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The year 2014-2015 was an eventful year for World Neighbors (WN). It was my first full year at the helm and I had the opportunity to travel to 10 of the 13 countries where we work. Like everyone who has traveled on one of our “Journeys” to see WN communities in action, I have been inspired, awed and deeply impressed by the work going on in the field.

Only one month after I led a Journey of women to visit our work in Nepal, two devastating earthquakes hit Nepal, killing thousands and shattering the serenity of this beautiful, mountainous South Asian country. Tragically, many of the villages we visited were destroyed by the earthquakes. Thanks to the response from many of you, our devoted donors, we were able to send sorely needed relief funds within a few days of the first earthquake. The WN team joined forces with disaster-relief organizations to bring supplies and help as quickly as possible to the villagers.

Thanks to decades of work in Nepal, (we have been working there since 1973) many of the villages recovered quickly and were able to replant and rebuild with assistance from our team and our partners. Of course, the recovery is still going on as we approach the one-year anniversary on April 25th.

For the last three years, WN has operated under the umbrella of Feed the Children, a partnership that has helped WN rebuild its financial security. In fiscal year 2015, WN leadership decided we were able to begin transitioning to independence. We are incredibly grateful for the support of Feed the Children, but equally excited about the transition and are working toward our goal of full independence by July, 2016.

As I travel to the WN locations in some of the poorest places on earth, I am often reminded of our founder, John L. Peters’ belief in the inherent capacity of every person to improve his or her lot in life, given a chance. Through this year of challenges and triumphs, I’ve been humbled over and over again by your devotion in supporting our efforts, regardless of the circumstances. It reminds me of our late founder’s statement, “… being my brother’s brother carries some inescapable obligations. I’ve got to respect his differences, esteem his dignity and do everything I can to help him help himself. I cannot be a brother and do less.”

With deep gratitude,

Kate Schecter, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
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Where We Work and Overview

- 46 local partner organizations are currently supported. These local organizations, formed and managed by local communities with our help, carry on the work of WN after we transition out of an area.

- 904 villages and communities served by WN programming.

- 95,805 people received training, technical assistance or guidance from WN staff and volunteers.

- 522,834 people benefited from WN programs. This includes program participants as well as their children and other members of their households.

- 8,181 volunteers worldwide. These volunteers act as community mobilizers in their villages – they are trusted members of their communities who operate as change models and innovation leaders.
Dr. Peters meeting with villagers in the Democratic Republic of Congo.
One Man’s Vision

World Neighbors was founded by Dr. John Peters, who, after serving in the Philippines in World War II, was determined to help end the suffering caused by poverty.

On Sunday, April 22, 1951, Dr. Peters gave a guest sermon at St. Luke’s United Methodist Church in Oklahoma City. He spoke of his vision to create programs that would address the root causes of poverty and despair throughout the world. These programs would acknowledge the dignity and self-respect of community members – providing assistance as they themselves both identified their greatest needs and worked to solve them.

Since 1951, through our non-sectarian methodology, WN has worked in 45 countries, benefiting more than 26 million people. At present, our programs benefit close to 523,000 people living in rural, marginalized communities in 13 countries in ecologically fragile areas of Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean. WN programs are currently being delivered with and through the help of local partner organizations and some 8,200 community-based volunteers, involving about 96,000 program participants (the total number of 523,000 served includes family members and individuals directly impacted by community projects).

Thematic Areas

Sustainable Agriculture and Rural Livelihoods (SARL)
- Savings and credit groups
- Farmers’ groups
- Women’s groups
- Sustainable and improved agriculture practices
- Livelihood development and sustainability

Community and Reproductive Health (CRH)
- Nutrition
- Water and sanitation for health (WASH)
- Sanitation
- Clean water

Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM)
- Disaster-risk reduction
- Climate-change adaptation
- Climate-change abatement

Gender Equity
- Cross-cutting in all areas
World Neighbors in
Latin America and the Caribbean

In 2014-2015, WN worked with nearly 10,000 people in the Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC) region, serving 318 communities in four nations: Bolivia, Guatemala, Haiti and Peru.

Nearly 40,000 men, women and children received benefits from WN programming in the LAC region. Programming included training, capacity-building of partner organizations and technical support.

Highlights of accomplishments include:

• In drought-ravaged areas of Guatemala, WN helped 614 families install home gardens that can produce a variety of fresh vegetables, even during periods of food scarcity.
• In Guatemala, 1,130 people in 24 communities have improved living conditions and 500 women are active in savings and credit groups.
• Thanks to a grant from the Starbucks Foundation, WN worked to establish four new partner organizations in Guatemala last year. These community-led organizations serve 37 communities and will sustain the work of WN after we have transitioned out of the area.
• In Bolivia, WN serves seven different communities with 304 households, helping local leaders develop and implement strategies to improve nutrition and sustainable agriculture.
• In Haiti, WN worked with local partners to distribute medicine to treat symptoms of chikungunya fever in 31 communities with a total population of 3,595.
• Three hundred people in Haiti have better access to clean water, thanks to 50 water filters WN helped communities install.
• With a focus on disaster-risk reduction in Haiti, WN helped partners secure and distribute gear and training for 59 local responders from 21 communities in preparation for the storm season.
• Each month, WN visits 200 Peruvian farms to provide technical assistance in the production of organic fertilizers.
Growing cocoa beans in Artibonite, Haiti.

Bolivia
Guatemala
Haiti
Peru

14
Local partner organizations developed or strengthened

7,455
Households reached

318
Communities served

9,992
People participating

1,204
Volunteers

37,990
People benefited
Mother and child in Burkina Faso.
Mother and her daughters in Haiti.
World Neighbors in
South Asia

In 2014-2015, WN worked with 5,619 people in the South Asia region, serving 311 villages and communities in two nations: India and Nepal.

More than 70,000 men, women and children benefitted from WN programming in the South Asia region. Programming included training, capacity-building of partner organizations and technical support.

Highlights of accomplishments include:

• In Nepal, April’s devastating earthquake and equally devastating aftershocks killed thousands. Of the five districts served by WN, three were destroyed by the quakes, wiping out 95% of the homes.
• After the Nepal earthquakes, WN was able to utilize its existing partnerships and resources to help distribute relief in areas that other organizations could not access.
• In Nepal, WN trained 516 people in kitchen gardening to ensure year-round food security. Although many gardens were damaged, families were still better able to survive the winter.
• In India, WN works in the state of Bihar in coordination with an existing non-governmental organization (NGO) called GPSVS and with an NGO we helped establish in the area, called KMM, which recently achieved legal status as an NGO.
• In just one year, rates of childhood intestinal illnesses in our India program decreased from 34% to 22%, resulting in an average healthcare savings equal to $67 per family each year (Bihar’s annual per capita income is equal to $86.84).
• By the end of last year, 15 villages we serve in India were on track to receive the government’s “clean village” award for adopting sanitary practices community-wide.
Last spring, WN was able to mobilize its existing resources to speed earthquake relief efforts to 4,500 households in remote areas of Nepal.

We still don’t know the full impact of the earthquake in Nepal, but we do know the skills and resources that we helped communities develop will allow them to rebuild faster.
World Neighbors in
Africa


Nearly 400,000 men, women and children benefited from WN programming in the Africa region. Programming included training, capacity-building of partner organizations and technical support.

Highlights of accomplishments include:

- Last year, WN established new partnerships with four organizations – one in Kenya, one in Burkina Faso and two in Mali – this will increase the reach of our work to 21 additional communities/villages.
- WN successfully phased out of three program areas in Kenya, Mali and Burkina Faso, as communities transitioned to sustainable self-sufficiency.
- In Kenya, 50 community-health volunteers were trained on how to teach food preparation and nutrition classes in their home communities.
- In Mali, WN was officially admitted to the national network of NGOs, which will support networking, sharing information and avoiding duplication of efforts.
- WN helped sponsor three school-based health camps for more than 400 students and their teachers in Tanzania.
- In Tanzania, WN trained 40 community-health volunteers in providing home-based care, increasing health-care access to hundreds of families.
- In Uganda, 22 community members were trained to teach functional literacy in their villages.
- WN began working in three new parishes (counties) in Uganda last year and increased the number of savings and credit groups from nine to 21.
Threshing sorghum in Kisumu, Kenya.

Burkina Faso
Kenya
Mali
Tanzania
Uganda

14
Local partner organizations developed or strengthened

192
Communities served

4,095
Volunteers

23,655
Households reached

55,075
People participating

392,946
People benefited
Woman farmer in Bihar, India.
A student in Bihar, India.
World Neighbors in
South East Asia

In 2014-2015, WN worked with 6,243 people in South East Asia, serving 83 villages and communities in two nations: Indonesia and Timor-Leste.

More than 20,000 men, women and children benefited from WN programming in the South East Asia region. Programming included training, capacity-building of partner organizations and technical support.

Highlights of accomplishments include:

- In Indonesia, WN trained 200 people on climate change and risk management practices – people who subsequently trained an additional 2,900 in their own communities. Of those who attended, 1,061 have already implemented an action plan that aligns with a community action plan.
- WN signed agreements with the governments of both Indonesia and Timor-Leste last year, ensuring our work is formally approved and certified by these national governments.
- In Indonesia, WN is training rapid response teams in all seven districts where we work, composed of 315 people who represent their communities in developing and implementing disaster-preparedness plans.
- In Timor-Leste, a farmer collective became a government-certified seed producer and can now sell seeds throughout the Oecusse region.
- In Indonesia last year, WN helped form 67 savings and credit groups with 1,088 members across 35 villages. Members have contributed to capital funds valued at $8,000 (the per capita annual income in Indonesia is $3,630).
- Last year in Timor-Leste, a group of 22 farmers borrowed from a local funder to open a rice-import business. They were able to pay off half their debt the first year and will be debt-free by the second year.
Climate change adaptation through the development of local food crops (taro) in East Sumba-East Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia.
# FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

## FOR THE YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2015 AND 2014

### REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT

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### NET ASSETS

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<td><strong>TOTAL NET ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>$7,388,138</td>
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*Please consider World Neighbors in your will and/or estate planning.*

World Neighbors audited financial statements for the years ended June 30, 2015 and 2014 are available at [www wn org](http://www.wn.org) or upon request.