

## MERCY CORPS AT A GLANCE: OUR VISION FOR CHANGE

Mercy Corps works amid disasters, conflicts, chronic poverty and instability, activating untapped human potential to create lasting change. Since 1979, Mercy Corps has provided \$1.5 billion in assistance to people in 106 nations.



Kids in Sudan. Photo: © Miguel Samper for Mercy Corps

Supported by headquarters in North America and Europe, the agency's global programs employ 3,500 staff worldwide and reach 16.4 million people in more than 35 countries. Over the past five years, more than 89 percent of the agency's resources have been allocated directly to programs that help people in need.

#### **Our Mission**

Mercy Corps exists to alleviate suffering, poverty and oppression by helping people build secure, productive and just communities.

#### **Our Core Values**

- We believe in the intrinsic value and dignity of human life.
- We are awed by human resilience, and believe in the ability of all people to thrive, not just exist.
- Our spiritual and humanitarian values compel us to act.
- We believe that all people have the right to live in peaceful communities and participate fully in the decisions that affect their lives.
- We believe that human imagination and energy can inspire innovative solutions to any problem, no matter how intractable.
- We believe that it is our duty to be effective stewards of the financial resources entrusted to us.

### **How We Work**

Mercy Corps' nearly 30 years of experience demonstrates that turmoil and tragedy often create opportunities for lasting, positive change. We support these opportunities with community-led and market-driven action. To endure, such change requires communities, government and businesses to solve problems in a spirit of accountability and full participation. We help key players cooperate to create secure, productive and just communities.

#### What We Do

Mercy Corps works for lasting change in the world's toughest transitional environments. We pioneer innovative strategies and scalable solutions in three areas:

- Enabling community-led and marketdriven recovery and development.
- Finding social innovations that address the toughest problems.
- Inspiring people to engage on global challenges.



Women in Colombia. Photo: © Miguel Samper for Mercy Corps

# Who We Help

Around the world, millions of people are caught up in intolerable situations. They know their own needs, priorities and the changes they want to see. Mercy Corps helps activate their untapped potential and put their ideas to work to improve life for their families and communities, now and in the future.

#### Where We Work

Africa: Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ethiopia, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Niger, Somalia, Sudan, Uganda, Zimbabwe.

Americas: Colombia, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Peru, United States.

<u>Balkans:</u> Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo.

<u>Caucasus/Central Asia:</u> Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan.

Middle East: Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, West Bank/Gaza.

South, East & Southeast Asia:
Afghanistan, China, Democratic
People's Republic of Korea, East Timor,
India, Indonesia, Mongolia, Nepal,
Pakistan, Sri Lanka.

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