



Turning Scars into Stars
Healey International Relief Foundation
Annual Report 2015



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A Message from Robert T. Healey, Jr. President, Healey International Relief Foundation

From our inception in 2001, the Healey International Relief Foundation has been committed to tackling the toughest problems facing the people of Sierra Leone. During my early time with the Foundation, that consisted of dealing with the end of the Civil War and helping to transition the country back to peace and prosperity. I remember thinking several years later, that having been able to combat such a daunting challenge, everything going forward would be easy in comparison. If only we had known what the Ebola epidemic would be like. While the beginning of 2015 was one of the darkest times in the country's history, there were significant improvements by mid-year. During the festive season of December, Sierra Leone and her people had much to celebrate, as the Ebola epidemic receded and came under control.

This triumph, after such an elusive and difficult challenge, was due in large part to community led efforts to implement behavior change strategies that kept the pandemic from throwing the country into utter chaos. With our partners, the Tzu Chi Buddhist Foundation, Brother's Brother Foundation, and MAP International we shipped \$5.8 million in supplies, including personal protective equipment.

On a more personal note, 2015 saw the opening of our Monsignor Daniel Sullivan Health Clinic. Monsignor Sullivan (or Dan, as he liked to be called) was not only the first Executive Director of HealeyIRF, but also a very dear and close personal friend and mentor, who is greatly missed. On a trip I took to Sierra Leone immediately following his death in February, 2013, community leaders who were speaking to us at St. Stephen's Home for Amputees, outside of Freetown, asked me why we had done nothing for their community after Dan and I had made a promise to see to their needs. As you may or may not be aware, the amputee population in Sierra Leone following the Civil War was roughly 27,000, and these people are considered the "unseen" population in the country with little or no programs available to assist them. I was quite taken aback by this, and made a personal promise that the Foundation would see it through, in memory and honor of Dan. I am happy to report that the Monsignor Daniel Sullivan Health Clinic is fully operational, and has had 89 healthy births at the clinic during its first 6-months. Due to the high demand, plans are underway with the community to expand services to the "unseen" population of Sierra Leone so that they have a place to receive the healthcare they so desperately need. The lessons learned from this effort are being put to use to renovate an additional 20 clinics across the country in conjunction with our charity network, that will help to bring proper healthcare to the grossly underserved areas within the country and, over time, help strengthen the entire healthcare system.

In partnership with Caritas-Freetown, HealeyIRF has continued its mission to minister to the large population of children left orphaned by Ebola. Interim Care Centers in Cline Town and Newton offered a safe and nurturing environment for nearly 40 youngsters and we were also able to assist another 300 with education and healthcare support. During the 2015 program assessment, the U.S. HealeyIRF team reported that visiting and talking with these children was the highlight of their trip to Sierra Leone.

As we move forward to 2016, we will continue our core projects to care for vulnerable populations. To ensure sustainability of our charitable programs we are working on establishing a social venture that will produce needed medical products for Sierra Leone and the entire Mano River area. Not only will this help improve the health of the population by increased access to medicines, but it will also create much-needed jobs for the people of Sierra Leone. As I've said so many times, HealeyIRF is about providing a "hand-up not a hand-out" and this effort will help fulfill that vision. This hand up is not a single hand, but one of many hands, and without your helping hands, none of our work would be possible. We are very grateful to have your support. Please know that those in Sierra Leone whose lives are being touched by these programs, say 'tenki' – thank you. Happy 2016, and I look forward to my next update to all of you.

Robert T. Healey, Jr.
President & Co-Founder

HEALEY INTERNATIONAL RELIEF FOUNDATION

ABOUT US

OUR MISSION: TURNING SCARS INTO STARS

Founded in 2001, Healey International Relief Foundation (HealeyIRF) is a 501(c)3 public charity established to improve the quality of life of vulnerable individuals and families in Sierra Leone who have long been affected by war, Ebola and adverse socioeconomic conditions.

Through the delivery of healthcare services, clean water, food, and educational training, HealeyIRF embraces their needs, invests in their future and increases the capacity of their communities to become self-sustaining. HealeyIRF seeks to bring hope and empowerment to those in Sierra Leone who are impoverished, hungry and hurting.



OUR APPROACH:

- LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS
- COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTIONS
- SUSTAINABLE RESULTS

We can easily credit our project successes to effective partnerships. The implementation, development and sustainability are reliant upon the relationships formed with local communities in Sierra Leone and like-minded NGOs. Solid alliances allow us to develop methods of problem solving, which are supported by communities we work in, thus developing a bright future. It's about immersing oneself and understanding the culture you are working with. Our core belief system is providing a "hand-up, not a hand-out" to our project beneficiaries.

SIERRA LEONE – CHARITY HEALTH NETWORK

HEALTH CARE SYSTEM STRENGTHENING EFFORTS BEGIN

CHARITY HEALTH NETWORK

The Ebola crisis laid bare the need to strengthen healthcare systems in Sierra Leone. Not only in government facilities, but also in faith-based clinics and hospitals, which provide nearly 40% of healthcare services in Sierra Leone.

In 2015, during the Ebola epidemic, HealeyIRF opened a new clinic in Newton and continued to move forward on the establishment of the Charity Health Network. Efforts included improvements to our logistics operations, consultations with current and future clinics and hospitals, and community assessments.

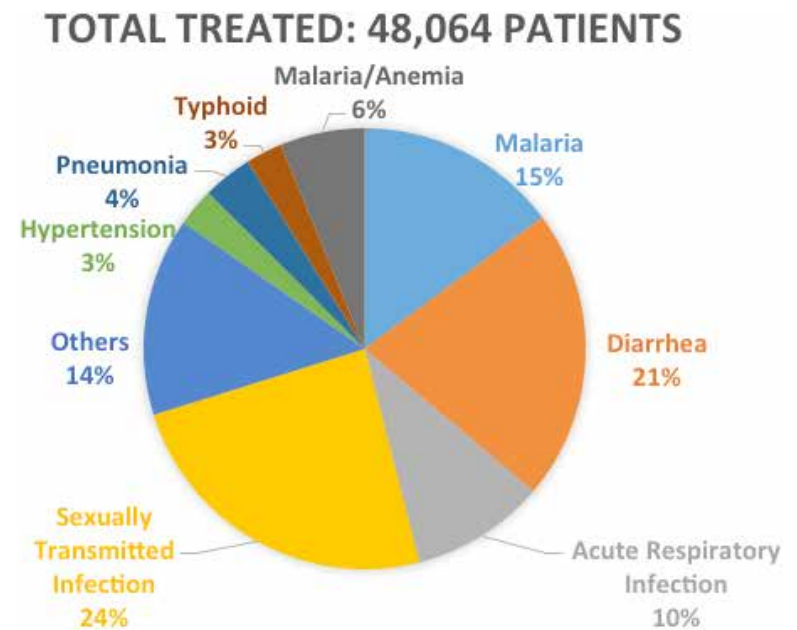
The current network includes ten health care clinics and four hospitals and an additional 20 sites will be added in the future. The Charity Health Network will provide primary healthcare services to thousands of women, children and families in areas of Sierra Leone where there is limited or no available healthcare.

MOBILE CLINIC – REBUILDING TRUST

Rebuilding trust in healthcare services after the Ebola crisis is a key component of our healthcare strengthening efforts. Partnering with Caritas-Freetown, we support a Mobile Health Unit that goes directly into communities to provide psychosocial support, medicines, referrals and community educational programs and training. Targeting 40 vulnerable communities throughout the Western District, the mobile health clinic brings these medical services to the people.

December 2015 marked the inaugural visit of the mobile clinic to Cline Town, one of the poorest communities in Freetown, and nearly 500 people came and received medical treatment.

Implementing the first step in our health data collection program, facilities in the Charity Health Network began compiling information on total patients and diseases treated. Implemented in July 2015, the data below shows a significant number of individuals utilizing the network and critical diseases being treated.



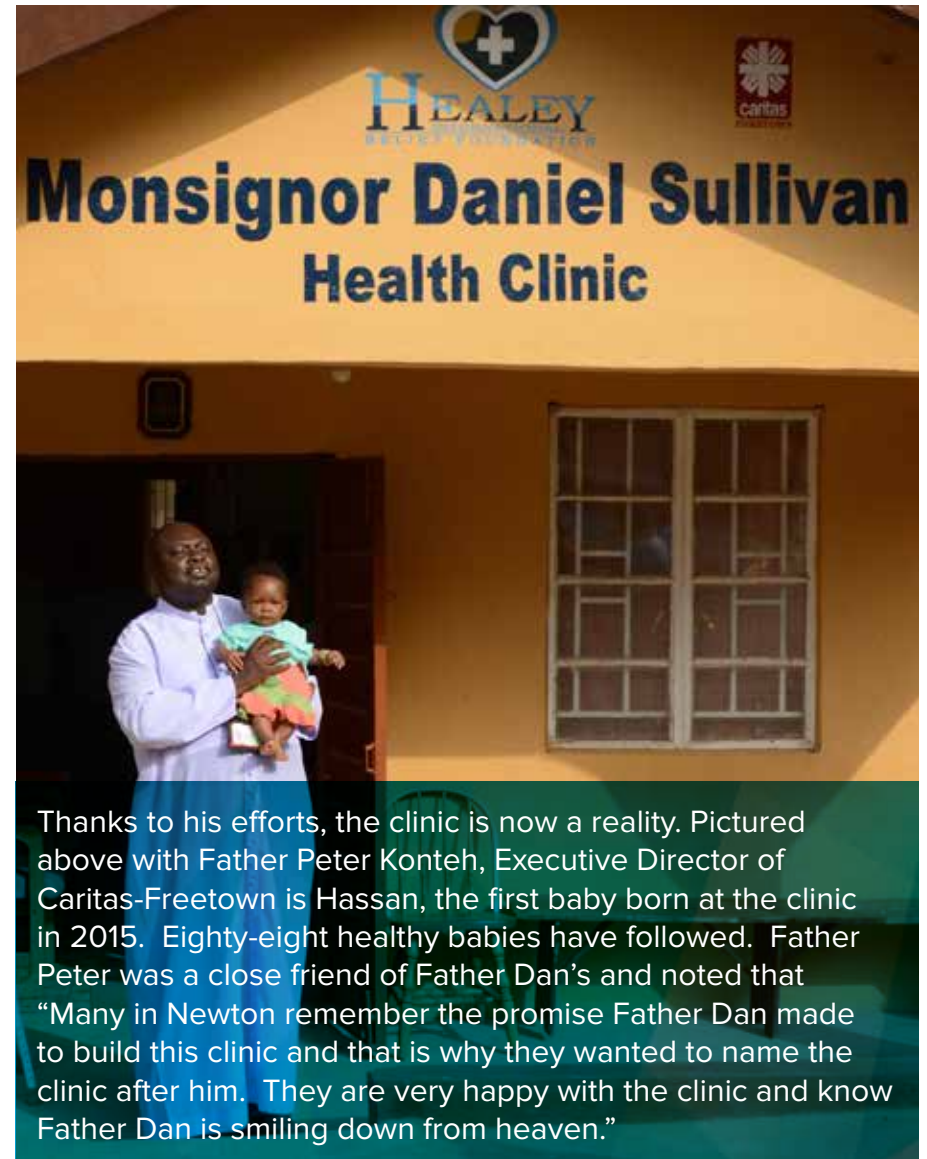
MONSIGNOR DANIEL SULLIVAN HEALTH CLINIC

A PROMISE FULFILLED

One of earliest projects supported by HealeyIRF, was the St. Stephen's Home for Amputees in Newton. Offering a safe haven for those who had suffered during the Sierra Leone civil war, the St. Stephen's Home helps community members learn a trade and become self-sufficient.



As of the result of these efforts, HealeyIRF has maintained a very special relationship with the community of Newton. The community, however, wished for a health clinic and on one of his visits before his death, former HealeyIRF Executive Director, Father Daniel Sullivan, promised the community that he would return to the U.S. and start raising funds for a health clinic.



Thanks to his efforts, the clinic is now a reality. Pictured above with Father Peter Konteh, Executive Director of Caritas-Freetown is Hassan, the first baby born at the clinic in 2015. Eighty-eight healthy babies have followed. Father Peter was a close friend of Father Dan's and noted that "Many in Newton remember the promise Father Dan made to build this clinic and that is why they wanted to name the clinic after him. They are very happy with the clinic and know Father Dan is smiling down from heaven."

H.E.L.P. HEALEY EBOLA LIFESAVER PROJECT

HealeyIRF continued our very successful H.E.L.P. in 2015. Medical equipment and supplies, food relief and personal protection equipment were shipped to Sierra Leone clinics, hospitals, quarantined villages, interim care centers for Ebola orphans, community health groups and Ebola Treatment Centers. In addition, community engagement trainings and social mobilization workshops were held.

H.E.L.P. HIGHLIGHTS: EBOLA AID

17 ocean containers with over \$5.8 million in Ebola Aid Assistance, including:

- 1,500 multi-functioning folding platform beds
- 100 manual hospital beds and mattresses
- 2,700 blankets
- 36,000 pounds of rice



COMMUNITY SENSITIZATION AND WORKSHOPS

219,000 individuals reached in the Western Area through:

- Production of television and radio campaigns
- Ebola informational posters and flyers
- Six training workshops
- 400 washing stations

ORPHAN AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN PROJECTS

HealeyIRF has a long tradition of helping orphans in Sierra Leone. From our support of St. Mary's Home during the war to present day Ebola Orphans, our efforts provide the love and resources needed to turn scars into stars.

The Ebola epidemic has reopened old wounds, creating the second wave of orphans. A staggering 12,000 children have been left orphaned and while many have



Megan Smith, HealeyIRF Program Director, helped distribute toys and games to orphans at River #2 during program assessments in December 2015

extended families that will help with their care, thousands do not, risking exploitation, stigma and malnutrition.

Our efforts in 2015 focused on the Western Area of Sierra Leone where we helped to

provide education, psychosocial counseling and food to nearly 300 orphans. In Cline Town and Newton we are supporting 40 children in Interim Care Centers.

Children also need to remember what it's like to be a child and have fun. HealeyIRF sent shipments of supplies, many donated by our supporters, that included games, toys, clothing, books and sports equipment.



THE YEAR IN REVIEW 2015

HEALEYIRF PROGRAMS THAT HELP TURN SCARS INTO STARS

MEDICAL SUPPLIES & DONATIONS

“Words cannot express how much we appreciate the donations we are receiving from HealeyIRF. As a medical charity institution that provides medical services to many people in need of healthcare services, the amount of money we spend on drugs regularly is extremely large. With the supplies and donations we receive from HealeyIRF we save a lot. In just one year we were able to leverage our expenses from HealeyIRF that amounted to approximately \$50,000 USD.

Thank you to Healey International Relief Foundation and all the benefactors helping us.”

Br. Michael – St. John of God Hospital – Lunsar, Northern Province, Sierra Leone



IMPROVING NUTRITION FOR CHILDREN

Every mother dreams of raising a healthy child, however a country like Sierra Leone makes this very difficult. Children suffer through the many elements of disease, some so easily preventable, like malnutrition and worm infestations. If left untreated, both have a negative impact on a child’s development making them more susceptible to other diseases.

In 2015, with our partner Vitamin Angels we began a pilot nutrition program that provided Vitamin A, multivitamins for pregnant and lactating mothers and deworming pills to vulnerable children in the Western Area.

Mabinty Conteh brought her young daughter, Fatmata, to our clinic in Newton and received albendazole pills for Fatmata’s worm infestation. Causing diarrhea, fatigue and weight loss, treatment is necessary to kill the parasites.

After taking her albendazole pills Mabinty reports that her daughter is “growing well and happy.” She also notes that other children in Newton received treatment and that, “the children are happier and healthier since receiving the deworming tabs as many were crying of stomachache but now it is not so.”

ORPHAN & VULNERABLE CHILDREN PROGRAMS

Thousands of children were left orphaned in Sierra Leone by the Ebola crisis. Providing education, psychosocial counseling, food and shelter to these vulnerable children is a priority for HealeyIRF.

Through our support of two Interim Care Centers – Cline Town and Newton -- we are able to help young girls like, Aminata, who lost both her parents to Ebola. She struggles with post-traumatic stress but is improving.

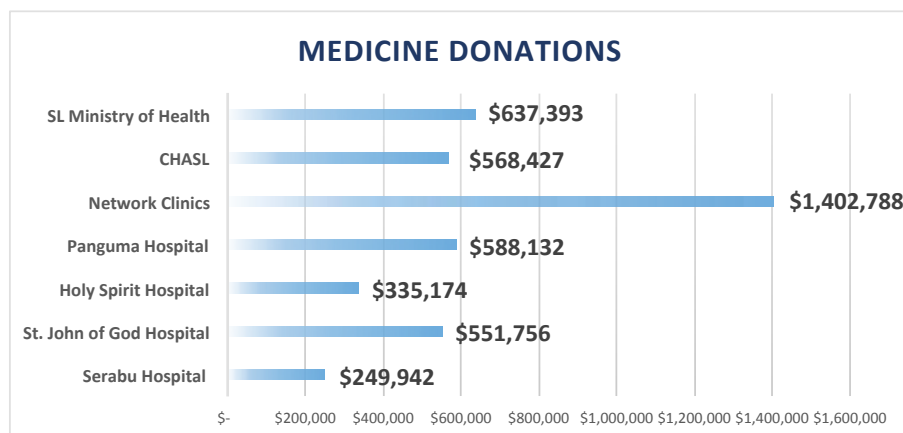
“I saw my parents be put in the ground and that makes me sad. But I have a new family of brothers and sisters that I like to play with and I get to go to school. I like school.”



SUMMARY OF DONATIONS & ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

DONATIONS DISTRIBUTED BY HEALEYIRF IN SIERRA LEONE 2015

In 2015 HealeyIRF shipped approximately \$4.2 million worth of medical supplies to hospitals and clinics in its network and almost \$220,000 in food, clothing and other items. In addition, HealeyIRF provided \$1.4 million in supplies to Government Health Facilities and the Christian Health Association of Sierra Leone (CHASL).



ORGANIZATIONAL PROFILE

HealeyIRF Staff, Freetown, Sierra Leone

- Reverend Father Peter Konteh, Chairman of Sierra Leone Advisory Board
- Ishmeal Alfred Charles, In-Country Manager
- Karim Makaya Moiqua, Warehouse Coordinator
- Theresa Kamara, Finance Officer (Part Time)
- Michael Samai, Transportation (Part Time)

HealeyIRF Board Members

- Robert T. Healey, Jr., President & Chairman
- Robert T. Healey, Sr.
- Joan Lewis
- Riley Scott
- Leigh Healey Hughes
- Patrick Lukulay, PhD
- Mary Alexis Iaccarino, MD

HealeyIRF Staff, Lumberton, NJ, USA

- Robert T. Healey, Jr., President & Chairman
- Robert T. Healey, Sr., Founder
- Benjamin Parra, Executive Director
- Megan M. Smith, Program Manager
- Alice Fitzpatrick, Administrator
- Julie Grasso, Executive Assistant
- Zoia G. Pavlovskaja, Public Relations Coordinator
- Vicki Middleton, Government Relations Officer
- Ron Asper, Intern

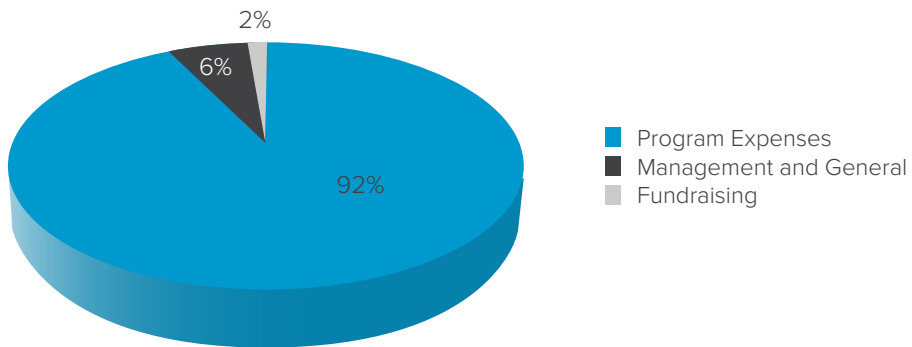


FINANCIAL STATEMENT

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

December 31, 2015 and 2014

	2015	2014
ASSETS		
Cash and equivalents	\$ 458,386	\$ 331,176
Receivables and prepaid expenses	25,944	28,825
Investments	252,641	1,500,938
Inventories	-	138,343
Property and equipment, net	22,229	31,459
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 759,200	\$ 2,030,741
LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$14,133	\$38,316
	1,952	1,649
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 16,085	\$ 39,965
NET ASSETS		
Unrestricted	743,115	1,990,776
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 759,200	\$ 2,030,741



STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

	2015	2014
REVENUE AND GAINS		
Contributions	\$ 711,977	\$ 718,196
In-kind contributions	5,723,659	558,389
Reimbursed expenses	33,925	29,855
Investment income, net of expenses	90,445	117,956
Realized gains (losses) on investments	(871,623)	49,903
Net assets released from restriction		
TOTAL REVENUE AND GAINS	5,688,383	1,474,299
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Program Expenses	6,211,645	951,687
Management and general	408,315	78,391
Fundraising	156,577	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	6,776,537	1,030,078
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS	(1,088,154)	444,221
Unrealized gains (losses)	(159,507)	(370,357)
TOTAL OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSE	(159,507)	(370,357)
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	(1,247,661)	73,864
NET ASSETS		
Beginning of Year	1,990,776	1,916,912
End of Year	\$ 743,115	\$ 1,990,776

We couldn't have done our work without the help of our partners. Thank you, we look forward to future projects together!



DID YOU KNOW?

- The population of Sierra Leone is 7,076,641 with 60% living below the poverty line.
- There are 4 doctors available per 100,000 people. In the U.S. there are 245 doctors per 100,000 people.
- Life expectancy at birth in Sierra Leone is 50 years.
- Communicable diseases make up 70% of the burden of disease in Sierra Leone, with non-communicable diseases making up 22% and injuries 12%.
- Government expenditures on health as a percentage of total government expenditure is 11%, below the 15% target set out in the Abuja Declaration.

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