017 represent a more than \$600,000 increase over the previous year. Nearly all of the increase was related to increased direct programmatic support to field sites, totalling \$1.5 million compared to \$932,000 in fiscal 2016. PIH Canada's work was mainly focussed in Haiti, with projects also in Rwanda, Mexico and Malawi.



Program services made up 89 percent of total expenses. Development and administration combined for 11 percent. Included in program services are direct financial support of clinical and related activities at project sites; PIH Canada program support services; and public education related to the Students for PIH Canada national student network.

- Program Services (87%)
- Development (8%)
- Administration (3%)

Our Mission

Our mission is to provide a preferential option for the poor in health care. By establishing long-term relationships with sister organizations based in settings of poverty, Partners In Health strives to achieve two overarching goals: to bring the benefits of modern medical science to those most in need of them and to serve as an antidote to despair. We draw on the resources of the world's leading medical and academic institutions and on the lived experience of the world's poorest and sickest communities.

At its root, our mission is both medical and moral. It is based on solidarity, rather than charity alone. When our patients are ill and have no access to care, our team of health professionals, scholars, and activists will do whatever it takes to make them well — just as we would do if a member of our own families or we ourselves were ill.

You Can Help

Eliminate Preventable

Deaths by fighting for a culture in which 21st century people are no longer condemned by 18th century diseases—or standards of care—simply because they were born into poverty.

Break the Cycle of Poverty

that ensures the poor get sick and the sick stay poor—from one generation to the next—by co-investing in complementary infrastructure and relief programs alongside best-in-class health care.

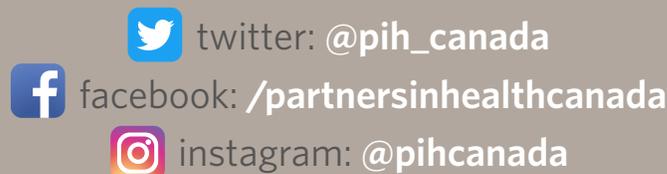
Change the Face of Global

Health by showing how comprehensive, integrated health care systems are not just possible but practical in settings of poverty, and essential to any humane reckoning of our shared prosperity.

Save Lives Today

by supporting Partners In Health Canada with your voice, your actions, your gift—your own relentless commitment to freeing people from pain in the poorest places on Earth.

Stay Connected



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