



35  
*years*

**RESULTS**  
the power to end poverty



# 35 *years* of RESULTS

## THANKS TO YOU

*Since 1980, a movement of passionate, committed everyday people have used their voices to influence political decisions that will bring an end to poverty.*

### 1980-1985

**12 people** gather in a living room in Los Angeles to write letters to Congress urging action on global hunger. **RESULTS is born.**

**Fourteen members of Congress** attend three forums on ending hunger organized by RESULTS.

Our advocacy is central to securing **\$60 million** in funding for **oral rehydration therapy**, a simple treatment for children who might otherwise die from diarrhea-induced dehydration.

RESULTS grows to **50 chapters in 33 states.**

RESULTS' **very first newspaper editorial** runs in the *Los Angeles Times*.

Ninety-five volunteers gather in Washington, DC, for the **first annual RESULTS conference.**

Volunteers generate **42 editorials** nationwide to help save the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

## 1986-1990

RESULTS affiliates take shape in **Canada, Australia, and the UK.**

Volunteers organize candlelight vigils to pressure leaders at the UN World Summit for Children to help stop preventable child and maternal deaths, reduce child malnutrition, and provide universal access to primary education. More than **one million people** attend vigils in over **75 countries.**

RESULTS introduces microfinance pioneer **Muhammad Yunus** to Congress and the U.S. media. Our advocacy helps pass the **Self-Sufficiency for the Poor Act**, a \$50 million initiative to provide small loans to the world's poorest families.

## 1991-1995

The World Bank agrees to increase the share of its lending targeted to health, education, and other investments to benefit the very poor after RESULTS gathers support from nearly **1,400 members of Congress and parliamentarians** around the world.

RESULTS launches its campaign focused on ending poverty in America and adds **15 local groups** in the first year.

RESULTS volunteers successfully support Congress to create a special account for **global child survival and health programs**, expanding these lifesaving efforts and protecting them from future budget cuts. The account receives **\$300 million** of initial funding.

## 1996-2000

Our volunteers begin advocating for **tuberculosis funding** to address this major cause and consequence of poverty. At the time, the U.S. is contributing **less than \$1 million** annually to fight TB worldwide.

RESULTS Educational Fund convenes the **first global Microcredit Summit** and then launches a campaign to reach **100 million** of the world's poorest families with small loans and other financial services.

RESULTS volunteers help push Congress to increase funding for Head Start programs by **\$933 million** and Food Stamps (now SNAP) by **\$1.6 billion**.

## 2001–2005

RESULTS is pivotal to expanding the Child Tax Credit to low-income families, lifting **500,000 American children** out of poverty.

Following a major advocacy push, Congress commits **\$550 million** to the **Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria**.

RESULTS helps **protect** critical policies governing **Head Start** so that comprehensive services — from education programs to dental screenings — continue for millions.

RESULTS helps craft critical provisions to eliminate school fees and other barriers to education as part of legislation to protect orphans and vulnerable children in developing countries. **The bill becomes U.S. law in November 2005.**

RESULTS volunteers work with Congress to successfully pressure the World Bank to **reverse its policy** of supporting primary school fees in developing countries.

RESULTS works with Congress to **pass a new bill** to ensure that half of all **microenterprise funding** reaches the very poor, mandating better measurement tools so we know if the poorest are benefitting.

RESULTS Educational Fund and its global partners **launch ACTION**, a partnership of advocacy organizations across five continents fighting diseases of poverty.

## 2006–2010

RESULTS volunteers **secure dozens of cosponsors** for the **Stop TB Now Act**, which is eventually incorporated into the historic Lantos-Hyde U.S. Global Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act. The legislation sets bold targets and reinvigorates U.S. support for all three diseases.

The Microcredit Summit Campaign achieves its goal of reaching **100 million** of the world's poorest families with microfinance loans and other key services.

Working with congressional allies, RESULTS helps boost annual **U.S. funding for TB** to a record **\$225 million**.

RESULTS helps expand the domestic Children's Health Insurance Program to cover **4.1 million** additional American kids.

## 2011-2015

U.S. funding for child survival and nutrition programs passes the **\$700 million** mark.

RESULTS plays a critical role in **stopping proposals** that would have slashed SNAP (formerly Food Stamps) funding and **removed four million people** from the program.

RESULTS volunteers successfully pressure the U.S. government to **more than double its annual contribution** to the **Global Partnership for Education** to help the poorest countries get all of their kids in school.

The Microcredit Summit Campaign secures its 65th commitment from international organizations and governments to help end extreme poverty, lifting more than **150 million people** above the poverty line.

Nobel Peace Prize laureate **Muhammad Yunus** accepts the **Congressional Gold Medal** in Washington, DC, citing RESULTS as having "built up tremendous momentum" for the microfinance movement.

RESULTS volunteers are instrumental in securing a landmark U.S. commitment of up to **\$5 billion** to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

On its **10th anniversary**, ACTION has grown to include **11 partners on five continents**. Together they have helped mobilize billions of dollars for global health and nutrition.

Working with our ACTION partners worldwide, RESULTS Educational Fund helps Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, exceed its global goal of raising **\$7.5 billion** from donor governments and others. The funding will support developing countries to save the lives of more than **five million children**.

# 35 *years* of Action

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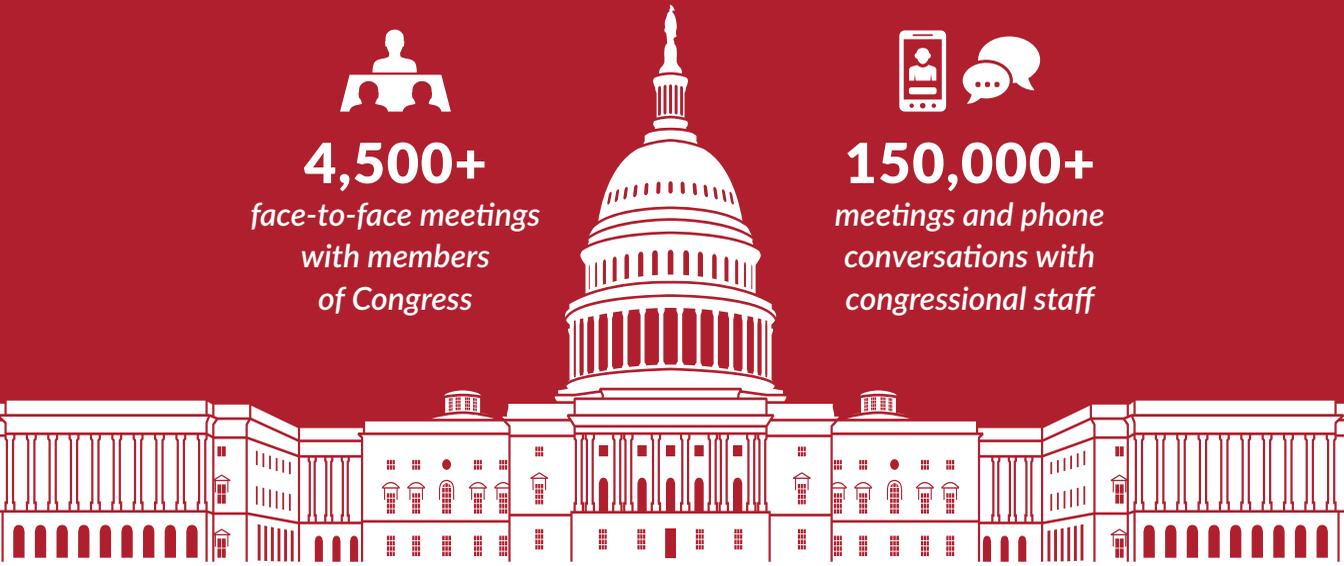
**12,000+**  
*pieces of media*



**4,500+**  
*face-to-face meetings  
with members  
of Congress*



**150,000+**  
*meetings and phone  
conversations with  
congressional staff*



# 35 *years* of Progress

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- *Child deaths are down by nearly **two-thirds**.*
- *The number of children in primary school has **doubled**.*
- *TB deaths have fallen by almost **half**.*
- *More than **1 billion** people have moved out of extreme poverty.*
- *Safety net programs cut the U.S. poverty rate nearly in **half** every year.*
- *Microfinance programs have reached **114 million** families living in extreme poverty.*

*But we're not finished yet. **JOIN US.***