

REPORT  
SUMMARY 2018

**MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO**  
WE COMBAT EVERY ILLNESS, INCLUDING INJUSTICE



# About us

**Médicos del Mundo España (MdM) is a non-profit independent international association that promotes solidarity and pursues the fulfilment of the fundamental right to health and the enjoyment of a dignified life for any person. MdM is a member of the MdM International Network.**

Our goals are:

- Provide help to victims of human crises caused by wars or natural disasters and those people living in situation of destitution in the less developed areas of the planet.
- Attend to people who live in our country and are in a vulnerable situation.

On the other hand, we also denounce the violations of human rights, especially the restrictions on access to healthcare.

MdM has a firm commitment in favor of the values of humanitarian medicine, conceiving access to health as a right of all people, regardless of their place of birth, their race, their social or sexual status or their religion.

## WE ARE

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**886** : people associated with MdM Spain (**547** women and **339** men)

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**1,433** : volunteers in Spain (**1,070** women and **363** men)

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**82** : volunteers in countries where we run international cooperation projects (**39** women and **43** men)

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**55,828** : loyal donors (**29,434** women and **26,394** men)

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**1,511** : public and private partners

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**803** : payroll staff members (**415** women and **388** men)

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**450** : national staff in countries where we are running international cooperation projects (**170** women and **280** men)

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**74** : humanitarian staff (**42** women and **32** men)

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**157** : staff in regional offices (**131** women and **26** men)

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**104** : people working at Headquarters in Madrid (**65** women and **39** men)

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# Summary of the year

## **OUR CHALLENGE IS TO MAKE UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE A REALITY**

The core of MdM strategy is the rights'-based approach on health. We believe that all human beings are entitled to this right and, therefore, our mission is to accompany the most vulnerable people in the awareness of their right to health and the attainment of it, regardless of the circumstances in which they are.

In general terms, 2018 has been an intense year for us: our presence has been reinforced in several countries, and new scenarios have been initiated, both in advocacy activities or involving health care. Mesoamerica (Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua and Mexico) has become a geographical area of special interest, due to the dramatic escalation of the migration crisis during 2018: the exodus of thousands of people fleeing from poverty and violence and willing to reach USA (the so-called "caravan of migrants"). Causes of this crisis are to be found in injustice, poverty and rampant violence. MdM cannot turn a blind eye to such a crude scenario; thus, we are accompanying these persons and denounce the underlying causes of the movement.

In Africa, MdM aims to strengthen Civil Society and tackle Gender based Violence, mainly among displaced and refugee populations. For this reason we work in one of the worst possible scenarios, South Sudan, a country that in its few years of existence has barely known peace.

In compliance with MdM's commitment to the right to healthcare for all people, we are one of the few organizations working in Siria

on a regular basis. As is well known, this country is suffering a bloody civil war for 8 years, a conflict whose end seems far away. Our mission there consists in rehabilitation of the Health System and the fostering of resilience.

A few years ago the Ukrainian health situation was not really worse than the one in Western Europe. For that reason, it's quite amazing to witness the constant deterioration of indicators due to a war which is constantly ignored by the media. The more conspicuous victims of the crisis are ageing people and vulnerable groups.

On all these programmes you can find more detailed information in the 2018 Report, published on the Médicos del Mundo website.

I would like to remind that our association continues to advance, as a result of the social support received. On the other hand, we must stress the fact that some months ago MdM-Turkey has joined the International Network, nowadays built up by 16 delegations.

So far, we perceive the need of reinforcing our position and capacities, in order to cope with needs of an increasingly complex society.



A blue ink handwritten signature that reads "José Félix H." with a stylized flourish at the end.

**José Félix Hoyo Jiménez**  
President  
Médicos del Mundo

# In Spain



## ADVOCACY

Many changes have occurred during 2018, both in Spain and at international scale. In our country, a new government was constituted. Globally, we are witnessing a setback in the right to provide humanitarian aid, the criminalization of people and organizations that work to help migrants and refugees becoming usual.

In accordance with our philosophy, we have maintained the defence of universal health coverage model, that we consider basic to prevent exclusion. To this purpose we have held five meetings with representatives of the Ministerio de Sanidad, Consumo y Bienestar Social in order to present our point of view, and, as well, we have carried out an intense work in the Spanish Parliament in order to bring to the different political parties our proposals for amendments to Royal Decree-Law 7/2018. We met as well with the health authorities of the city of Melilla to express our concern about the situation of migrants who arrive in the city or who live on the border with Morocco. We also raised some recommendations to fight against the exclusion of migrants in the health system.

We have advocated for:

- Universal health coverage, regardless of people's condition or any factor of exclusion based on social, economic or cultural grounds, for instance: dichotomy migrant versus refugee.
- Official Development Aid conceived as the main tool of Spain's cooperation agenda (given the increasing role of the private sector in foreign and development policy). On this particular subject, along with Medicus Mundi we published the report on Health in Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Action-2017 (*La Salud en la Cooperación al Desarrollo y la Acción Humanitaria-2017*).

Regarding Free Access to Life-Saving drugs, we participated in several actions of the "NoEsSano" Campaign.

In close coordination with MdM International Network, we support an appeal against the decision by the European Patent Office (EPO)

taken in September to revoke the patent of the pharmacist Gilead on sofosbuvir, a drug for hepatitis C, because it does not meet the requirements to be a patentable invention from a legal or scientific perspective.

**Virus EVA Campaign** Given the unsatisfactory situation of women worldwide (due to many causes: lack of access to basic rights, and lack of equity in gender relations, among others), MdM undertook a provocative campaign called "Virus EVA", willing to raise concern among the global decision-makers, and more specifically WHO, in order to make them to react to the many threats that put at risk the lives of 3.7 billion women all around the world, and urging them to set up policies aiming to reduce inequalities that are the origin of such threats.

## DOMESTIC PROGRAMMES

In MdM we work to make effective the universal right to health of the vulnerable populations that are at risk of social exclusion with an approach of Gender and Human Rights.

In the fourteen regions in which we are present, in addition to the city of Melilla, we carry out health programmes aiming at people in situation of prostitution, migrants, drugs users, homeless, people living with HIV/AIDS, intending to guarantee their inclusion in the health system. As well, we carry out specific programmes for prevention and treatment of Feminine Genital Mutilation.

We advocate for social change through a Human Rights approach, working simultaneously with Right Holders, Obligation Holders and Responsibility Holders. Regarding the latter, we must stress the programmes aiming to encourage the involvement of students in social change. In fact, during the last year we have continued with the implementation of the program "Un mundo en movimiento, cuestión de derechos". 1,663 youth (Secondary Education Students, 860 girls and 803 boys) have participated in it. Awareness actions have been also developed in the social health and university field, through the project called "Personas que se mueven", benefiting 85 health workers plus 507 university students (50-50 men and women).



## IN SPAIN

93

autonomous community programmes

13

state programmes

60,584

interventions: **39,131** social, **13,828** health and **7,625** psychological

18,787

people assisted: **12,910** women and **5,359** men and **518** trans

15,003

interventions: **8,213** immigrant (**4,369** women and **3,844** men)

37,085

interventions: **8,993** people in situation of prostitution (**8,714** women, including **525** trans and **279** men, including **2** trans)

1,845

interventions: **848** persons to prevent female genital mutilation (**701** women and **147** men)

2,705

interventions: **1,045** drug users (**199** women **844** men and **2** trans)

3,336

interventions: **659** homeless persons (**131** women, **525** men and **3** trans)

# International Programmes

**2018 has been a year of intense work in the international area. The phenomenon of migratory movements in Mesoamerica, its causes and consequences, as well as the long-term conflicts in Syria, Ukraine and South Sudan, have concentrated much of our efforts.**

However, we have not left aside the work we have been doing for years in Africa and Latin America. With the complexities inherent to each context, we continue to focus our work on the development and exercise of the right to health of the most disadvantaged populations and groups, with a gender and intercultural approach. We accompany platforms and organizations of civil society as well as ministries and administrations in order to defend and strengthen public health systems. Together with all of them, year after year, we are consolidating knowledge and experience in the field of sexual and reproductive rights.

In this sense, we can highlight the work focused on the identification, prevention and attention of gender violence and improvement of sexual and reproductive health (Angola, Mauritania, Mozambique), as well as the strengthening of local governments and organizations of civil society (Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Haiti and Nicaragua).

Along with MdM-France, we continue our work in the Mesoamerican region on migration and forced displacement, providing assistance to migrants and supporting asylum seekers.

In Africa we want to highlight in 2018 the work on sexual violence and female

genital mutilation in Mauritania, the drive to achieve quality access to health services for the LGBTI community in Senegal, our activities to support displaced people in Angola (on the field of Mental Health plus prevention of Gender Violence), and, finally, a project of pediatric care in South Sudan. Nowadays we are present in 8 African countries: Angola, Burkina Faso, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Senegal, Sierra Leone and South Sudan.

In Occupied Palestinian Territory, where occurs the longest-lasting refugee crisis in history, and where access to basic Human Rights decreases day after day, we have boosted our intervention, aimed especially at Pediatric and Orthopedic Surgery, as well as mental health.

In Syria, MdM is one of the few organizations that works in a stable way, and does so in the reconstruction and increase of the resilience of the health system, which after 8 years of cruel war, is in a deplorable situation.

In Ukraine, a crisis as close as forgotten, we have a continued presence aimed at strengthening mental health and supporting primary health care.

Every year, new crises that generate population displacements are added to the lasting crises and chronic conflicts. Increasingly, all this is accompanied by prolonged droughts, floods or epidemics. At MdM we have the capacity to intervene where necessary, But our job is also to advocate to prevent this from happening, and prepare the population and health systems to mitigate its effects.



Beatriz Savoya listens to the baby's heartbeat in the Bor district hospital, South Sudan.

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## INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

**49** : development  
international programmes

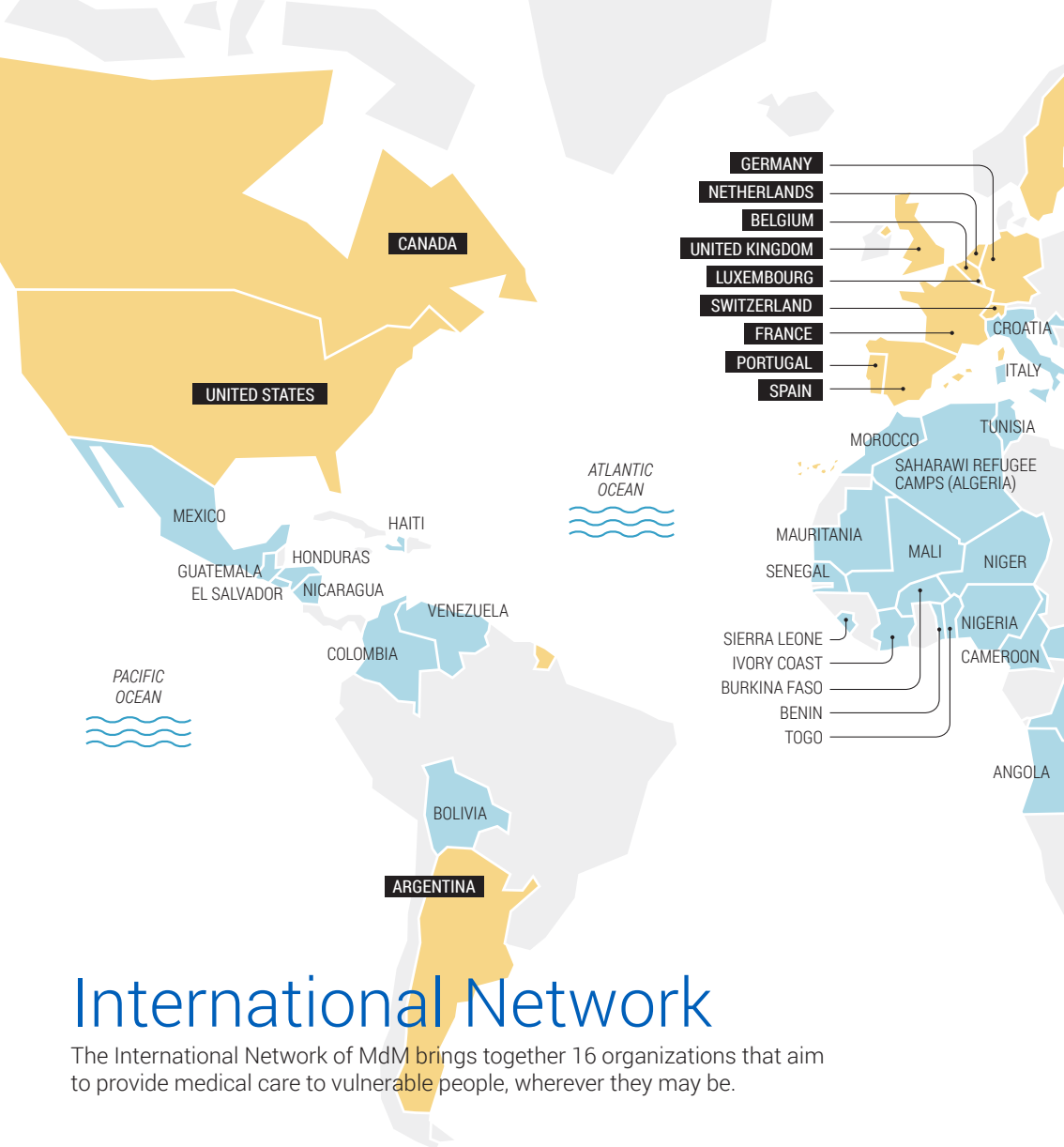
**42** : humanitarian  
action programmes

**19** : countries or territories

**167** : associated national  
organizations

**1,490,369** : people directly  
involved in our  
programmes

**15,414,947** : people indirectly  
involved in our  
programmes



# International Network

The International Network of Mdm brings together 16 organizations that aim to provide medical care to vulnerable people, wherever they may be.

Ärzte der Welt **Germany**

[www.aerztedervelt.org](http://www.aerztedervelt.org)

Médicos del Mundo **Argentina**

[www.mdm.org.ar](http://www.mdm.org.ar)

Dokters Van De Wereld **Belgium**

[www.doktersvandewereld.be](http://www.doktersvandewereld.be)

Médecins du Monde **Canada**

[www.medecinsdumonde.ca](http://www.medecinsdumonde.ca)

Médicos del Mundo **Spain**

[www.medicosdelmundo.org](http://www.medicosdelmundo.org)

Doctors of the World **United States**

[www.doctorsoftheworld.org](http://www.doctorsoftheworld.org)

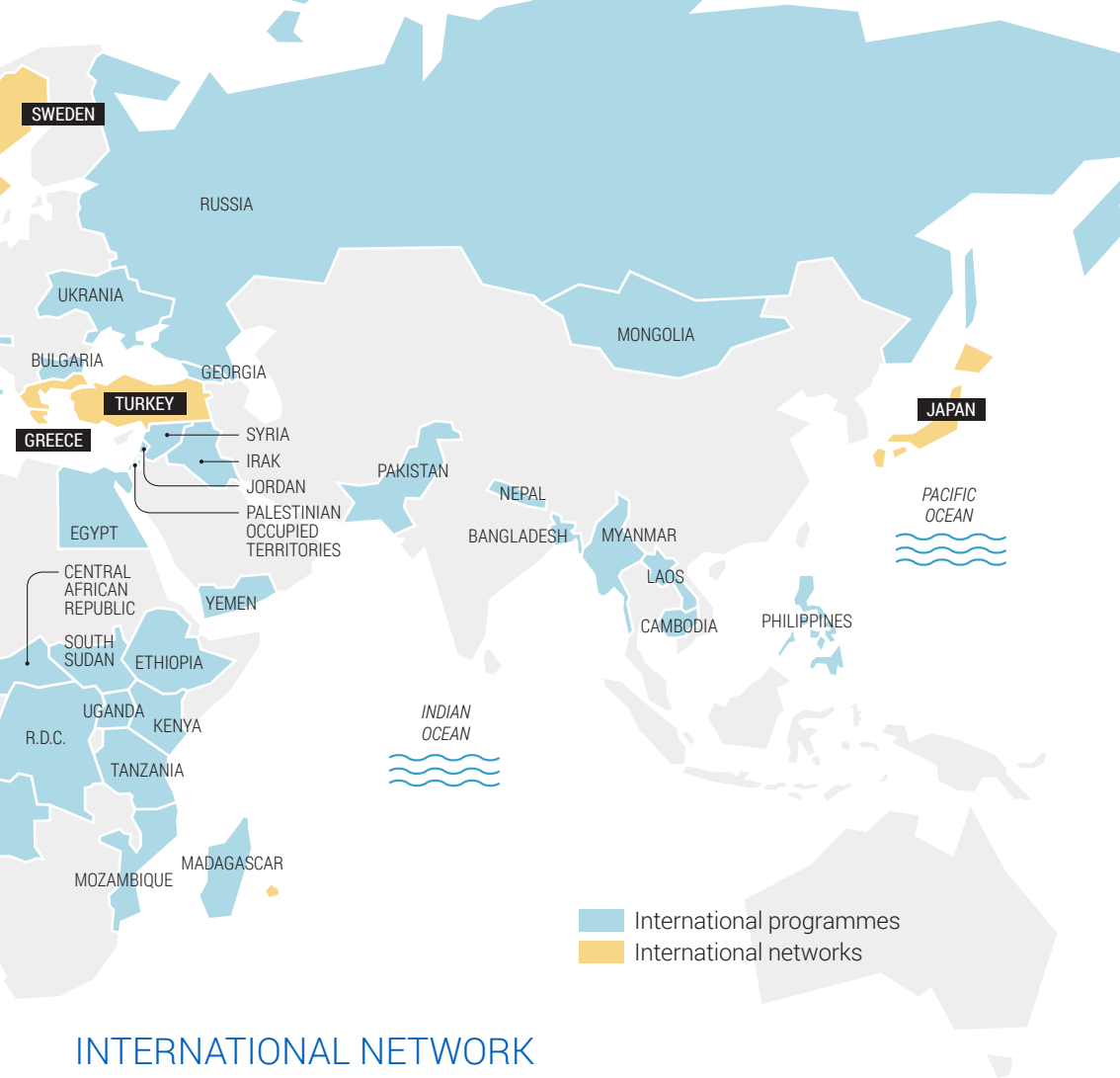
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[www.medecinsdumonde.org](http://www.medecinsdumonde.org)

Γιατροί του Κόσμου **Greece**

[www.mdmgreece.gr](http://www.mdmgreece.gr)





## INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

**155** : international programmes  
in **57** countries

世界の医療団 **Japan**

[www.mdm.or.jp](http://www.mdm.or.jp)

Dokters vander Welt **Luxembourg**

[www.medecinsdumonde.lu](http://www.medecinsdumonde.lu)

Dokters van de Wereld **Netherlands**

[www.doktersvandewereld.org](http://www.doktersvandewereld.org)

Médicos do Mundo **Portugal**

[www.medicosdomundo.pt](http://www.medicosdomundo.pt)

**218** : national programmes  
in **16** countries

Doctors of the World **United Kingdom**

[www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk](http://www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk)

Läkare i världen **Sweden**

[www.lakareivarlden.org](http://www.lakareivarlden.org)

Médecins du Monde **Switzerland**

[www.medecinsdumonde.ch](http://www.medecinsdumonde.ch)

Dünya Doktorları Derneği **Turkey**

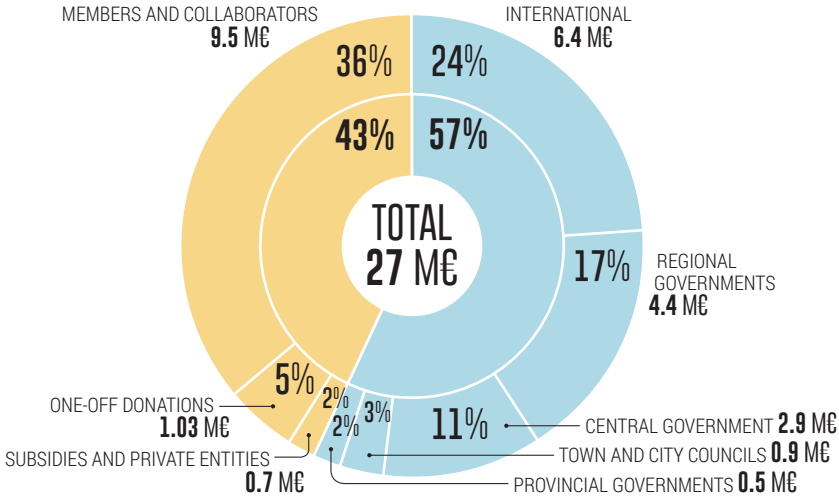
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# 2018 Financial report

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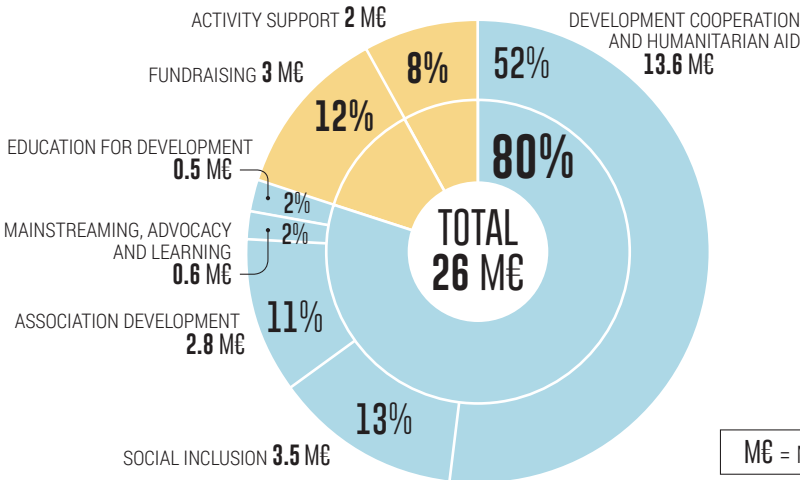
## HOW WE GET OUR FUNDS

43% PRIVATE 12 M€    57% PUBLIC 15 M€



## HOW WE SPEND OUR FUNDS

80% MISSIONS 21 M€    12% FUNDRAISING 3 M€    8% ACTIVITY SUPPORT 2 M€



M€ = MILLION EUROS

# What you can do

Your help can change lives. By supporting **Médicos del Mundo** you are helping to improve health access for everyone, vulnerable, excluded or victims of natural catastrophes, famines, diseases, armed conflicts or political violence.

## MAKE A DONATION

Help us in an ongoing way by making a regular or a temporary donation. You can do so by filling in the simple form at our website [www.medicosdelmundo.org](http://www.medicosdelmundo.org), by calling **91 567 86 01** or **902 286 286** or by sending an email to: [ayuda@medicosdelmundo.org](mailto:ayuda@medicosdelmundo.org)

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Contact us by phone on **91 567 86 01** or **902 286 286** if you intend leaving a legacy or making a will. You can also write to [herencias@medicosdelmundo.org](mailto:herencias@medicosdelmundo.org). We will advise you on any legal aspect necessary to include Médicos del Mundo in your will.

## CONTRIBUTE TO REVERT UNJUST SITUATIONS: BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Médicos del Mundo is a voluntary organization, a place for action and participation where you can help change an unjust reality. Volunteers act and take action to defend the rights of the most disadvantaged and those excluded from accessing the public health system. To become a volunteer get in touch with your nearest office or send an email to [voluntariado@medicosdelmundo.org](mailto:voluntariado@medicosdelmundo.org)

## SPREAD THE WORD

You can also help us tell your friends about **our campaigns**, subscribe to our newsletters or send us your comments and suggestions. You can visit us on **Facebook, Twitter and Instagram**, on our **blog** and on our **Youtube channel**.

**Will you help us spread the word?**



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