



### COVID-19 Response

January - July 2020

| Country  | Product Donations | # of treatments  |
|----------|-------------------|--|
| Malawi   | \$335,755.80      | 31,732   |
| Eswatini | \$601,393.74      | 46,261   |
| China    | \$24,416.26       | Personal Protective Equipment  |
| Congo    | \$110,564.78      | 8,505  |
| Colombia | \$69,236.21       | 5,326  |
| Kenya    | \$10,857.00       | 7 health facilities, 146 health workers and 10 community health volunteers |
| Ghana    | \$3,991.00        | 10 health facilities, 9,000 people, 40 community health workers            |

HPIC's COVID-19 response is ongoing. To get involved, visit: [www.hpicanada.ca](http://www.hpicanada.ca)

### Kenya Receives International Aid in a Time of Crisis

When the COVID-19 pandemic struck, the world was not prepared. As a lower-middle income country, Kenya required immediate assistance and HPIC wasted no time in reaching out to its project partners to identify the urgent needs.

HPIC partnered with ADS who quickly developed a plan that would provide front line healthcare workers in the country's busiest clinics with education, training, supplies and the personal protective equipment they needed to safely care for their communities.

With the support of the Ptarmigan Charitable Foundation, HPIC was able to respond immediately and provided training and essential supplies to five health care facilities. As a result, 138 health care workers were trained and equipped to respond to the pandemic, ensuring their safety and the safety of hundreds of patients who accessed medical services.

**“Our staff felt supported and equipped to continue to serve on the front line. In a time of great worry, fear and anxiety, HPIC stepped in to support people in Kenya.”**

**– ADS Leadership Team**





## Meet Margarita Leiva

Margarita is 78 years old and lives in Santa Bárbara, Honduras. Margarita was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s disease and her prescribed treatment included a drug known as Donepezil. This expensive drug, well beyond her families’ means, was provided to her free of charge thanks to a donation from one of HPIC’s pharmaceutical partners.

Margarita’s daughter says:

*"I remember mom being so brilliant and full of life. She was very active when she came to live with us, that's why it was so sad for me to see how her health has deteriorated. She began to forget everything and everyone. I did not want to admit to myself that she could have Alzheimer's. It's now been three years of battling and trying to remain part of my mom's memories. With every passing day, we lose her more and it breaks my heart when she no longer recognizes me as her daughter. Our family has very limited resources, and every day that my mother has her medicine, which we receive at no cost, I am grateful. It's thanks to HPIC and Canadians that our family has extra quality time with my mom."*

Margarita received this donation as part of HPIC’s work with HOPE International and its partner Proyecto Aldea Global (PAG) in Honduras.

## Did you know?

- 1. HPIC launched two significant projects in Kenya this year:** a pilot telemedicine project and a non-communicable diseases project.
- 2. HPIC is now a member of the Manitoba Council for International Cooperation (MCIC)**
- 3. HPIC partnered with Tru Earth:** sent 150,000 laundry strips adding another element to support HPIC’s maternal and child health project in Ghana.
- 4. HPIC launched a new website.** Check it out! Visit: [www.hpicanada.ca](http://www.hpicanada.ca)

## A Note from Marcelle

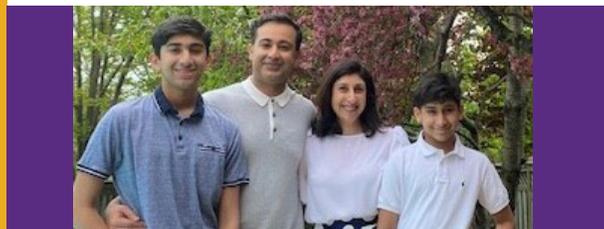
Although our 30th anniversary celebrations are looking a bit different than we planned, we were very thankful to have many of our partners and supporters come together virtually to celebrate our third annual Health & Hope Day on June 18th. It was wonderful to see support across the pharmaceutical and health industries, NGOs and the personal touches from our volunteers and humanitarian partners. Reading the stories and features online truly magnified how we are all connected by health.



**Marcelle McPhaden**  
President & CEO, HPIC

## Community Corner

In addition to the companies and major donors typically featured in our annual report, we want to highlight everyday Canadians that are part of HPIC’s health and hope movement.



### The Bahadurali Meghji family gives back.

*“Our family foundation is truly about being able to contribute in small ways to really improve the quality of life for lots of different people. We have been given this privilege and this opportunity to make a difference that our parents before us never had and it is incumbent as global citizens to ensure we don’t let it pass us by.”* Hamza Bahadurali

It’s never too late to support HPIC’s mission. **A \$1 donation means HPIC can distribute \$10 worth of essential medicine.** To make a life-saving gift, please visit: [www.hpicanada.ca](http://www.hpicanada.ca)

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