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Featured program for November 2015

Dining for Women

Changing the world one dinner at a time
Hope Through Health believes that everyone deserves access to high quality healthcare, regardless of the latitude and longitude of their birthplace. The organization delivers effective, efficient, community-based healthcare in neglected settings like Togo, West Africa.
Where in the world?

The project is located in the Kozah District of northern Togo.
What are we supporting?

The DFW grant of $50,000 will be used to empower 25 female Community Health Workers (CHWs) to provide maternal and child healthcare to 3,500 pregnant women and children under age 5.

The goal of the project is to reduce maternal and child morbidity and mortality. This project has three objectives:

• Increasing **access** to care, by bringing care into the home
• Improving the **timeliness** of care, by active CHW case finding, immediate provision of basic care and creating a rapid referral network for care requiring clinic-based services
• Ensuring the **quality** of care, by effectively training, equipping and supervising CHWs and public health center support staff.
Togo suffers some of the worst health indicators in Sub-Saharan Africa. The under-five mortality rate is 96 per 1,000 and the infant mortality rate is 62 per 1,000. The maternal mortality rate is almost 300 per 100,000.

Community Health Workers receive training on CommCare, a mobile health application that allows them to conduct home visits effectively and efficiently.

Only 60 percent of births that occur in Togo are facility-based. Among children, three preventable diseases – malaria, diarrhea and pneumonia – contribute to 47 percent of under-five mortality, with malaria alone contributing to 26 percent of deaths. Togo has just one physician per 20,000 people.
The Budget

How Dining for Women’s grant of $50,000 will be used

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<th>Summary of costs</th>
<th>DFW Grant</th>
<th>HTH Contribution*</th>
<th>Total Program Costs</th>
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<td>Salaries for Community Health Worker Supervisor and 25 Community Health Workers and benefits to field staff</td>
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* From Segal Family Foundation and a private donor
Hope Through Health (HTH) was created in 2004 by US Peace Corps Volunteers, Kevin Fiori Jr. and Dr. Peter Davenport, in collaboration with a community-based association of people living with HIV/AIDS, called Association Espoir pour Demain (AED Lidaw).

Since then, the organizations have collaborated to build a community-led model that in 2014 provided comprehensive healthcare services to 1,712 adults and 167 children living with HIV/AIDS and employed more than 50 community members across five health center sites in northern Togo. HTH’s model for HIV/AIDS care is more than a medical program – it is a local response to the pandemic initiated, implemented and sustained by HIV-positive individuals living in extreme poverty.
Share Your Thoughts

• How do you think this model of care will increase access to healthcare in this underserved region?

• How do you think the use of CHWs will increase trust in the healthcare system?

• What do you think the long-term impact of this project could be?