

## Compassion in Action, from Crisis to Recovery



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Delivering supplies in the first hours and days after a disaster is critical. Rebuilding lives and communities takes dedication that only comes with a long-term presence.

Episcopal Relief and Development is on the front lines within hours — not days — of a major disaster. And we stay long after the initial emergency has passed to help communities rebuild.

Our development programs train and educate families to help them feed themselves and earn a decent income. We also provide health care so people can live longer and fuller lives.

Please join us in 2004 to help children and families move toward a more secure future.



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## Thank You for Joining Us in Changing Lives

Dear Friends,

"I'm just one person. Can I really make a difference in people's lives?" **The truth is you are making a difference. You are saving and building the lives of children and their families around the world.**

In 2003, you provided critical supplies after emergencies such as the civil war in Liberia, fires in California and the earthquake in Iran.

One of our accomplishments was turning over the daily operation and management of the *Faith, Hope, and Joy* community to the Diocese of Honduras. The community was our first rebuilding program and was built with the help of generous donors and volunteers. The community has a health clinic, school, church, community center and over 200 homes. Today, we are rebuilding communities in El Salvador and Belize after natural disasters.

This past year we learned that **when it comes to saving and building lives, nothing is more powerful than the heart of a compassionate person.**

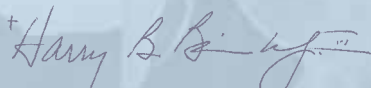
We saw your compassion. You were willing to pray, give, serve and help suffering children and families.

Thank you for all that you are doing! We look forward to working with you in 2004 to save and build lives around the world.

In Christ,



Sandra S. Swan  
President



The Rt. Rev. Harry B. Bainbridge III  
Chair of the Board

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## Saving Lives — Building Lives

...is the focus of our work around the world. We support children and families who are suffering from disaster, disease and poverty.

Our programs save lives today and build hope for the future. Your partnership with us provides emergency assistance and long-term solutions to fight poverty and disease.

**Thank you for helping Episcopal Relief and Development save and build more lives. Our programs:**

- Rebuild communities
- Provide reliable food sources
- Help children grow strong and healthy
- Fight HIV/AIDS and care for its victims

## Saving Lives and Rebuilding Communities

Through Anglican and ecumenical partners, we are on the front lines within hours of a major disaster. **ERD saves lives by providing critical food, water and shelter to suffering people.**

Our rebuilding programs are a bridge to help people climb out of poverty. **We build stronger communities that provide health care, food and housing.**

In Iran, a devastating earthquake destroyed the ancient city of Bam, killing more than 45,000 people. Seventy percent of the city was destroyed, and tens of thousands were left homeless.

ERD responded immediately by providing emergency food, clean water, temporary shelter, medicine and personal care items to suffering children and families.

Currently, we are rebuilding homes and schools, repairing water systems, and providing trauma counseling and health care.

***These little girls can smile today because compassionate people, like you, are helping them rebuild.***



Chris Hertinger/ Church World Service

## Providing Reliable Food Sources

Finding food is a daily struggle for most people in our world. **ERD helps communities grow more food and sell their crops for income.** Our programs in food security fight poverty by giving families:

- enough food to eat year-round,
- better seeds, tools and training to improve their harvest,
- training and assistance to start small businesses,
- education to help people find jobs.

Your partnership helps families and communities break out of poverty. People earn an income so their families can live healthy and productive lives.



In Madigo, one of the poorest communities in Uganda, ERD food security programs help people grow a year-round supply of food to sell and feed their families. For example, ERD provided oxen and plows to cultivate land. Food production will increase by at least 50 percent.

***This young mother proudly displays her passion fruit harvest. With the money she earned, she can buy personal items like aspirin and toothpaste. She also purchased a rain-water collection system for her house. Now her family enjoys improved health through clean water. In her rural village, contaminated water is a major cause of disease and death.***

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## Helping Children Grow Strong and Healthy

Every three seconds a child dies from easily preventable diseases like malaria, cholera or dengue fever. Preventable diseases kill more people every year than natural disasters, particularly in developing countries where medical supplies and care are limited.

Around the world, ERD saves lives by training health care workers and providing life-saving medicines. **We help children and families live longer and healthier lives.**



USAID



Preventable diseases are killing children and vulnerable people in countries like El Salvador. **We train health care workers like Heci Sulemi Garcia (on right)** to provide medicines and teach mothers to care for their sick children.

"I see between 20 and 55 patients a day," Heci says proudly. "I feel good that I am able to save lives."

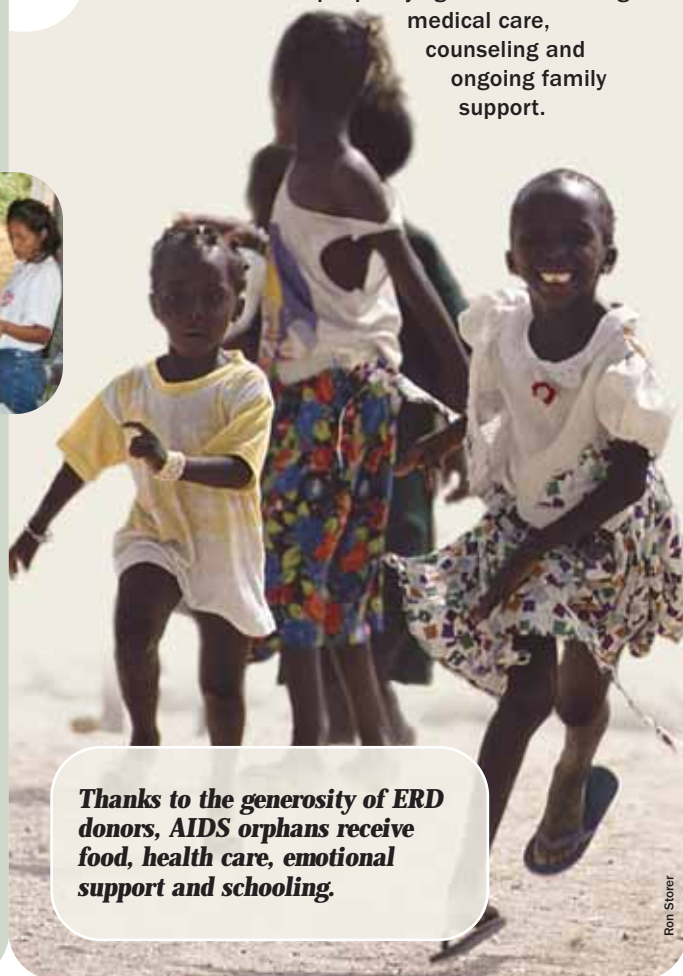
**Our programs keep little girls, like the one above, healthy.** We build clinics, supply critical medicines and train health care workers in communities around the world.

## Fighting HIV/AIDS and Caring for Its Victims

Nearly 30 million people in Africa are infected with HIV/AIDS. AIDS has orphaned more than 13 million children. The disease kills the most vulnerable — crippling communities and nations.

Fighting this pandemic in the hardest-hit countries in Africa, we provide:

- HIV/AIDS education and training to community leaders,
- support for orphans and other vulnerable children affected by AIDS,
- care for people dying from AIDS through medical care, counseling and ongoing family support.



**Thanks to the generosity of ERD donors, AIDS orphans receive food, health care, emotional support and schooling.**

Ron Storer

## Our Mission Is to Save and Build Lives

Episcopal Relief and Development is a compassionate response of the Episcopal Church to human suffering in the world. Hearing God's call to seek and serve Christ in all persons and to respect the dignity of every human being, Episcopal Relief and Development serves to bring together the generosity of Episcopalians and others with the needs of the world.



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Episcopal Relief and Development faithfully administers the funds that are received from the Church and raised from other sources. It provides

relief in times of disaster and promotes sustainable development by identifying and addressing the root causes of suffering.



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Episcopal Relief and Development cherishes its partnerships within the Anglican Communion, with ecumenical bodies and with others who share a common vision for justice and peace among all people.

*"Truly I tell you just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."*

Episcopal Relief and Development's mandate is found in Matthew 25: 37-40 (NRSV).

## Results That You Made Possible in 2003

### Total Revenue

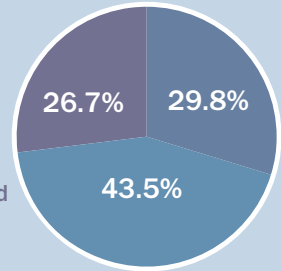
#### Individual Contributions

\$ 2,745,906  
(29.8%)

Institutional  
Contributions  
\$ 4,003,959  
(43.5%)

Investments and  
Other Income  
\$ 2,453,744  
(26.7%)

Total Revenue \$9,203,609



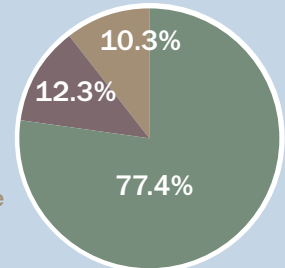
### Total Expenditures

Episcopal Relief  
and Development Programs  
\$6,123,700  
(77.4%)

Fundraising  
\$977,024  
(12.3%)

Administrative  
\$819,079  
(10.3%)

Total Expenditures \$7,919,803



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## Countries with ERD Programs

Argentina ◆ ●	Haiti ◆	Rwanda ■ ▲
Belize ■	Honduras ■ ▲ ●	Solomon Islands ■
Botswana ▲	India ■	South Africa ▲ ◆ ●
Brazil ▲ ◆	Iraq ■	Sri Lanka ■ ● ◆
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Dominican Republic ■ ● ◆	Liberia ■ ◆	Uganda ■ ◆
El Salvador ■ ● ◆	Malawi ◆	United States ■ ● ◆
	Myanmar ■ ◆	Zambia ▲ ◆

■ Emergency Relief/Rebuilding  
▲ HIV/AIDS

● Health Care  
◆ Food Security

## We're Committed to Financial Accountability

At Episcopal Relief and Development, we use your financial gifts in the most effective ways possible to help people suffering around the world. In addition to maintaining the highest internal standards for accountability, our leadership is actively involved in multi-agency efforts to improve practices of reporting and accountability within the relief and development community.

- In the unlikely event that a project becomes overfunded, your financial gift will be applied to a similar project in need.
- We pledge to tell you how all donations are being used.
- Our audited financial statements are available on request. You may obtain a copy of Episcopal Relief and Development's financial statements by
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Episcopal Relief and Development, an independent 501(c)3 organization, is an effective, reliable and vital ministry in communities around the world.

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# Save Lives Today and Build Hope for Tomorrow

Your gift to Episcopal Relief and Development helps children and families climb out of poverty.

Please give today.

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- \$500       \$2,500
- Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thank you for partnering with us to save lives today and build hope for tomorrow.**

**Your contributions will continue to open doors for children and families living in poverty around the world.**

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