

## Our Results

### MICROFINANCE

More than 125 million of the world's poorest people have received microcredit loans. We're working to achieve bold goals set by the Microcredit Summit Campaign (a project of RESULTS Educational Fund) to reach 175 million borrowers most in need and lift 100 million families out of extreme poverty by 2015. We want the U.S. to lead in these efforts, so more borrowers are able to build small businesses, meet basic needs, and create pathways out of poverty.

### CREATING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

RESULTS works to strengthen the Child Tax Credit (CTC) and the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC, America's largest anti-poverty program) for low-income working families, preventing 2.4 million people from falling into poverty. In 2012, RESULTS grassroots advocates met face-to-face with at least 12 senators and 35 representatives, along with hundreds of congressional staff, and generated 46 pieces of media to protect critical tax credits for low-income working families. As a result, Congress extended expiring EITC and CTC provisions for low-income working families for five years.

### GLOBAL HEALTH

Because RESULTS put a spotlight on one of the biggest causes of illness and poverty worldwide — tuberculosis (TB) — U.S. funding for TB control rose from \$1 million in 1997 to \$236 million in 2012. By mobilizing over 100 members of Congress and generating more than 100 pieces of media, we were also instrumental in securing the first multi-year pledge from the U.S. for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, which saves over 100,000 lives every month from these diseases of poverty.

### HEALTH CARE FOR ALL AMERICANS

RESULTS' grassroots activism played a role in the extension of health insurance coverage to 20 million uninsured children and adults through the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and Medicaid. We're committed to quality, affordable health care for all Americans, particularly those most in need.

### CHILD SURVIVAL

When RESULTS advocates started working on child survival in the 1980s, more than 40,000 children died every day of preventable diseases. Through RESULTS advocacy, U.S. leadership, and a scaled-up global effort for immunizations and other child survival programs, that number has been cut in half.

### EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

RESULTS is a critical force protecting and expanding Head Start and Early Head Start to help build a smarter, healthier, and stronger America.

### What People Say About RESULTS

"I considered myself apolitical when I got involved in RESULTS, but I had a great longing to make a difference. RESULTS was a safe place to learn about how our government and world really work. Now I savor the taste of involvement; of advocating for those who need a hand up, not a hand out; of incremental, yet positive change."

— RESULTS volunteer Teresa Rugg

"I get the question all the time, 'What can we do to make what we care about happen politically?' I always cite RESULTS as the example. Nobody does it better than you."

— Representative Adam Smith

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**RESULTS**  
the power to end poverty

*Empowering  
ordinary people  
to become  
extraordinary  
voices for the  
end of poverty.*

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## Who We Are: Democracy in Action

RESULTS and its sister organization RESULTS Educational Fund (REF) are revolutionizing the way Americans interact with their democracy while helping millions of people move out of poverty.

Our model is unique and powerful. In over 100 communities across the U.S., RESULTS volunteers meet regularly with members of Congress and other leaders to urge support for programs and policies that address the root causes of poverty. Chapters can focus on U.S. or international poverty, or both. Their activities range from calling for more funding for proven programs to ensuring that government poverty-alleviation policies produce results.

Each group is supported by RESULTS' staff, volunteer Regional Coordinators, and Group Leaders who coach volunteers to:

- ✓ Speak powerfully about the causes of and solutions to poverty;
- ✓ Develop relationships with elected officials;
- ✓ Work with the media to raise awareness and build public pressure; and
- ✓ Mobilize communities to take action.

*The success of our work proves that ordinary people can create extraordinary change.*

*"It is absolutely essential that citizens all across this country be part of an effort like RESULTS that reminds members of Congress why it is so important to invest in women and children. . . . If members of RESULTS aren't talking about it, we won't hear about it."*  
— Senator Patty Murray (D-WA)

## Current Campaigns

Health care, education, and economic opportunity — these are three of the essential ingredients needed for people to rise out of poverty. Our campaigns are strategically chosen to create a world in which all people can thrive. We're working for:

### HEALTH

- ✓ Save the lives of 4.2 million children by 2015 by increasing access to immunizations, particularly new vaccines for pneumonia and diarrhea
- ✓ Expanded diagnostics and treatment for tuberculosis (TB), HIV/AIDS, and malaria
- ✓ Quality, affordable health care for all Americans and greater funding for child nutrition programs

### EDUCATION FOR ALL

- ✓ Smart investments in early childhood development programs, like Head Start and child care
- ✓ Increasing U.S. investment in the Global Partnership for Education to ensure universal access to quality primary education

### ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

- ✓ Asset-building strategies such as expanding tax credits and savings opportunities for low-income Americans to break the cycle of poverty
- ✓ Greater investment in microfinance (small loans and financial services) for the world's poorest

## Get Involved

At RESULTS, we don't just ask you to take action; we train you to be a powerful advocate for change. When you join our team of activists, you'll improve your speaking, writing, and advocacy skills, and take measurable actions that will improve the lives of millions of people in the U.S. and around the world.

***Leave hopelessness behind. Find out how you can join the movement to end poverty and discover your extraordinary self!***

### GET RESULTS IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

- I'm interested in attending an informational meeting or joining a RESULTS group in my area.
- I'm interested in helping to start a RESULTS group in my community.
- I would like to receive RESULTS' Weekly Update newsletter (via e-mail).
- I would like to receive RESULTS e-mail action alerts.

I am interested in:  
Global Issues \_\_\_\_ U.S. Issues \_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_

- I would like to contribute financially to the work of RESULTS. Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_

To donate by credit card, please visit  
[www.results.org/support\\_results](http://www.results.org/support_results).

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