

Summary of 2016 Successes

Change on Capitol Hill, across the country, and around the world:

- Our advocates helped build unprecedented congressional momentum for ending preventable maternal and child deaths, gaining the support of an outright majority of the House and one-third of the Senate for the [Reach Every Mother and Child Act](#).
- The White House answered the call of advocates nationwide, making a matching pledge of up to [\\$4.3 billion](#) to support the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. Building on 15 years of advocacy, volunteers mobilized over a third of the Senate and generated over 100 pieces of media to secure this year's pledge.
- RESULTS volunteers are building on their landmark victory from the end of 2015, when they helped make crucial provisions of pro-work tax credits permanent, preventing 16 million Americans from being forced into poverty or deeper into poverty. In 2016 they pushed to protect the U.S. safety net and improve tax policy by publishing almost 200 pieces of media and meeting face-to-face with members of Congress 119 times.
- Our volunteers and staff helped push the [Education for All Act](#) to the brink of being passed into law, setting the stage for our critical global education campaign in 2017.

Cutting-edge advocacy:

- RESULTS welcomed eight new [Experts on Poverty](#) and continued to grow this innovative program, which is a platform for advocates who have experienced poverty firsthand. Together the Experts on Poverty are changing policies and changing perceptions on poverty in Washington and nationwide.
- Our movement continued to grow in 2016 and we are closing in on our goal of active volunteer chapters in all 50 states. New groups launched in West Virginia, Arkansas, Wyoming, and more.
- Our volunteers had their most successful media year in over a decade, securing over 550 media pieces in every corner of the country, from the [Baltimore Sun](#) to the [Duluth News Tribune](#) to the [Birmingham News](#).
- We held our biggest International Conference ever, with over 600 attendees from 35 countries.

A growing global movement:

- ACTION, our global health advocacy partnership, ran a coordinated campaign to rally international support for the Global Fund. ACTION's efforts to build political will and raise awareness contributed directly to achieving over \$9.8 billion in pledges toward the global plan to save 8 million lives by 2020.
- ACTION launched an important new research report called [From Policy to Practice: How the TB-HIV Response is Working](#). The report was released at the 2016 International AIDS Conference in Durban, South Africa.
- We were thrilled to launch the online home for [The Right to Education Index](#) (RTEI), a brand new RESULTS initiative. RTEI is a groundbreaking global report card that aims to ensure that all people, no matter where they live, are able to enjoy their right to a quality education. Fifteen countries participated in RTEI in 2016. Learn more at www.rtei.org.