



ANNUAL REPORT 2018

To partners, collaborators, patients, caregivers and advocates

While many aspects of the transition from NHPCO continued into 2018, Global Partners in Care (GPIC) also found solid footing with our current partnerships and programs and began developing new ones. John Mastrojohn, former GPIC Executive Director and current Executive Vice President and COO of NHPCO, continues to support GPIC on our esteemed Advisory Council, along with many other leaders in the global hospice and palliative care community. We are incredibly grateful to this group of experts who lend their time and talent to GPIC.

Our Partnership Program, guided by the belief that individuals and organizations can make substantial and meaningful impact to enhance hospice and palliative care, continues to be a cornerstone of GPIC. Key activities between partners include shared projects, expanding training opportunities, and exchange visits which truly deepen the relationship and sharing between organizations. According to Catherine Hamel, MA, Executive Director of Gilchrist Hospice Care, "The partnership with Nkoranga Hospice in Africa has made us a better hospice. We have learned the meaning of humility and grace. We are reminded of how powerful it is to make the most of everything you have and how little we actually need to make a meaningful difference in the lives of others." GPIC currently has 41 partnerships that are actively working together to enhance palliative care in 12 countries. The US partners come from 20 different states and are mostly twinned with organizations in Sub-Saharan Africa. GPIC has worked to strengthen the support given to these partnerships and we have also developed a strategy to recruit more partner organizations from not only the US, but other high-income countries as well. Since 2004, more than 5.5 million dollars has been sent directly to support hospice and palliative care organizations in Africa, India, and Nepal.

Recognizing the important role that research and education play in enhancing hospice and palliative care services, GPIC is growing our efforts in these areas. In 2018, we worked with students and faculty from Oxford University, the University of Notre Dame, and the University of Alberta. We established

an internship program that welcomed four students from these universities in 2018. Student interns worked with GPIC in several different capacities: conducting or supporting research, providing technical support to our partners around the globe, and working with us in our headquarters in Mishawaka, Indiana.

Deepening our collaboration with the African Palliative Care Association (APCA) has been a focal point in 2018. Since the launch of the African Palliative Care Education Scholarship Fund for Nurses and Social Workers in 2011, we have supported the training of 23 nurses and seven social workers from across the continent. In 2018, recipients included: two nurses from Uganda and Kenya who are doing an advanced diploma in palliative care, and one nurse from Togo who was part of a larger team from the Togo Ministry of Health and Social Protection (MoHSP). Funding this third scholarship was a unique request from APCA that we felt was worth supporting. APCA is working in partnership with the Togo MoHSP to support the integration of palliative care in Togo's health system, starting with the National Referral Hospital in Lome. Projects like these are truly targeting the areas of greatest need in palliative care.

2018 was a very important year for GPIC to establish strong foundations and collaborations as we look ahead to 2019 and beyond. Many thanks to all of you, for whatever role you played in our success this year. As we continue to work with our partners around the globe, we look forward to exploring new collaborations that share our mission to enhance access to palliative care around the world. Thank you for your ongoing interest and support!

With gratitude,



Mark M Murray
President / CEO
Global Partners in Care

ABOUT US

VISION:

We envision a world where individuals and families facing serious illness, death, and grief have access to essential services that afford comfort and dignity – which are human rights.

MISSION:

Global Partners in Care supports compassionate care where the need is great and resources are few by enhancing access to hospice and palliative care worldwide.

OUR WORK:

Global Partners in Care supports access to compassionate care by establishing collaborative partnerships, supporting research and education, and raising awareness of the global need for access to essential hospice and palliative care services. Driving all of our efforts is an unwavering commitment to extending compassion and reducing suffering among those in need.

Partnerships: Our Partnership Program enables US Partners working in hospice and palliative care to engage with sister organizations in low-resource settings. We welcome organizations of any type to participate in our partnership program.

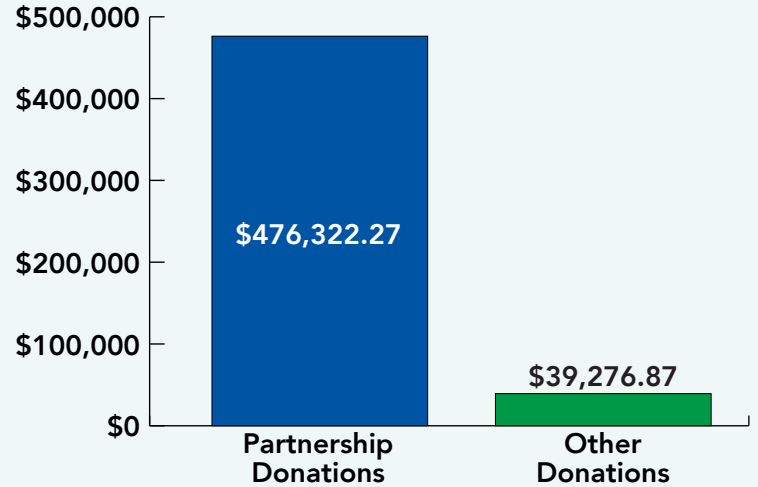
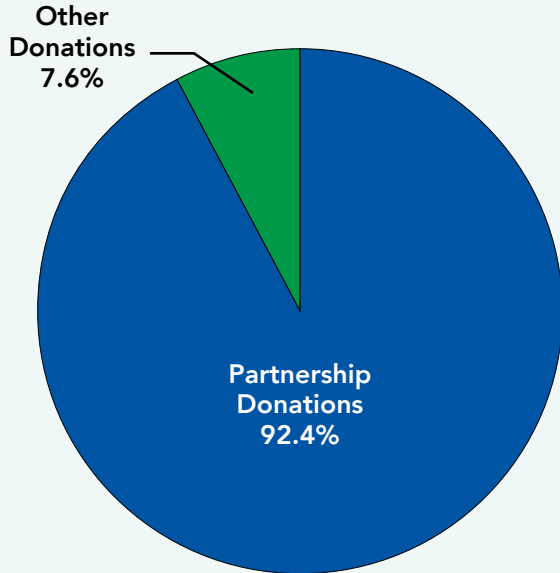
Research and Education: Global Partners in Care recognizes advancing research and growing opportunities for learning are important aspects of enhancing access to quality palliative care worldwide.

Global Collaboration: We are committed to working collaboratively with our partnership organizations, national associations, and the many important international organizations working to enhance access to hospice and palliative care around the world.

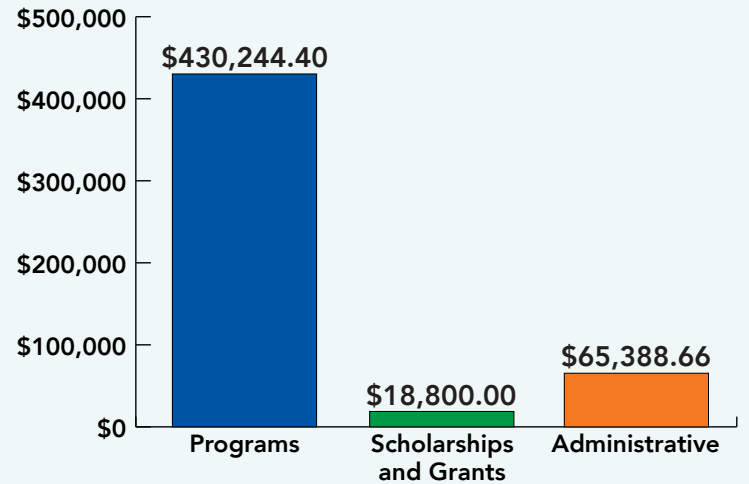
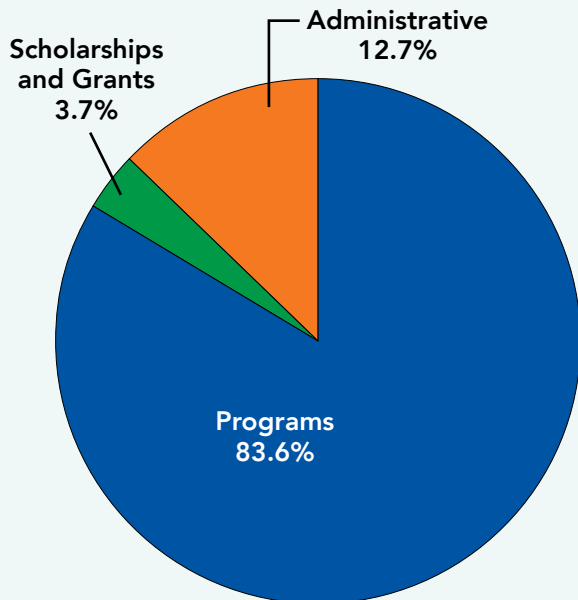


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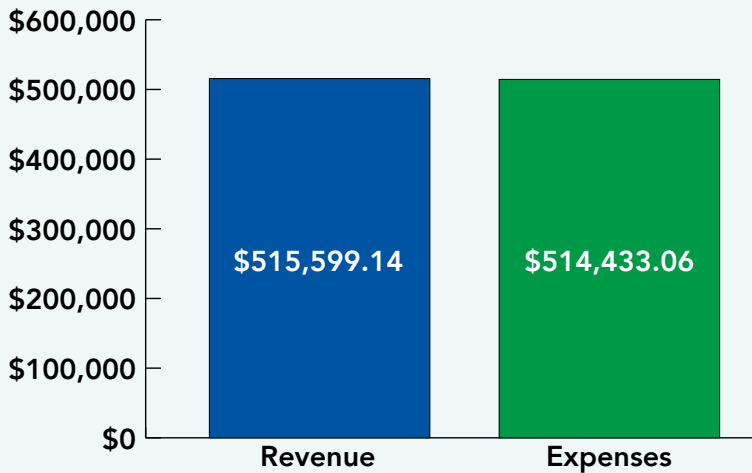


2018 EXPENSES





TOTAL REVENUE VS. TOTAL EXPENSES



"As important as the money is (and the US dollar does go a long way here), that is not the most important thing in a partnership. It's the sharing and the experience. There is great value in exchanging mindsets. We learn by experiencing the different setting, the scale of work, the financial differences...and we see that we are all doing the same thing with the same heart. The work we do is all with the end goal of palliative care for the patient."

**Gail Sykes, CEO
Helderberg Hospice, South Africa
2018 Global Partnership Award Winner
with Hospice of the Western Reserve**

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PARTNER IMPACT STORY

Nkhoma Hospital (Malawi) and Hospice of the North Coast (California)

The story of Hospice of the North Coast's (HNC's) partnership with Nkhoma Hospital in Malawi started in 2016 over a video conference call. This call launched a number of collaborative activities and the development of friendships and a partnership has blossomed over the past few years. HNC has undertaken fundraising efforts to help support the palliative care work of the team at Nkhoma Hospital including tuition support for Nkhoma Hospital's Assistant Medical Officer, Sam Kabota, MD, to advance his palliative care training through a three-year degree. Dr. Kabota will soon complete this program.



The partners made an early commitment to visit each other to learn more about one another. Initially, HNC Executive Director Sharon Lutz and three other HNC staff flew to Malawi to understand and learn about palliative care practice in this new setting. Lutz claims that they "made small changes that reaped significant benefits," like adjusting administration



times for certain medications. The staff on both sides were energized by the visit and several months later, Dr. Kabota and two other staff visited HNC in San Diego. For two weeks, the team attended meetings, medical trainings, and observing the day-to-day work at HNC. While Dr. Kabota and team received information on innovative treatments for pervasive diseases in Malawi, like liver disease, HIV/AIDS and common cancers, Lutz's team received hands on advice about ingenuity in care and resilience of workers. This exchange of knowledge from both partners helps each to better serve their patients and patient families. Learn more about this partnership story from the beginning, which can be found at hospicenorthcoast.org/global-partnership-story.

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