



# ANNUAL REPORT FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011



**Sustainable Solutions for Preventing Cervical Cancer in Coffee-Growing Countries** 

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Dear Friends and Supporters,

Every year I seem to say it was our best year yet, but that must be what momentum feels like. 2010-2011 has far exceeded all expectations and, **being our 15th Anniversary Year**, we have much to celebrate.

We are at a new level of impact. We have evolved from a small, direct-service provider to a global player in the fight against cervical cancer prevention. Our focus on training local healthcare workers is having a meaningful and measurable impact on addressing the most pervasive and preventable cancer-killer of women in the developing world. And we could not have achieved all that we have without the **incredible support we enjoy from the coffee industry**. Our flexible funding base has given us a nimbleness to test and modify innovative medical solutions that work in even the most remote, rural communities. Communities like those where coffee is grown.

One of our greatest learnings has been the critical role that community mobilization plays in creating sustainable cervical cancer prevention programs. Community engagement makes it possible for a rural woman coffee farmer to access a simple test that could make the difference between life and death. We've tested the Single Visit Approach to screening and treatment and know it works and saves lives. We know we can train local doctors, nurses, and midwives to provide competent services for their own neighbors going forward — far extending the impact of our work and our donors' dollars. And we believe we leave coffee communities more empowered and more self-reliant than when we first met them.

So it is with great appreciation for all our friends and supporters who have made these successes possible that we share some highlights of the past fiscal year.

- August Burns, Executive Director



In loving memory of John Sellors, Grounds for Health board member 2008-2011

> John Sellors will be remembered for his dedication to the elimination of cervical cancer worldwide. He was renowned as a researcher, epidemiologist and advocate. His leadership, compassion and great sense of humor will be greatly missed by the global cervical cancer prevention community and by all of us at Grounds for Health. We'll miss you, John.

# FY2010/11 – AT A GLANCE



Well-trained and equipped local providers are key to sustainability.

Since 1996, Grounds for Health has partnered with coffee-growing communities to create sustainable programs for the prevention, early detection and same-day treatment of cervical cancer. We train local personnel in the Single Visit Approach, a simple and affordable cervical cancer screening and treatment method. We also work within the global public health community to incorporate community mobilization into guidelines and standards.

# **PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS**

- Completed program in Kigoma, Tanzania with goals reached six months ahead of schedule
- Expanded program in Chiapas, Mexico with three new co-ops joining the collaboration and launching their own campaigns
- Launched new screen-and-treat training program and campaign in San Juan del Rio Coco, Nicaragua
- Established partnerships with Kilicafe and the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation to initiate new program in the Kilimanjaro region of Tanzania

# **ORGANIZATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS**

- Winner Specialty Coffee Association of America 2011 Sustainability Award
- Presenter at the WHO/PAHO Regional Roundtable on Cervical Cancer
- Presenter at Global Health Council Annual Conference
- Received UICC grant to study barriers to sustainability
- Initiated in-country MPH internship program with Boston University School of Public Health
- Participated in the United Nations Summit on Non-Communicable Diseases
- Invited to join World Health Organization's seven-person Technical Advisory Group on Community Mobilization for Cervical Cancer Prevention



More that 14,000 women have already been screened outside of our campaigns by Grounds for Health-trained providers.



# SIGNS OF IMPACT

- Total number of women screened as a result of Grounds for Health programs reaches 32,500
- Total number of health care providers trained in the Single Visit Approach reaches 227
- Total number of community health promoters trained reaches 440
- Kigoma, Tanzania: regional roll-out to 125 local healthcare centers in collaboration with International Center for AIDS Care and Treatment Programs (ICAP)
- Three Grounds for Health trainees chosen as National Trainers of Single Visit Approach in Tanzania
- Long-term impact demonstrated by a revisit to first program site in Oaxaca, Mexico, which is now a state of the art center for providing life-saving care to the greater region

Cervical cancer is the #1 cancer killer of women in developing countries.

# **COFFEE COOPERATIVE PARTNERS**





CECOCAFEN co-op coordinator Yuritt Zeledon (left) with Lucy, friend and colleague who helped with training.

# RESULTS: October 2010 -September 2011

# Training Campaign: April 2011

- 7 Healthcare providers trained in Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (VIA)
- 4 Providers trained in cryotherapy
- 748 Women screened using VIA
- 86 Positive results
- 88% of women received same-day treatment

# **Outside of Campaign**

- 1221 Women screened with VIA
- 75 Positive results
- 31 Received treatment
- 44 Referred for cryo or follow-up
- 59 Community health promoters (CHPs) attended trainings

During each campaign, in the spirit of "teach a man to fish," we recruit 10-20 local doctors and nurses for three days of classroom training followed by four days of intensive clinical practice with a one-on-one mentor to help develop the highest quality skills.

The numbers on this page reflect the clinical results of those campaigns as well as results that the local providers achieve after the Grounds for Health training team goes home.

Mexico Women attending a community talk in rural Chiapas.

# Tanzania

# Training Campaign: February 2011

- 17 Healthcare providers trained in VIA
- 12 Providers trained in cryotherapy
- 458 Women screened with VIA
- 74 Positive results
- 84% Received same-day treatment

# **Outside of Campaign**

- 3 Trainees became national trainers of VIA
- 3565 Women screened with VIA
- 225 Positive results
- 91% Received immediate treatment
- More than 30 CHPs attended trainings

Clinical Officer Joseph nKuyeko demonstrating the 3-headlamp technique. :)

Globally, fewer than 25% of women screened positive for cervical pre-cancer ever receive treatment. In the US, 70% of women get treated.

Across all Grounds for Health campaigns, 87% of women who test positive receive same-day treatment.

# Training Campaigns: November 2010 / May, July, September 2011

- 31 Healthcare providers trained in VIA
- 22 Providers trained in cryotherapy
- 845 Women screened with VIA
- 214 Positive VIA results
- 87% Received same-day treatment

# **Outside of Campaigns**

- 3198 Women screened with VIA
- 614 Positive results
- 64% Received immediate treatment or within 3 months
- 29 Referred for further diagnosis or treatment
- More than 43 CHPs attended trainings

# Nicaragua





In-country doctor Barinia Osejo (left) showing Suyapa Palacios, Ob/Gyn how to prepare the cryo unit.

# ALS (unaudited

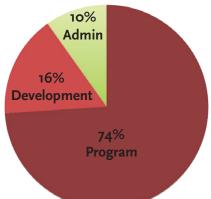
## **INCOME**

| Donations/ Interest<br>Coffee Auction | \$610,842.99<br>\$149,997.47 |
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| Donations:                            | \$760,840.46                 |
| Volunteers In-Kind<br>Other In-Kind   | \$137,982.00<br>\$9,584.26   |
| In-Kind:                              | \$147,566.26                 |
| Total Income:                         | \$908,406.72                 |

# **EXPENSES**

\$490,681.14 Program Development \$107,768.25 Administration \$65,171.13 Total: \$663,620.52

# **EXPENSE BREAKDOWN**



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Elisa Vandervort explaining what to expect



Jane Sakovitz Dale taking a second to thank our supporters.

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Long-time volunteer Sylvia Estrada in action.



Volunteers Susan Hollinger and Ricci Silberman relishing a few moments of rest between long hours of coaching and teaching trainees.

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Locally sourced, inexpensive materials help ensure the sustainability of cervical cancer screening and treatment programs.



Coffee co-ops help arrange transport and mobilize the community to campaigns.



Cervical cancer is nearly 100% preventable when detected early.



and help recruit women to attend campaigns.



Mothers, sisters, daughters ... women are the lifeblood of coffee communities.



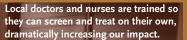
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Volunteers donate their time, expertise and passion. Many come on multiple campaigns.



A dedicted staff of health care, policy and development experts keeps our organization at the forefront of cervical cancer prevention in developing countries.







No one should die from a preventable disease.

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