

## OVER 1 BILLION CHILDREN LIVING IN RURAL AREAS DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO BASIC EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE.

The Children of Armenia Fund (COAF) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that uses community-led approaches to reducing rural poverty, with a particular focus on children. Since its inception in 2004, COAF has funded and implemented education, health, social, economic and infrastructure programs serving more than 25,000 people in rural villages of Armenia. Each person impacted represents one of the more than one billion people living in poverty, and the methods used in Armenia can be replicated in other impoverished communities, where children are most vulnerable.



## GLOBAL POVERTY FACTS:

MORE THAN 1.9 BILLION CHILDREN LIVE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND OVER 1 BILLION OF THOSE CHILDREN DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO BASIC EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE.

75% OF THE WORLD'S POOREST WOMEN, CHILDREN AND MEN LIVE IN RURAL AREAS AND DEPEND ON AGRICULTURE FOR THEIR LIVELIHOOD.

NEARLY 22 MILLION CHILDREN IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES STILL SUFFER FROM ILLNESSES CAUSED BY PREVENTABLE DISEASES.

HEALTH FACILITIES IN REMOTE VILLAGES ARE UNABLE TO FUNCTION PROPERLY BECAUSE THEY LACK ESSENTIAL MEDICINES, WATER, ELECTRICITY, AND A TRAINED STAFF OF DOCTORS AND NURSES.

THE LACK OF ACCESS TO EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE MEANS THAT THE CYCLE OF POVERTY WILL CONTINUE, UNLESS WE MOBILIZE PROVEN SOLUTIONS.

## SOLUTIONS

COAF has dramatically improved the lives of children in rural communities by implementing sustainable solutions and opportunities for the future. COAF provides access to clean water, electricity, gas and roadways, as well as other essential resources including schools, health clinics and community centers. Other steps include rehabilitating irrigation networks, providing technical training, maternal care and nutrition education. Eliminating extreme poverty is achievable through a high impact, community-led approach that stresses local-level ownership.

# 100%

### 100% OF PUBLIC DONATIONS GO TO FUNDING PROGRAMS

The COAF Board of Directors supports all administrative costs of running the organization. As a result, 100% of public donations are able to directly fund programs that benefit children.

## TAKE ACTION

### HELPING IN THE FIGHT AGAINST GLOBAL POVERTY

By leveraging proven interventions in Armenia, COAF's formula for reducing rural poverty can be applied to remote communities in developing countries where extreme poverty continues to adversely affect the development of children.

### SELECT PARTNERSHIPS

Much of what COAF has been able to achieve has been the result of important partnerships. The following is a sample of the many organizations, foundations and companies that have partnered with COAF to help create a positive impact on the lives of children in rural villages.



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