



ANNUAL REPORT 2021



Dear partners, friends and colleagues,

We continue to be inspired and awed by our partners' work to increase access to palliative care, particularly as the COVID-19 pandemic – and in some cases, natural disasters – throw new challenges their way. Their ingenuity, resourcefulness and determination to support their patients continue to be nothing short of heroic.

One partnership that exemplified this heroic dedication to palliative care patients are the winners of our 2021 Global Partnership Award, Hospice of the North Coast in California and Nkhoma Mission Hospital in Malawi. Partners since 2015, leaders from both organizations feel their partnership deepened during the COVID-19 pandemic. Hospice of the North Coast has shown what a tremendous impact one partnership can have in the delivery of palliative care. The long-term commitment they have made to Nkhoma Mission Hospital has made a lasting effect on the patients and their families in their community who need palliative care. In learning about the award, Dr. Sam Kabota, clinical superintendent/elective coordinator at Nkhoma said, "There's an African proverb: if you want to go fast, go alone. But if you want to go far, then go with others... we have chosen to go far with Hospice of the North Coast in these troubled times of cyclones, COVID-19 and extreme poverty amongst our palliative care patients and their guardians."

Sharon Lutz, executive director of Hospice of the North Coast, accepted the 2021 Global Partnership Award in April



at the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization's Leadership and Advocacy Conference. We were pleased to see a number of our US partners at the conference as well. Thank you to all who stopped by our booth to give us updates, learn more about our work or just say hello. It was great to see you in person again!

We are extremely fortunate to have an engaged, knowledgeable Advisory Council to provide expertise and mentorship in helping us fulfil our mission. Members of the council offer insight and expert advice in our strategy and operations. We offer our heartfelt thanks to Sharon and Lori Williams who rolled off the council at the end of 2021. And we are pleased to welcome Paul Z. Mmbando, MD, MPH, programs director, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania; Professor Olaitan Soyannwo, MBBS, DA, MMed, FWACS, FICS, FAS, FNAMed, president, Centre for Palliative Care Nigeria, professor of anesthesia, consultant anesthesia, pain and palliative care; and Joanne Rosen, chief marketing & public affairs officer, Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice to the Advisory Council.

In closing, please accept our thanks to all of you, for whatever role you played in continuing to enhance access to palliative care under difficult circumstances. Your compassion, dedication and advocacy for those in need of compassionate care continues to inspire us. We appreciate 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 partnerships, supporting research and education and working collaboratively to raise awareness of the global need for access to essential hospice and palliative care services.

Partnerships: Our Partnership Program matches and supports like-minded organizations working to enhance palliative care in the US with those in low-resource settings.

Research and Education: We collaborate with institutes of higher education to advance research and grow opportunities for learning in palliative care.

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



PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM

Our Partnership Program is guided by the belief that individuals and organizations can make substantial and meaningful impact to enhance hospice and palliative care where the need is great. Each partnership is unique and GPIC supports organizations in developing, deepening and sustaining meaningful partnerships through individual and group consultations with GPIC staff, a library of resources and mentorship and guidance as needed. GPIC maintains direct relationships with relevant regional and national entities that support the work of partners such as the African Palliative Care Association (APCA) and national palliative care associations.



Two New Partnerships Formed

We were pleased to welcome two new partnerships in 2021 – Hinds Hospice (California) and Hospice Africa Uganda (HAU) became partners in February; Hospice of Michigan and the Palliative Care Association of Malawi (PACAM) were partnered in December. Hinds Hospice will be supporting HAU's work in morphine production, treating patients and running education programs for healthcare workers throughout Africa. HAU has three sites in Uganda – the capital city, Kampala, as well as smaller sites in Hoima and Mbarara. Its teams of doctors, nurses, drivers, pharmacists and administrators run daily drop-in clinics, make home visits and operate daycare and outreach programs.

Key activities between partners include shared projects, expanding training and educational opportunities and learning from each other through exchange visits. Over the past two decades, GPIC and its partners have touched the lives of millions of individuals and families affected by AIDS, cancer and other serious illnesses. Since 2004, GPIC and US partners have sent nearly \$7.1 million (USD) to support the vital palliative care work of our partners on the ground.



The Palliative Care Association of Malawi is the third national association to be partnered through GPIC. PACAM supports, develops and promotes affordable and culturally appropriate palliative care throughout the country. Their achievements include providing palliative care training for more than 1,000 health professionals, developing national palliative care policies, providing courses on pain management using opioids and establishing a drug task force to oversee opioid management.

GLOBAL PALLIATIVE CARE HEROES: SUPERHERO ATTITUDE, SUPERHUMAN EFFORT

In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, we did not award our 2020 Global Partnership Award to a single organization. Instead, we decided to honor and acknowledge our many partners who tirelessly worked for their patients during the pandemic. Palliative care providers were not only an essential service, but also another layer of support for patients and families as they navigated their serious illness during the restrictions imposed during the pandemic.

Our "Palliative Care Heroes" campaign was designed to recognize and celebrate the superhuman contributions that palliative care workers make to improve the quality of living (and dying), particularly their tremendous, tireless work during the COVID-19 pandemic. They have shown up for their patients and their colleagues with a superhero attitude and superhuman effort! The goal of this campaign was to simply say, 'thank you' to the estimated 400,000 health care workers and 1.2 million volunteers delivering palliative care globally. This aligned with the World Health Organization's designation of 2021 as the "Year of the Health and Care Workers." Our goal was to amplify the message of gratitude for these often-unsung palliative care heroes.

Between March and September, we had over 100 global palliative care hero posts on social media as individuals and organizations thanked the palliative care heroes in their lives.



EDUCATION AND RESEARCH

Global Partners in Care is committed to supporting research and education in global palliative care, and our work in this area continues to grow. In 2021, the pandemic continued to pose unique challenges to engaging students as we have in the past. Student interns typically work with GPIC in several different capacities: conducting or supporting research, supporting program activities or providing technical support to our partners around the globe and working with us in our headquarters in Mishawaka. Despite travel cancellations, we continued to work virtually with students and faculty on a variety of topics related to palliative care including: mHealth and data collection in Uganda, mental health challenges of palliative care providers in Uganda during COVID-19, the challenge of breaking bad news to patients and families in Malawi and mapping palliative care research across Africa. Partner universities included Makerere University, Kamuzu University of Health Sciences, Oxford University Blavatnik School of Government and the University of Notre Dame.

African Palliative Care Education Scholarship Fund for Nurses and Social Workers

As part of our mission to expand the availability of hospice and palliative care in Africa and worldwide, Global Partners in Care and the African Palliative Care Association provide education scholarships to further the knowledge and skills of African nurses and social workers in the provision of palliative care. GPIC awarded 13 scholarships in 2021 – 11 nursing scholarships and two social work scholarships, representing recipients from both private and government hospitals. Courses of study included six individuals studying for a certificate/short course, five working towards a bachelor's degree or higher diploma and one completing her master's degree. Recipients are from Kenya, Malawi, Tanzania, South Africa, Uganda and Zimbabwe. Sixty-three scholarships have been awarded since the program's inception in 2011.

COLLABORATIONS

American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine

We continued to provide a subset of our partners and collaborators with a membership to AAHPM and act as a facilitator for our members to find maximum value with these memberships. Our expectation is that the person selected to receive this membership will utilize the connections and resources from AAHPM not only to enhance their own palliative care knowledge and efforts, but those of their organization as well. These partners have found value in the membership, particularly in accessing publications, teaching resources and connections made with colleagues online. We held two joint webinars with the Global Special Interest Group of AAHPM which focused on global palliative care updates and engaged our members from various countries.

African Palliative Care Association

While the heart of our work is with partner organizations at the grassroots level, it is very important that we also collaborate with national, regional and global organizations with whom our work and mission overlap. Our strong relationship with the African Palliative Care Association strengthens all of our work to enhance access to palliative care on the continent. Our collaborations are multifaceted and include:

- Joint administration of the African Palliative Care Education Scholarship Fund for Nurses and Social Workers
- Monthly leadership and strategic coaching with Bluegrass Care Navigators
- Project collaboration and joint mentorship for student researchers and interns
- Communication webinar series to help our partners/collaborators share their work and reach more possible partners and supporters with effective communication

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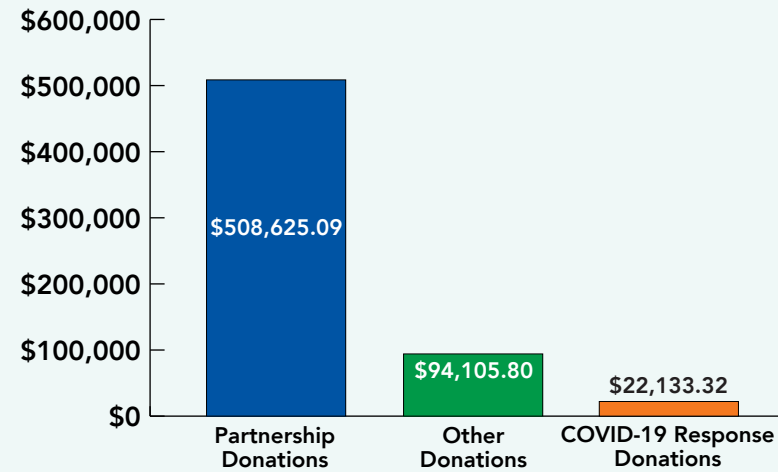
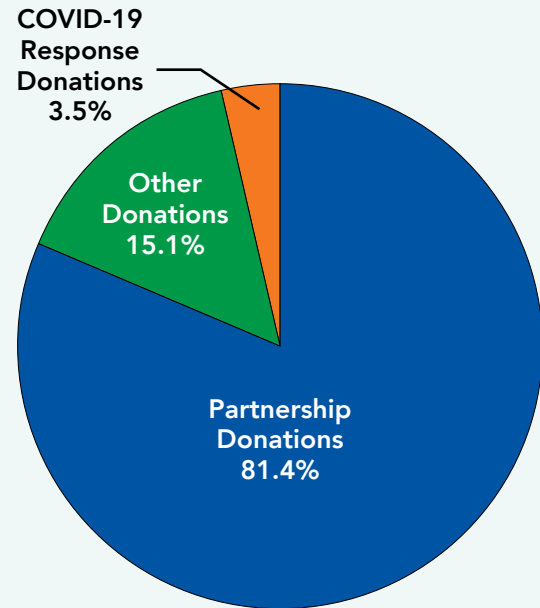
“I am so honored and grateful to have been the recipient of APCA Nurses scholarship award. Thank you once again for awarding me a life-changing opportunity that will make a difference in improving the quality of life of palliative care patients and their families.”

– Jaqueline, nurse from Zimbabwe

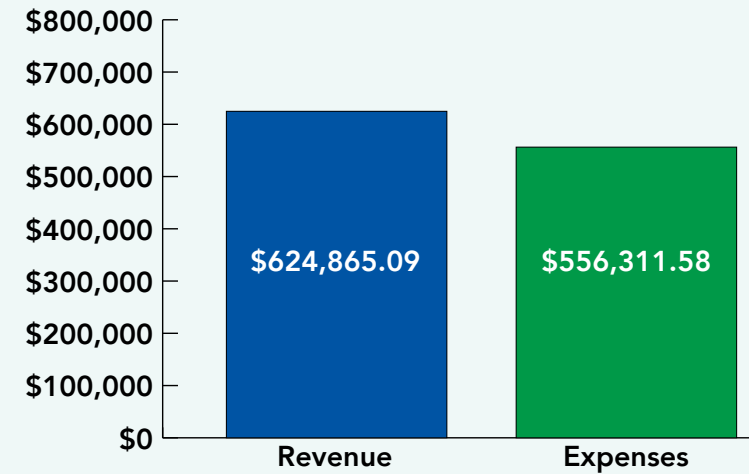


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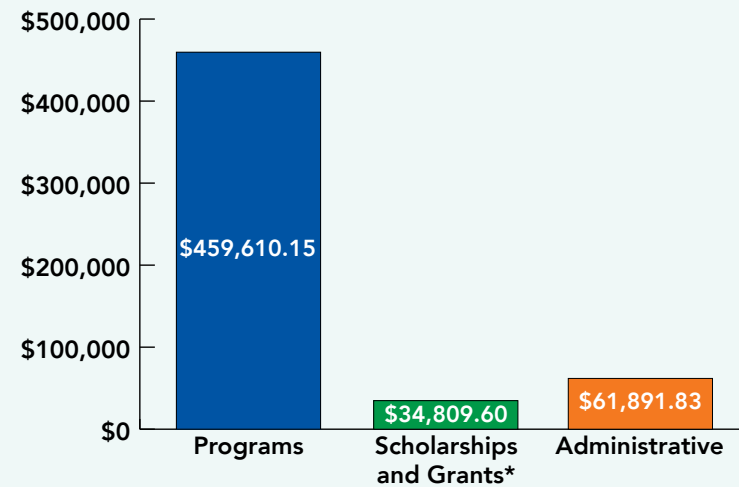
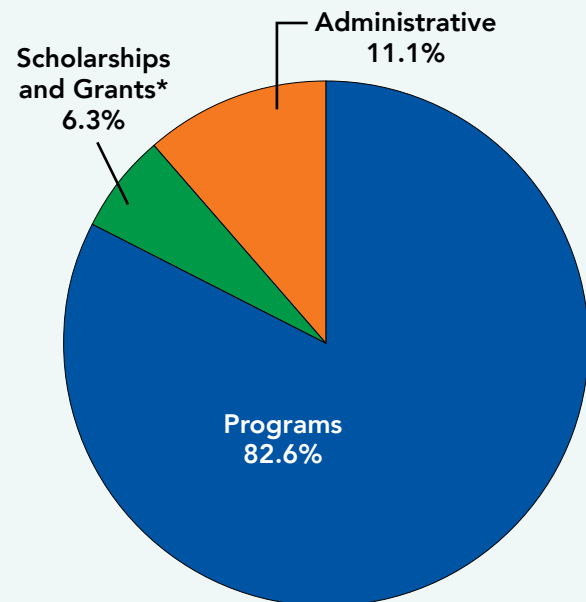
2021 REVENUE



TOTAL REVENUE VS. TOTAL EXPENSES



2021 EXPENSES



* Includes COVID-19 Response Grants

Results of 2021's Independent Audit

In accordance with good fiduciary responsibilities, Center for Hospice Care, Hospice Foundation and Global Partners in Care engaged Kruggel, Lawton & Company LLC to perform the 2021 audit for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The 2021 Independent Auditor's Report states, "In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of The Center for Hospice and Palliative Care, Inc. and Affiliates as of December 31, 2021 and 2020, and the changes in their net assets and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principals generally accepted in the United States of America."



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GPIC is grateful to the many organizations and individuals whose gifts support the important work of our partners. Every contribution makes an impact on the delivery of palliative care where the need is great.

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Your organization can be partnered with a sister organization in a low-resource setting. Not sure how to get started? Contact us and we will be happy to walk you through our simple application process. Other ways of supporting palliative care also available!

SUPPORT THE IMPORTANT WORK OF GPIC FINANCIALLY

- Make a donation at globalpartnersincare.org/donate/
- Participate in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). GPIC's CFC # is 11018.
- Encourage your friends and family to support palliative care where the need is great.

DEEPEN YOUR LEARNING OF GLOBAL PALLIATIVE CARE

Education is part of our mission and members of our team are willing to engage speaking opportunities, guest lectures, etc. Let us know how we can help you!

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