

Alongside Hope issues urgent appeal for partners hurt by aid cuts

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In the wake of massive cuts to international development assistance by the U.S. Government and some European governments, Alongside Hope partners are reporting that progress is being undone, programs are being forced to shut down, and families and communities are living in uncertainty about their futures.

The damage done is staggering. We cannot possibly fill all the gaps, but to maintain as many vital programs as possible, Alongside Hope is launching an urgent appeal to donors. Your support of the “Resilience Fund” will allow Alongside Hope to provide partners with additional support for refugees, HIV-related needs and for women recovering from gender-based-violence. These include:

Tanzania

Families supported by Church World Service who were preparing for a new life in the United States and had already left the Nyarugushu Refugee camp and given away their possessions were forced to return to the camp with nothing, their dreams of resettlement shattered with the suspension of the US Refugee Resettlement Program.

Kenya

- Children are already missing life-saving anti-retroviral medications. And their caregivers are no longer receiving vital support.
- 42 staff at National Council of Churches Kenya who were providing youth mentorship programming and support for school fees have been laid off, affecting 8,000 youth and 8,000 orphans and vulnerable children.
- Children are no longer able to attend school.

Mozambique

A five-year program with partner EHALE that was improving maternal health services and access to health care for young mothers was forced to shut down.

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Plans for a program with the Panzi Foundation that would have brought dignity to women recovering from gender-based violence have been shelved.

Haiti

Medical services and referrals for community members working with Rayjon Share Care are not being provided due to cuts to hospitals that had been receiving USAID supplies.

How you can help

Please pray for everyone who is affected by these devastating funding cuts. You can support Alongside Hope partners by donating to the **Resilience Fund** online, or by phone at 1-866-308-7973. Or you can mail a cheque to Alongside Hope, 80 Hayden Street, 3rd Floor, Toronto, ON, Canada, M4Y 3G2. Please indicate “Resilience Fund” in the memo field.

Learn more about the Resilience Fund and how you can advocate for increased aid spending.

Wednesday, April 2 at 1 p.m. ET, #Aid Works webinar

You are invited to join Alongside Hope for a Zoom webinar about the impacts USAID cuts are having on our partners, what Alongside Hope is doing to respond, and what you can do to support our partners in this election season and beyond.

Register for the webinar