



APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria

The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria has fundamentally transformed the global response to these diseases through partnerships with affected countries and smart investments aimed at improving health systems and increasing access to care. With our contribution to the Global Fund, the United States is helping lay the foundation for ending these diseases.

FY18 FUNDING REQUEST:

- Fund the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria at \$1.475 billion

Despite rapid progress, each year, 1.1 million people still die from AIDS-related causes and 1.8 million die and 10 million are sickened by tuberculosis (TB) – now the leading infectious killer. Meanwhile, malaria still kills up to 429,000 people annually, the majority of whom are young children living in Africa.

As the leading international partnership dedicated to fighting AIDS, TB, and malaria in the world, the Global Fund empowers countries to invest in bold plans to combat these leading killers. **Through these efforts, the Global Fund has saved 22 million lives.**

Why Funding Matters

- **U.S. Leadership to Save Lives:** In 2016, the U.S. affirmed its role as the leading donor to the Global Fund, pledging up to \$4.3 billion over the next three years (fiscal years 2017-2019). This commitment anchored a successful \$13 billion fundraising round to fund a plan to avert 300 million new infections and save up to 8 million additional lives. For every \$1 the U.S. provides to the Global Fund, we leverage \$2 from other donors to fight these diseases of poverty.
- **Impact:** Programs supported by the Global Fund have supported access to antiretroviral therapy for 10 million people, tested and treated 16.6 million people for TB, and distributed 713 million insecticide-treated nets to protect families against malaria. Deaths from HIV/AIDS, TB, and malaria have declined by one-third since 2002 in countries where the Global Fund invests.
- **Innovation and Leverage:** The Global Fund is on the leading edge of new approaches for ensuring that U.S. investments are well-spent. By pooling funding to procure medicine and other health supplies, the Global Fund saved \$500 million over two years. After they tightened requirements that countries that receive Global Fund resources also contribute their own resources, counterpart financing increased by 54 percent.

Loyce's Story

The Global Fund's board of directors includes a voting seat for communities affected by HIV/AIDS, TB, and malaria. Loyce, just 24 years old, is among the youngest members of the Communities Delegation. Today her input helps shape Global Fund policies and strategy, but not so long ago she was a young girl living with HIV in Zimbabwe.

Loyce was born with HIV, and before the age of 10, she lost her brother and both her parents. She had a difficult time growing up as a young person living with HIV: she faced stigma and verbal abuse from some of her relatives, missed school often due to ill health, struggled to afford health care, and nearly committed suicide. After being diagnosed with TB at age 12, she started receiving anti-retroviral treatment (ART) for her HIV for the first time, along with treatment for TB.

In 2004, Loyce joined Africaid's Zvandiri Programme as a beneficiary. Here, she had the opportunity to meet her peers with the same status. She began to gain confidence and realized she had a full life ahead of her. By 2009, she was trained as a peer counsellor on issues around treatment, care, and support, including HIV-related stigma and discrimination among youth living with HIV. Her confidence and advocacy only grew. In 2016, Loyce lent her voice to the fight by traveling country to country to build support for the Global Fund's pledging conference. Last year alone she met with the media, U.S. Congress, Bill Gates, Prince Harry, and Heads of Government. At the conference in Montreal, she shared a stage with Canada's Prime Minister and the head of the Global Fund to remind donors the difference the Global Fund makes in saving lives, *including hers*. Loyce said, "I would describe it as the beginning of a new life."



The formidable Global Fund advocate, Loyce Maturu (C) takes the stage with Canadian Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau (L), and the Global Fund's ED, Mark Dybul (R).

RESULTS' Request and Funding History

As members of Congress submit annual personal appropriations requests forms, they should protect critical funding for anti-poverty programs in the International Affairs account. RESULTS asks Members to also specifically show their support for ending the diseases of poverty by requesting funding in the State and Foreign Operations Appropriations bill for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria under State.

To do so, please submit a formal appropriations request forms for the Global Fund to Senators Graham and Leahy or Representatives Rogers and Lowey as Chairs and Ranking Members of the State and Foreign Operations Subcommittees of Appropriations. Contact RESULTS' staff Crickett Nicovich for support: cnicovich@results.org.

Fiscal Year	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	President's FY18 Request	RESULTS' FY18 Request
Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria	\$1.57 billion	\$1.65 billion	\$1.35 billion	\$1.35 billion	\$1.35 billion	\$1.125 billion	\$1.475 billion