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## USAID/LEPP Background

Under Section 607 of the Foreign Assistance Act (FAA) of 1961, the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) has special authority to provide approved Private Voluntary Organizations (PVOs) access to the General Services Administration (GSA) and the Defense Logistics Agency's (DLA) Disposition Services excess property programs.

The Limited Excess Property Program (LEPP) was established in 1987 by USAID as an innovative and cost-effective strategy to transfer millions of dollars' worth of U.S. Government (USG) surplus property to PVOs and USAID Missions to supplement their global development, disaster relief, and humanitarian aid programs overseas.

LEPP provides access to federal surplus property on behalf of the American people to communities in developing nations. Furthermore, the program promotes sustainable and locally driven development through productive partnerships with host governments and local non-profits. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2020, 23 PVOs participated in LEPP, alongside 31 USAID Missions and three U.S. Embassies.

Over the last 33 years, LEPP has leveraged approximately \$1 billion worth of federal surplus property to help build and strengthen the local capacity in over 70 countries. LEPP is managed by USAID's American Schools and Hospitals Abroad (ASHA), which is part of the Bureau for Development, Democracy, and Innovation's Local, Faith, and Transformative Partnerships (LFT) Hub.

**“On behalf of the American people, LEPP partners with U.S. humanitarian aid organizations to transfer federal surplus property donations to communities in developing nations.”**

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## Year in Review

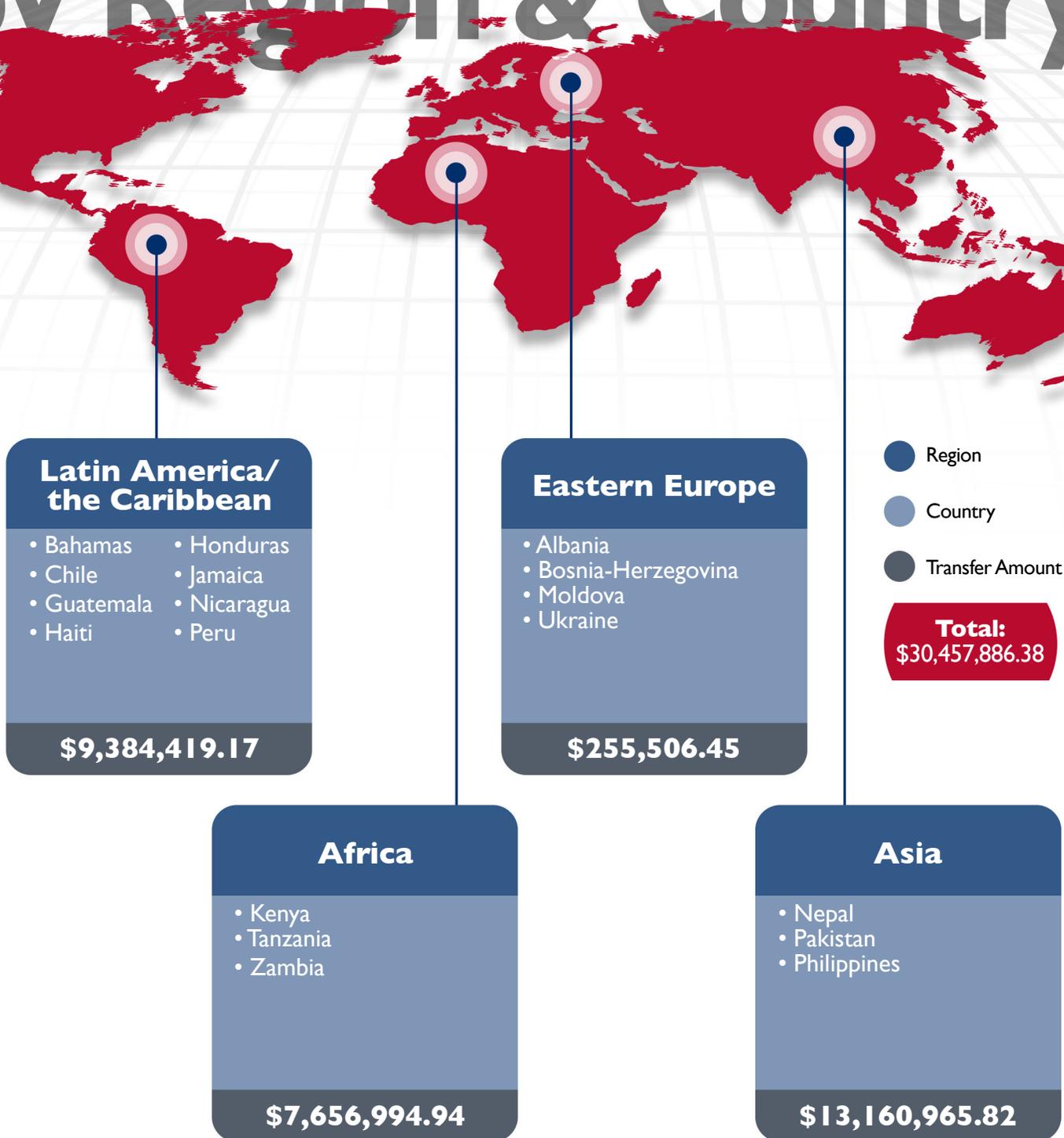
In Fiscal Year 2020 LEPP successfully transferred over \$30 million worth of surplus property to 18 countries where USAID provides aid and development assistance. The property transferred included medical and dental equipment and supplies, generators, hygiene kits, household furnishings, and rehabilitation equipment. This property supported ongoing development objectives which include global health systems strengthening, humanitarian assistance, and educational programs.

In partnership with the General Services Administration (GSA), the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA), and our Private Voluntary Organizations (PVOs), LEPP has strategically leveraged federal surplus property to support health systems in our partner countries. Our program has provided \$30,108,971 worth of vital medical and dental equipment and supplies to 13 countries throughout Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean. Subsequently, the medical supplies were disbursed globally to various hospitals and clinics to protect and aid the health care workers who are providing care during this unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic.

Federal surplus property worth \$9,384,419 was transferred to the Bahamas, Chile, Haiti, Jamaica, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Peru. Asia received \$13,160,966 worth of surplus property which benefited rural communities in Nepal, Pakistan, and the Philippines. Eastern Europe received surplus property amounting to \$255,506, which benefited underserved families in Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Moldova, and Ukraine. In addition, Kenya, Tanzania, and Zambia received medical and ophthalmic instruments, equipment, and supplies valued at \$7,656,995 to assist patients who are visually impaired and who suffer from eye ailments.

In April 2020, LEPP completed a competitive application cycle and selected 16 diverse PVOs who continually strive to impact the world by offering disaster relief, humanitarian aid, and emergency preparedness where needed. With the donated property that is allocated to education, health, agriculture, and humanitarian assistance, it is our partners' goals to develop programs that can create sustainability in underdeveloped communities.

# Property Transfers by Region & Country



### LEPP FY 2020 Order Value Report by PVO, Region & Country

PVO/Mission	Region	Order Value	Country	Order Value			
<b>Deseret International Foundation</b>	LAC	\$345,408.23	Chile	\$4,316,732.38	<b>Total</b> \$21,912,391.36		
		\$3,177,762.25	Haiti				
		\$793,561.90	Peru				
	Asia	\$43,693.62	Pakistan	\$12,413,707.82			
		\$12,370,014.20	Philippines				
	Africa	\$204,384.05	Kenya	\$5,181,951.16			
		\$4,977,567.11	Tanzania				
	<b>Food For The Poor</b>	LAC	\$355,213.60	Jamaica		\$355,213.60	<b>Total</b> \$355,213.60
	<b>Mission Without Borders</b>	Eastern Europe/Eurasia	\$46,379.80	Albania		\$255,506.45	<b>Total</b> \$255,506.45
\$37,393.71			Bosnia-Herzegovina				
\$84,138.02			Moldova				
\$87,594.92			Ukraine				
<b>OAA/ART</b>	LAC	\$93,408.00	Bahamas	\$93,408.00	<b>Total</b> \$93,408.00		
<b>World Help</b>	LAC	\$3,391,593.50	Guatemala	\$4,619,065.19	<b>Total</b> \$7,841,366.97		
		\$363,198.97	Honduras				
		\$864,272.72	Nicaragua				
	Asia	\$747,258.00	Nepal	\$747,258.00			
	Africa	\$2,475,043.78	Zambia	\$2,475,043.78			
	<b>FY 2020 Total Value of Transfers</b>						<b>Total</b> \$30,457,886.38

### LEPP Property Totals by Region for FY 2020



Europe - 1%  
\$255,506.45



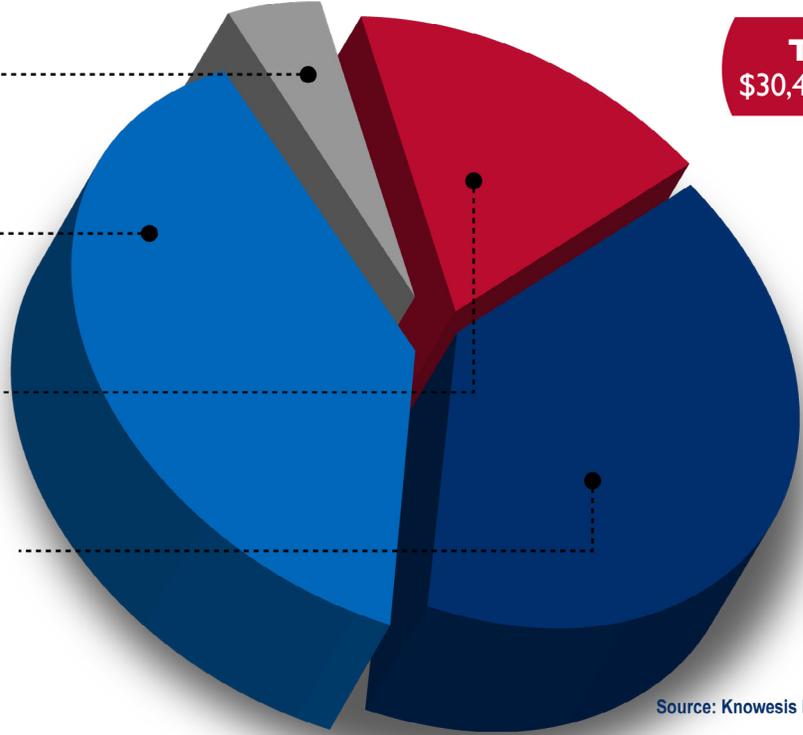
Asia - 43%  
\$13,160,965.82



Africa - 25%  
\$7,656,994.94



Latin America/Caribbean - 31%  
\$9,384,419.17



**Total:**  
\$30,457,886.38

Source: Knowesis Inc.

## LEPP PVO Partners



- ADRA International
- Children's Hunger Fund (CHF) \*\*
- Christian Relief Services (CRS)
- Deseret International Foundation
- Food For The Poor, Inc. (FFP) \*\*
- Globus Relief
- Helping Hand for Relief and Development (HHRD)
- Imani House, Inc.
- International Medical Equipment Collaborative (IMEC)
- Medical Benevolence Foundation (MBF)
- Mission Without Borders (MWB) \*\*
- Operation Smile
- Outreach Aid to the Americas/ Americas Relief Team - (OAA/ART) \*\*
- Pan American Development Foundation (PADF)
- Project C.U.R.E.
- Salesian Missions
- Seeding Labs
- ShareCircle
- Stop Hunger Now (SHN)
- US Foundation of the University of the Valley of Guatemala (USFUVG)
- United Ukrainian American Relief Committee (UUARC)
- World Help \*\*
- World Hope International

\*\*Denotes Faith Based Organization

## FY 2021 Key Priority Areas



- LEPP continues to align its program with the strategic priority areas of the newly launched Local, Faith, and Transformative Partnerships (LFT) Hub in the Bureau for Development, Democracy, and Innovation (DDI).
- LEPP will support the LFT Hub's strategic priority areas that include fostering partnerships with nontraditional and diverse organizations, promoting sustainable development, and enhancing U.S. public diplomacy.
- LEPP alongside the General Services Administration (GSA) and the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) will conduct a Private Voluntary Organization (PVO) partner training for PVOs who were newly selected for the program.
- LEPP will continue implementing the Do No Harm (DNH) requirements to ensure that the federal surplus property accessed through the program is safely transferred, utilized, and disposed of by PVOs and their in-country partners.
- LEPP will strengthen program collaborations with faith-based partner organizations and highlight LEPP's contribution in supporting such organizations in their humanitarian and development projects overseas.
- LEPP will continue to increase the visibility of the program amongst internal and external stakeholders by performing outreach and communications initiatives that highlight the program's accomplishments as well as create content that is aligned with the overarching Agency communications messaging.

## Program Highlights:

### LEPP donations support global efforts to mitigate the COVID-19 pandemic

COVID-19 has affected our global economy and health, education, and agricultural systems. The pandemic is particularly detrimental to the most vulnerable people, including developing nations who are experiencing unprecedented pressure on their already limited capacity to tackle urgent public health and social needs.

When a global health emergency arises, America responds with emergency aid and support. The United States of America has made available more than \$20.5 billion to combat COVID-19, and the U.S. Agency for International Development is doing its part in supporting the American response to the COVID-19 pandemic with decisive action at home and abroad. USAID's priorities in the response are to protect the safety and health security of our global workforce, ensure that we can continue our life-saving mission across the world, and support partner countries in their response to COVID-19.



LEPP supports USAID's priorities in our COVID-19 response. In FY 2020 (October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020), LEPP successfully transferred \$30,457,886.38 worth of surplus property to 18 countries where USAID provides aid and development assistance. The property transferred included hygiene kits, generators, rehabilitation equipment, household furnishings, and medical consumables as well as laboratory, dental, and ophthalmic equipment. Approximately 52% of these orders were procured during the COVID-19 pandemic between March 1 and September 30.

- Latin America & the Caribbean – federal surplus property worth \$9,384,419.17 was transferred to the Bahamas, Chile, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Nicaragua, and Peru.
- Asia – federal surplus property worth \$13,160,965.82 was transferred to Nepal, Pakistan, and the Philippines.
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## The need continues

As we return to work and school, reopen businesses, and slowly embrace the new normal, millions around the world are still coping with the devastation wrought by the COVID-19 pandemic. There remains an urgent need for physical capital, especially for medical equipment and supplies to help countries deal with the public health and socio-economic impact of COVID-19. Over the last several months, LEPP's partner organization World Help has procured LEPP donations for Guatemala, Honduras, Nepal, Nicaragua, Uganda, and Zambia to assist in the global efforts to mitigate the pandemic. In Nicaragua, 25,730 residents have benefited from donated medical equipment and consumables that were distributed to regional hospitals to aid communities affected by COVID-19. In May of 2020, personal protective equipment (PPE) valued at \$750,000 was provided to medical workers in Uganda's regional hospitals by World Help. These donations were described by the Uganda Ministry of Health as the largest medical donation since COVID-19 was first detected in March of 2020 in the country.

Physical capital such as vital signs monitors, ventilators, EKGs, sterilizers, aspirators, and hospital beds that were initially procured through LEPP to aid regional and rural hospitals and health centers are now being utilized to fight the pandemic. Every donation counts, simple items such as hygiene kits are critical for protecting health care professionals and first responders and have also been distributed through World Help to vulnerable communities impacted by a shortage of water, electrical power, and disruptions in the supply-chain. These simple measures protect communities and save lives.

## Program Highlights:

### LEPP transfers of medical equipment support health care programs in underserved communities

LEPP continues to impact populations in developing countries by providing scarce medical, dental, and ophthalmic equipment and supplies to institutions that bring affordable health care services to low income populations. Many of the beneficiaries reside in areas with limited access to preventative care and medical treatment.

One example is the University Teaching Hospital (UTH) in Lusaka, Zambia, a major referral hospital serving the Lusaka area that works with LEPP's PVO partner World Help. In addition to training the next generation of doctors and nurses, UTH serves as a hub for more complex and complicated medical cases. The cases arise from densely populated impoverished communities in and around Lusaka due to a lack of access to care.

Federal surplus property donations transferred to UTH included infant incubators, bandages, sharps containers, hygiene kits, vital signs monitors, suction pumps, dialysis and X-ray machines, and more. As one of the major hospitals in the area, UTH only possessed 10 infant incubators for the thousands of babies it treats each year. World Help, in partnership with LEPP, was able to transfer an additional five incubators to help the hospital care for the most vulnerable patients which are newborns. Additionally, LEPP transfers of vital signs monitors have proven to be of great benefit to UTH as the hospital had only two monitors to serve an average of 60 babies in the mother and baby ward.

A large hand-over ceremony was conducted at UTH, demonstrating the good will of the American people.

Additionally, Mehboob CharityVision-Pakistan, in collaboration with LEPP's partner Deseret International Foundation, has benefited from LEPP transfers of ophthalmic equipment for its Satellite Optometry Clinic Havelian in Pakistan. Recent studies in Pakistan have found that there is an inextricable link between blindness and poverty: the prevalence of total blindness in poor areas was more than three times of that in affluent areas. Studies have also found that 20 million people in Pakistan have visual impairment of which 4 million are children. Mehboob CharityVision works to ensure everyone can be treated for eye issues. With the help of property donated through LEPP, Mehboob CharityVision has provided eye consultations, low vision assessments, and community pharmacy and optical services. In addition, Mehboob CharityVision conducted more than 200 outreach eye camps to provide health care in the community for conditions including refractive error and cataracts, and conducted 60 sessions to train teachers how to screen children in schools. Year to date, Mehboob CharityVision was able to provide eye care services to more than 150,000 people due to LEPP donations.

Another Deseret International Foundation partner, Mabuhay Deseret Foundation in the Philippines, has also benefited from LEPP donations. Mabuhay Deseret Foundation maintains recovery houses and partners with local doctors and hospitals to facilitate life-changing surgeries and procedures for those without medical insurance and financial resources. The life-changing surgeries include cleft surgeries to restore dignity, eye surgeries to restore independence, and clubfoot correction and prosthetic legs to restore mobility.

Furthermore, Mabuhay Deseret Foundation was able to extend their services to more patients and furnish their recuperative houses where patients stay during treatment. This is an important benefit to patients as they are far from home and traveling to and from the hospital is extremely taxing and expensive. Moreover, a place for patients to stay during pre, intra, and post treatment helps them recover faster. Patients may stay at recuperative houses anywhere from several days to a year, depending on the severity of their cases. In addition, through the transfer of property donations through LEPP, the Philippine Orthopedic Center in Manila was able to create a minor operating room within the ER that performs more than 100 additional surgeries per month. LEPP donations also helped Mabuhay Deseret Philippines to improve their services, replace outdated equipment, provide vital medical supplies, and increase their outreach to underserved areas, including Zamboanga, Sulu, Marawi, Cotabato, and the Islands of Culion and Coron. In addition, with donations received through LEPP, Mabuhay assisted in providing other organizations with items such as corrective shoes for hundreds of clubfoot patients.

In FY 2020, LEPP donations benefited 51 partner hospitals and clinics, served 5,454 patients, enabled 2,509 surgeries/treatments, supported the screening of 6,439 patients, and helped dispense 2,709 pairs of eyeglasses.



World Help's national partner (middle) and team in front of the University Teaching Hospital before the handover of LEPP medical equipment.



Mabuhay Deseret Foundation provides clubfoot correction with the help of LEPP donations.

## Program Highlights:

### LEPP provides access to scarce physical capital

LEPP provides access to resources that are not readily available or affordable to many institutions in developing countries working in the areas of health, agriculture, and education. For instance, property donations made through LEPP are being used to support health care professionals in providing rehabilitative care and more accurate patient assessments for three hospitals in Jamaica: The Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre, the Bustamante Children's Hospital, and the Annotto Bay Hospital.

### Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre

The Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre in Kingston, Jamaica is the only one of its kind in the entire English-speaking Caribbean. It specializes in rehabilitative care that requires physiotherapy interventions for spinal cord injuries, fractures, and strokes. The Rehabilitation Centre sees a minimum of 90 patients monthly and each patient is selected after being placed on a waiting list. The Centre treats patients regardless of their socio-economic status.

The Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre received a state-of-the-art ergometer through Food For The Poor in partnership with LEPP. The machine serves multiple purposes, helping to stimulate muscles and increase movement in patients who suffer from osteoarthritis of the knees as well as those who have decreased movement in their lower limbs.

Suzanne Harris-Henry, the head of the physiotherapist unit at the Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre is grateful for the ergometer. "When I saw the machine, I was extremely happy because the one we did have was down for over a year. We have tried over the last couple of years to get it repaired, however, it was constantly breaking down." She explains how the ergometer, which promotes motions similar to riding a bike, boosts general health and wellness and stimulates affected areas. She adds, "We see an average of 90 patients per month and I'd say approximately half of them use it every day."

Mr. Moulton, a patient of the Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre expressed his appreciation to LEPP and Food For The Poor: "To the donors, I just want to say thank you for this machine and I hope you continue to help institutions like Sir John Golding because it is very helpful for our recovery."



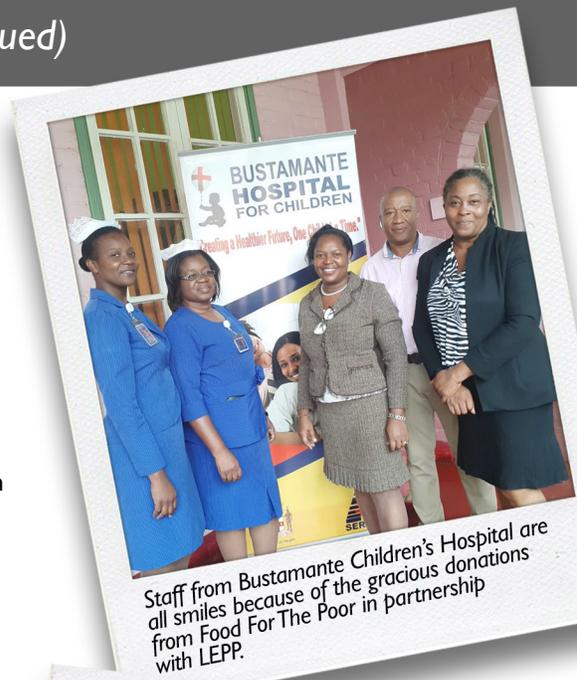
*Mr. Moulton, a patient of the Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre, shown using the ergometer donated by Food For The Poor in partnership with LEPP.*

## Program Highlights:

### The Bustamante Children's Hospital

The Bustamante Children's Hospital in Kingston, Jamaica is the only hospital in the English-speaking Caribbean that serves pediatric patients exclusively. The hospital treats over 50,000 children yearly from infancy through 12 years of age. The most prominent health issues treated are gastroenteritis and seasonal respiratory illnesses.

The Bustamante Children's Hospital received four examination tables and a storage cabinet through Food For The Poor in partnership with LEPP. The tables were placed in critical areas of the Oncology Unit, the Burn Unit, and throughout a medical ward. Examination tables are an essential resource for the hospital as they allow for the safe and thorough assessment of patients, and the cabinets are used to store critical items such as intravenous fluids for the ward. According to CEO Camille Wallen-Panton, the donations came just in time as they had previously requested equipment from the government that had not yet arrived.



Staff from Bustamante Children's Hospital are all smiles because of the gracious donations from Food For The Poor in partnership with LEPP.

### The Annotto Bay Hospital

The Annotto Bay Hospital in Annotto Bay, St. Mary, Jamaica is the largest medical facility in the parish of St. Mary. The hospital primarily sees patients who suffer from strokes, heart attacks, respiratory illnesses, and motor vehicle accident injuries. Each year, the Annotto Bay Hospital's emergency department sees more than 25,000 patients and approximately 10,500 of those patients receive admission. The hospital also handles about 45,000 outpatient treatments, delivers more than 1,000 babies, and performs over 1,000 surgeries.

The Annotto Bay Hospital received a mobile X-ray Viewer through Food For The Poor in partnership with LEPP. The machine is used to properly view X-rays in order to obtain accurate results, administer proper care, and increase the quality of follow-up visits to determine how well patients are responding to treatment. The X-ray Viewer is used approximately 70 times a day in all the hospital's clinics, particularly its orthopedic clinic.

Mr. Delroy Morgan, CEO of Annotto Bay Hospital, is beyond grateful to LEPP and its partner Food For The Poor for the donation. "A minute or a couple of seconds are important in the world of medicine. Having our doctors travelling around searching for a good light source to view an X-ray is often too time-consuming and the results are not always accurate," he says. "My vision for us is to be best in class. We want to compare ourselves to hospitals around the world and that means we need resources. Thankfully, donors like Food For The Poor and USAID/LEPP understand this and are helping us to get there with the donations we receive. On behalf of the entire staff at Annotto Bay Hospital, we want to say thank you very much, because you are helping us to deliver quality patient care to all who visit here."



CEO Mr. Delroy Morgan of the Annotto Bay Hospital (second from left) shown in a photo with his staff who are all grateful for the X-ray Viewer donation.

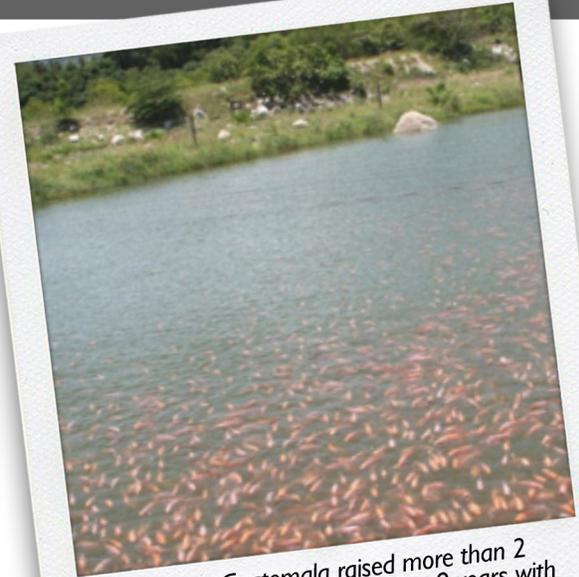
Doctor Kemoi Brown, a medical intern at Annotto Bay Hospital, is equally enthusiastic about the X-ray Viewer, which he also calls a light or view box. He explains that when a patient comes in with a fracture and needs an orthopedic consult or a patient has a lung pathology, the X-ray Viewer helps them to see the problem and gives them a better idea of how to proceed with treatment. Thanking LEPP and Food For The Poor, he says "Now that we have this light box, doing the work is much more comfortable and easier and I love the fact that it [the X-ray Viewer] is mobile. ... This has definitely benefited our patients as their waiting period has decreased and we are more accurate in giving them the information needed."

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## Program Highlights:

**LEPP donations are used to support smart, flexible agricultural projects that advance global food security**

It's been 9 years since equipment from USAID's LEPP program enabled 20 fish farms in Guatemala to raise tilapia in the winter months and increase production to more than 2 million pounds of fish – in and out of season. The fish farms – affiliated with the humanitarian organization World Help – received sewage ejectors and tanks through LEPP that were re-engineered to heat and cool water to appropriate temperatures during harsher months when farmers are unable to farm tilapia. The smart, flexible, and creative solutions were implemented by local stakeholders who were actively engaged in the planning and implementation of the aid program. The results are tangible.



Fish farms in Guatemala raised more than 2 million pounds of tilapia in the last 9 years with property received from World Help in partnership with LEPP

- Since the project began in 2011, 2 million people have been positively impacted.
- Year-to-date, more than 95,000 people have been positively impacted in 2020. (Extreme drought since 2017 caused a 50% reduction in production).
- More than 2.3 million pounds of tilapia have been produced in the past 9 years as a direct result of the property received from USAID/LEPP.

## Success Stories:

### Halima – Tanzania

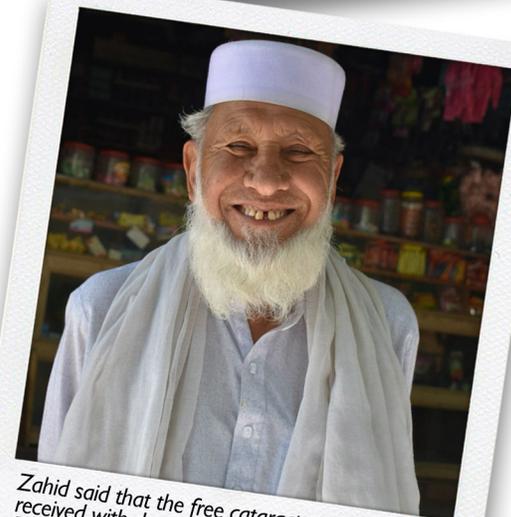
Halima lives in a small village in Tanzania with her niece. About 5 years ago, Halima started going blind. She developed bilateral cataracts and became totally dependent on her niece. Little things, like getting out of bed, became very difficult for her. When she became completely blind, she felt like she was in a deep sleep waiting to be awakened. Halima felt horrible because her niece had to put her schooling on hold to help her. "I just want to be independent again. I was independent my whole life, but now I feel totally useless." Halima's nightmare ended when Deseret International Foundation offered her a free surgery with ophthalmic equipment obtained through LEPP. Halima finally felt free from her burdens. Now she can be independent, and her niece can go back to school. One cataract surgery can be life-changing for the person receiving it, but it affects family members and friends as well.



Halima regained her independence after receiving free cataract surgery with equipment donated by Deseret International Foundation in partnership with LEPP.

### Zahid – Pakistan

Zahid is a proud shop owner in Pakistan. The shop belonged to his father and was passed down to Zahid when he became of age. He has put an enormous amount of energy and passion into keeping his father's legacy alive. A few years back, Zahid developed cataracts which interfered with managing the day to day operations of his shop. He began to misplace items and accounting became almost impossible for him to keep up with on his own. Customers lost their patience with Zahid and stopped going to his shop. Zahid feared he would have to close his shop for good and felt he was letting both himself and his father down. Thankfully, Deseret International Foundation's partner Dr. Usman provided Zahid a free eye screening and performed a free cataract operation with ophthalmic equipment made possible through LEPP. For Zahid, it was an answer to his prayers.



Zahid said that the free cataract operation he received with donations from Deseret International Foundation in partnership with LEPP was an answer to his prayers.

### Eleuterio – Peru

Eleuterio is from a small pueblo in Cusco. He only speaks Quechua, which is an ancient Peruvian language. He is a widow and has lived by himself now for many years. About 20 years ago, Eleuterio poked his eye with firewood and lost his vision. From that point on, Eleuterio had to learn to do things differently. Although he felt off balance, he was unable to have his cataract removed because he lacked the resources. As time went by, the small things in life became more and more difficult for Eleuterio to manage. He found he could no longer take care of himself and started to forget what life looked like. One day, there was a vision screening in his village and Eleuterio's neighbors brought him to the screening. During the screening, the doctors examined his eyes and immediately scheduled him for a free cataract surgery with ophthalmic equipment made possible through LEPP. When Eleuterio came out of surgery, he couldn't stop smiling. Looking around, he exclaimed: "Wow, I had even forgotten what light looked like."



Eleuterio "...had forgotten what light looked like." He can now resume his regular life after a free cataract surgery with donations from Deseret International Foundation in partnership with LEPP.

## Success Stories:

### LEPP donates hygiene kits

LEPP donates close to 100,000 hygiene kits globally as a first line of defense against illnesses and diseases. For Argentina Garcia and Manuela Garzon, these hygiene kits made a big difference in their quality of life.

### Argentina Garcia – Masaya, Nicaragua

Argentina Garcia is 68 years old and suffers from diabetes and hypertension. Argentina lives alone, relying on her neighbors to give her food and help take care of her. For several months she has abandoned treatment for her basic pathologies because she has no one to accompany her to a health center.

Argentina lives in the community called La Ciebita in Masaya. The conditions of her home are precarious; there is no electricity or drinking water and the house is made of zinc sheets. Argentina's house is in urgent need of repairs because when it rains the water seeps into her home.

World Help in partnership with LEPP provided Argentina with hygiene kits to assist her with basic necessities and help protect her from further illness. In addition, a mattress was donated through the program so that she could have a proper place to rest.

### Manuela Garzon – Los Alvarez, Boaco, Nicaragua

Manuela Garzon is 80 years old and suffers from chronic diseases. She also has a cleft lip palate which has been a great source of humiliation. Due to this defect, she has suffered both physical and emotional abuse. Manuela lives in Los Alvarez, Boaco, Nicaragua with her brother, who is also elderly. Their home is in desperate need of repair: when it rains, their house gets filled with water. Because of her advanced age, Manuela cannot work and many days she and her brother have nothing to eat. Through World Help, in partnership with LEPP, Manuela received hygiene kits that included personal care items she never had before. With tears in her eyes, she said, "Thank you very much for this support. I am happy because today I have received things that in my 80 years, I never thought I would have."

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— *Manuela Garzon*

### Sushmita – Kathmandu, Nepal

Sushmita lives in Kathmandu, Nepal and came to Lamjung Community Hospital for the delivery of her baby. As there were complications, Sushmita had an emergency cesarean section performed and was transferred onto a stretcher provided by World Help in partnership with LEPP. During a difficult moment in Sushmita's life, something as simple as a stretcher to support her to receive the care she needed made all the difference. This is just one of the many stories we hear from those who are benefiting from LEPP donations all around the world.



The food and hygiene kit Argentina received with donations from World Help in partnership with LEPP provided her with the basic supplies she needed.



Manuela received personal care items she never thought she would own through World Help donations in partnership with LEPP.



Sushmita lying comfortably after her cesarean delivery in a stretcher donated by World Help in partnership with LEPP.



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