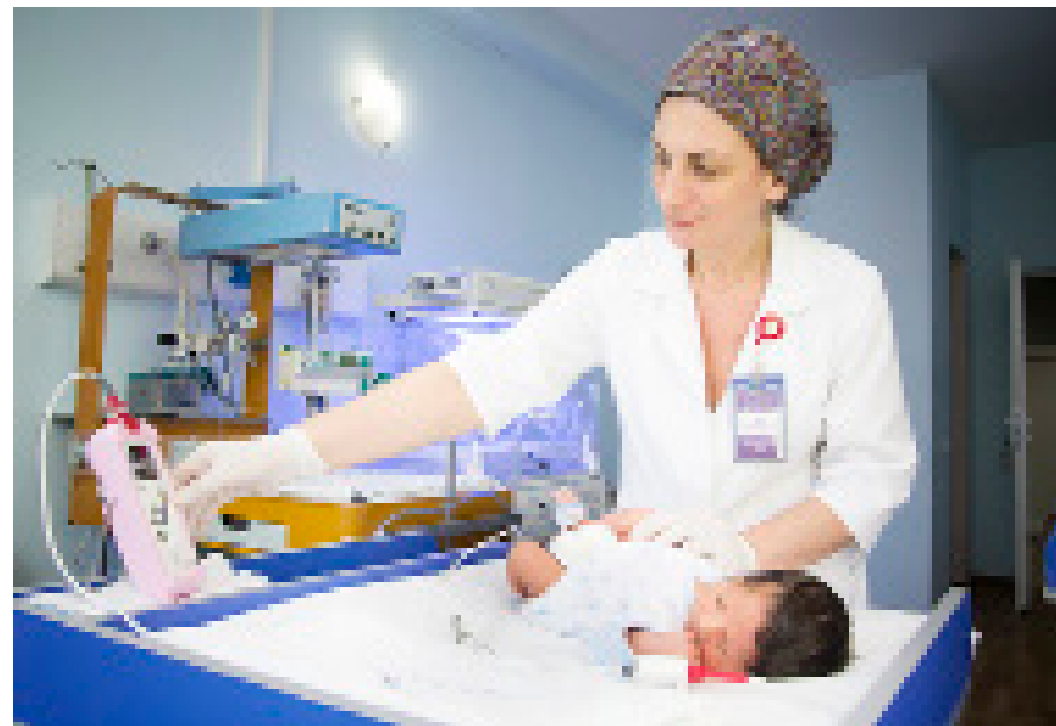




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Screening Newborns for Critical
Congenital Heart Defects

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Program Update

- Thanks to your ongoing support, the newborn heart screening program in Tbilisi has now been fully sustained by the Ministry of Health!
- Thanks to your generous support, RVF has raised \$34,503 to help screen newborns for critical heart defects.
- Since the program began through August 1, 2016, approximately 55,000 newborns have been screened.
- Of the total number of newborns screened, 35 newborns with confirmed critical heart defects and 130 with other heart defects were identified
- RVF urgently needs to raise \$10,000 to expand the program to the Kvemo-Kartli region of Georgia

“The RVF CCHD screening program is vital to ensuring the health of our newborn patients. The program has saved the lives of babies with CCHD who might not have survived without the screening program.”

- IA DAVITAIA, MD, PHD, PRESIDENT OF THE ASSOCIATION OF
NEONATOLOGISTS OF GEORGIA

Program Overview

- In the Republic of Georgia, more than 1,000 babies are born each year with potentially fatal heart defects. These babies can be saved if screened and diagnosed within 48 hours of birth
- RVF and the Ministry of Health are providing this life-saving screening to all babies in the capital Tbilisi. The program has already saved lives
- Now, with the support RVF has received through GlobalGiving, we are working on expanding the newborn screening program so that all babies in Georgia can benefit from this life-saving test
- This program provides heart screening equipment and training of local doctors and nurses, so that babies with heart defects are identified and receive free world-class treatment in Tbilisi
- The diagnostic capacity developed among Georgian doctors and nurses in the capital will help extend the benefits of this program to the entire country, thus benefiting all babies born in Georgia - 50,000 infants yearly. The Georgian government has agreed to fully sustain this program



Who is RVF?

RVF (Rostropovich-Vishnevskaya Foundation) promotes the health and wellbeing of children in need through sustainable, transformational public health programs in countries around the world. Founded in 1991 by Maestro Rostropovich, the world-renowned Russian cellist, and his wife, the soprano Galina Vishnevskaya, RVF is a publicly-supported non-profit 501(c)(3) organization based in Washington, D.C. has supported programs in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan and the West Bank and Gaza.

BY THE NUMBERS:

JUNE 1, 2014 - AUGUST 1, 2016

BENEFICIARIES:

- Approx. 55,000 newborns screened since program began in June 2014
- 35 newborns identified with critical heart defects, 130 newborns identified with other heart defects. All were provided with emergency treatment as needed. All babies have survived

CALL TO ACTION:

RVF urgently needs to raise \$10,000 to expand this life-saving screening program to the Kvemo-Kartli region of Georgia

DONATIONS:

- \$ 34,503 Raised with GlobalGiving
- Donations from 162 individual donations



Over 92% of all donated funds directly support RVF programs

