

TRANSFORMING LIVES
BY RESTORING SIGHT

2016 ANNUAL REPORT



A Message from Seva's Executive Director

Dear Friends:

Thirty-eight years ago Seva was founded on the idea that empathy for those who suffer is not enough. Rather, we must act on our impulse to serve through effective and immediate action. Our founders called it "compassion in action" and that guiding principle still drives our work today.

We know from nearly four decades of experience that restoring vision means so much more than giving back sight to those who are blind or visually impaired. It transforms their lives and the lives of their loved ones, and indeed the whole community. Statistics from a study in India show that with restored vision 80% of people resume active lives, engaging in some form of paid employment or otherwise productive work.

Bringing functionality and dignity back to someone who has lost vision is in itself a miraculous gift, but imagine too the joy of seeing your family, home, and the world around you. Recently a grateful cataract patient at a Seva eye camp called us angels. I would argue that it is you, our donors and friends, who are the "angels of sight."

Your partnership and support in the quest to eliminate needless blindness has enabled Seva's network of clinics and partners to reach millions of people with comprehensive eye care, including nearly four million sight-restoring surgeries since 1978. I can't imagine a greater gift. We are deeply grateful for your continued support, which inspires us to use every donation as efficiently and effectively as possible.

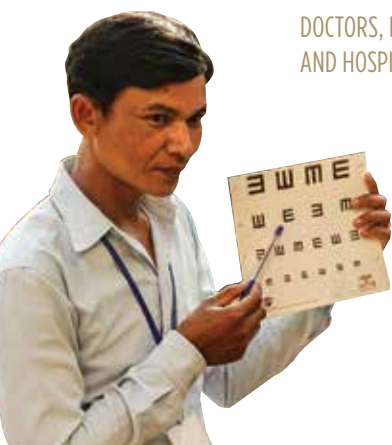
Yours in service,

Jack Blanks
Executive Director



Transforming Lives by Restoring Sight

Seva began our work 38 years ago with a commitment to change the world by eliminating preventable blindness. Our goal is to create a world where no person will lose their vision because they are unable to access affordable eye care. Through cultivating strategic partnerships and using a systems-building approach, Seva and our donors have helped programs in more than 20 countries develop high quality eye care.



THIS FISCAL YEAR



893,746

PEOPLE RECEIVED EYE CARE SCREENINGS AND EXAMS



62,774

PEOPLE WERE PROVIDED SIGHT-RESTORING CATARACT SURGERIES THROUGH SEVA'S PROGRAMS



32,116

PEOPLE RECEIVED SIGHT-SAVING MEDICINES TO PREVENT BLINDNESS



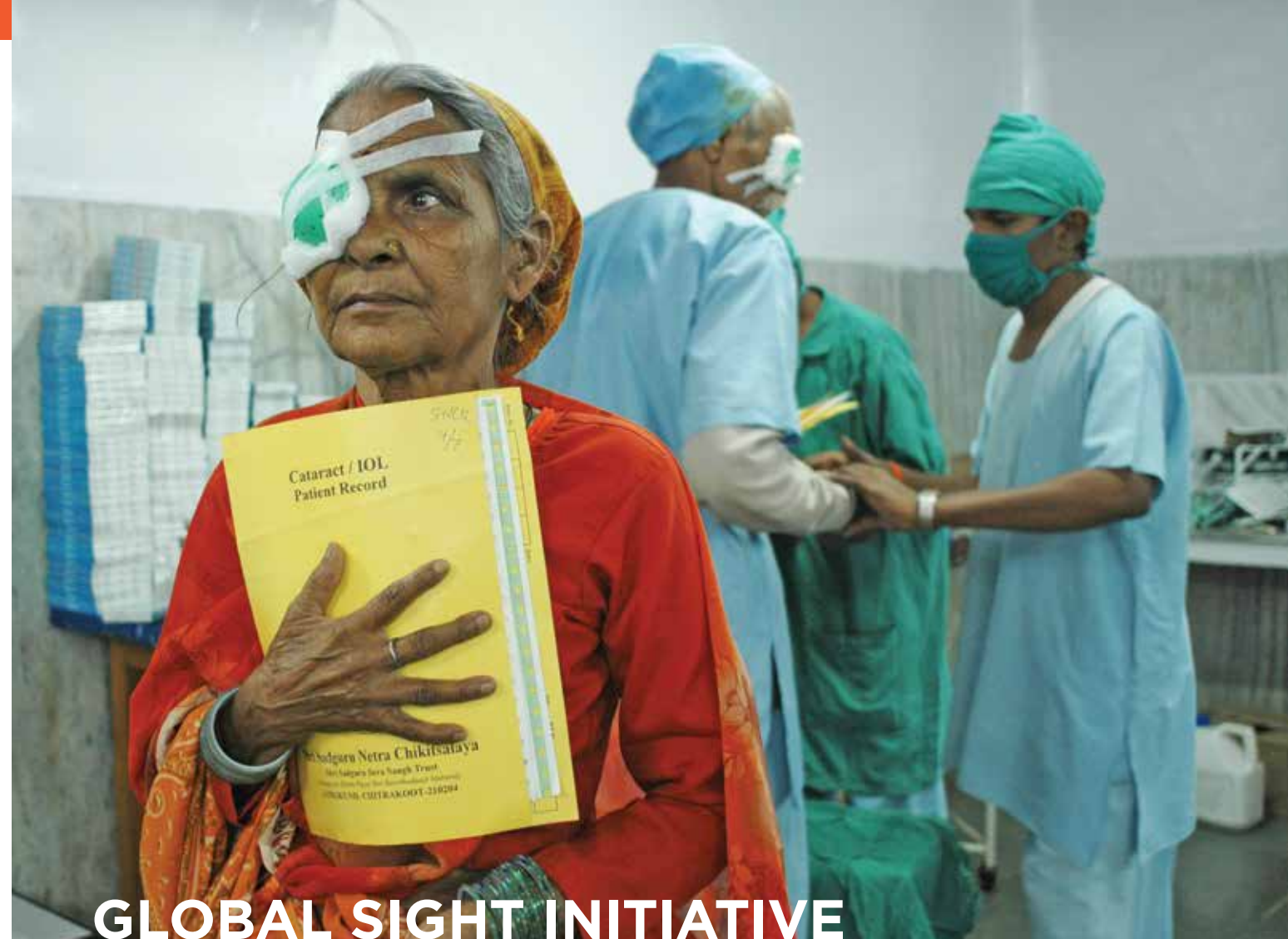
38,280

PEOPLE RECEIVED EYEGLASSES TO CORRECT REFRACTIVE ERROR



4,075

DOCTORS, NURSES, COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS, SCHOOL TEACHERS AND HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS TRAINED



GLOBAL SIGHT INITIATIVE

GLOBAL SIGHT INITIATIVE IS A NETWORK OF HOSPITALS AND INTERNATIONAL NGOs WORKING TOWARDS THE COLLECTIVE GOAL OF RESTORING SIGHT TO AN ADDITIONAL ONE MILLION PATIENTS EACH YEAR STARTING IN 2020.

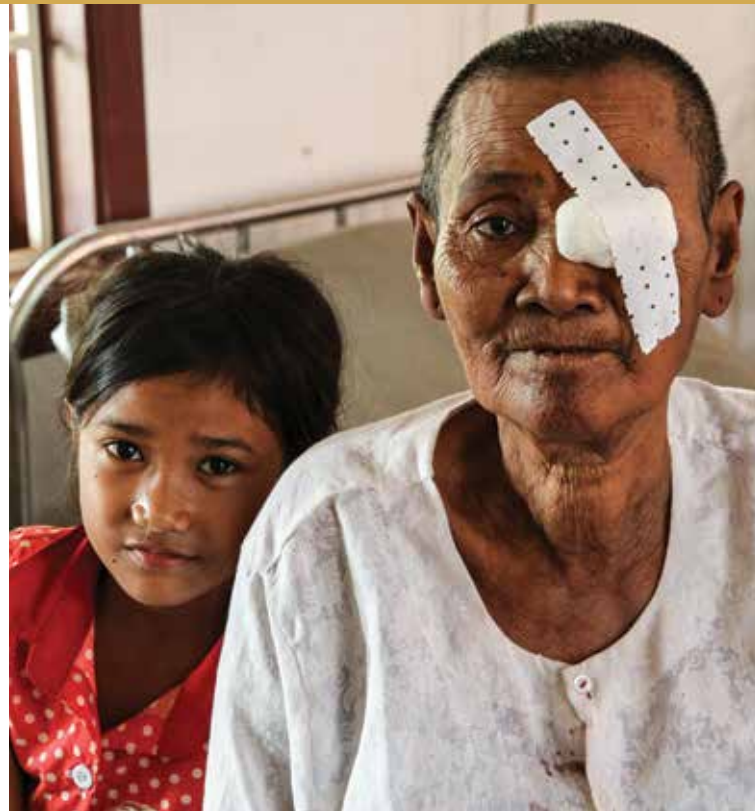
The network strives to eliminate preventable and curable blindness by increasing the productivity of hospitals around the globe. Through capacity building, Seva and partners implement effective practices that expand the availability of high quality and sustainable eye care services.

This fiscal year, the Global Sight Initiative network grew to over 90 hospitals, welcoming 38 new mentee institutions. Ten mentor eye care institutions, located in India, Nepal, Guatemala, Peru and Tanzania provide mentees with training and consultancy services in comprehensive ophthalmology, optometry, vision science and hospital management.

In 2015, thanks to the commitment of Global Sight Initiative network members, mentee hospitals performed an average of 58% more cataract surgeries than they did before joining GSI.



58% INCREASE IN CATARACT SURGERIES



Bridging the Gender Gap

Due to cultural and financial barriers, two out of three people suffering with visual impairment are women or girls. Seva’s outreach programs work diligently to reach this vulnerable population. Of the 893,746 people who received a screening or eye exam, 54% were women and girls.

In addition, Seva also makes gender equality a priority in our training programs. For example, in Nepal, you helped Seva train 1,953 female community health volunteers. The goal of these trainings is to ensure everyone has access to eye care. These female community health volunteers are now providing important services, with a particular focus on increasing the number of women and children who receive the eye care they need. Because of their respected role in bridging people to eye care services, these volunteer women become valued members of their communities.



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IMPROVING ACCESS TO EYE CARE THROUGH TRAINING PROGRAMS

SEVA IS DEDICATED TO INCREASING THE NUMBER OF HIGHLY SKILLED PROFESSIONALS WORKING TO PROVIDE ESSENTIAL EYE CARE.



Saving Sight Through Surgery

The World Health Organization estimates that 80% of all visual impairment can be avoided or cured. This year, you supported sight-saving surgeries for 62,774 children and adults in need. With restored sight, each person—as well as their caretaker—can now return to school or work, helping to break the cycle of poverty.



Eyeglasses, Equipment and Technology

This year, you helped expand Seva’s impact through the donation and distribution of eyeglasses and valuable medical equipment. Together with our corporate partners, thousands of pairs of new eyeglasses were donated, along with \$57,872 in donated equipment to support our programs worldwide.

This year, you supported the training of 4,075 doctors, nurses, community workers, volunteers and support staff. Trainings took place in Bangladesh, Cambodia, India, Nepal, Tibet, and in many other countries where Seva works. Clinical trainings worked to build the skills of surgeons, ophthalmic assistants and vision technicians. Other important trainings focused on counseling, hospital management and data collection.

In the United States, you helped to continue Seva support of an eye care technician-training program for Native American students. This investment promotes local service capacity building as it improves Native American economic opportunities. It also increases community access to Native eye care providers in an area of the U.S. that is populated primarily by Native Americans.

To strengthen all of this work, Seva’s team of expert volunteers donated more than 1,435 hours of their time to develop our programs and support local staff. Seva volunteers bring a variety of expertise, including ophthalmology, ophthalmic nursing, hospital management, training, finance, organizational development and library science.



“Seva has given so much help to so many people for so many years — such a wonderful example of love in action.”

BONNIE RAITT
Singer/Songwriter and Seva Supporter



SEVA'S GLOBAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

THROUGH YOUR SUPPORT, SEVA AND OUR PARTNERS ARE INCREASING ACCESS TO EYE CARE IN MORE THAN 20 COUNTRIES: BANGLADESH, CAMBODIA, EGYPT, ETHIOPIA, GUATEMALA, HAITI, INDIA, MADAGASCAR, MALAWI, MEXICO, MYANMAR, NICARAGUA, NEPAL, PAKISTAN, PARAGUAY, PERU, RUSSIA, TANZANIA, TIBET/CHINA, UGANDA AND THE UNITED STATES. BELOW ARE SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM THIS FISCAL YEAR:



North America

UNITED STATES (OREGON): Through our long-time partnership with the Casey Eye Institute, Seva provided continuing medical education to build the capacity of our partners in Nepal. This year, one ophthalmologist from Lumbini Eye Institute completed a three-month observership in ophthalmology.

UNITED STATES (NEW MEXICO): Seva's American Indian Sight Initiative supported a glasses fund for Santa Domingo community members. This fund provided glasses to all diabetic elders from the pueblo who were unable to afford them.

UNITED STATES (CALIFORNIA): With support from Seva, the United Indian Health Services purchased an Optical Coherence Tomography unit. This valuable piece of specialized equipment enabled UIHS to increase onsite imaging and screening, reducing the need to refer elsewhere by a staggering 80%.

Latin America/Caribbean

GUATEMALA: A new training center was established at Global Sight Initiative mentor institution Visualiza. The space is designed for training doctors, nurses and hospital managers and also functions as a hands-on wet lab for clinical trainings. This past year alone, the training facility hosted 15 Seva-sponsored trainings for mentee hospitals to improve sustainability, quality of care and eye care systems.

HAITI: Through a joint effort of two Global Sight Initiative mentor institutions, mentee hospital Pierre DeCastro Eye Clinic in Port-au-Prince has increased the number of cataract surgeries they provide by 150% in just two years.

Africa

UGANDA: Seva supported two regional hospitals in Uganda (Lira and Gulu) to bring high quality, sight-saving services to remote areas, including the Karamoja region—home to one of the most underserved populations in the world.

TANZANIA: Seva support of Global Sight Initiative mentor KilimanjarCentre for Community Ophthalmology provided invaluable guidance and learning opportunities to three mentee hospitals in Tanzania operating with extremely limited resources.

Asia

NEPAL: A Rapid Assessment of Avoidable Blindness Survey and a Pediatric Blindness Survey were completed in the Narayani zone, providing vital information that will allow Seva and our partners to better serve the people living in this region.

INDIA: The number of Global Sight Initiative mentee hospitals in India expanded from 26 to 56. This will enable millions more people to have access to high quality, affordable eye care through the mentorship process.

MYANMAR: Seva established an agreement to equip, train staff and build management capacity at the new eye hospital in Taunggyi.

BANGLADESH: Three Grameen Eye Hospitals continue to increase service delivery and sustainability and have reached the important milestone of 10,000 cataract surgeries since their opening.

CAMBODIA: A Seva Board member and ophthalmologist traveled to Banteay Meanchey Eye Unit to conduct a phacoemulsification training for the clinical team, building their capacity to provide high-quality care.



"I admire Seva's spirit of innovation. Seva is constantly looking for new ideas that can benefit the world, especially the poor, and they aren't afraid to try something that no one else has tried before."

DR. MUHAMMAD YUNUS
Nobel Laureate and Founding Chairman of
Grameen Health Services

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS



2015 Antonio Champalimaud Vision Award

Seva Foundation, Seva Canada and our longtime partner, Kilimanjaro Centre for Community Ophthalmology, have worked together to change the lives of many of the most disadvantaged people on the planet. The three organizations were honored with a prestigious Vision Award given by the Lisbon, Portugal-based Antonio Champalimaud Foundation.

Considered the “Nobel Prize” of the vision care world, the Champalimaud award is presented for outstanding contributions towards the prevention and alleviation of blindness and visual impairment, primarily in developing countries.



Nepal Earthquake Relief

In April of 2015, a series of earthquakes devastated Nepal. Entire communities were leveled; over 8,000 people were killed and millions more were displaced. Through an enormous outpouring of support from the Seva community, our Nepal office and extensive network of partners were able to respond immediately to provide relief to communities in need. This included training 200 first aid responders and providing 7,000 temporary shelters and nearly 50 tons of food to families in need. In the months that followed, your support also went towards implementing long-term rebuilding activities. Reconstruction efforts succeeded in building 175 earthquake resistant homes, four schools, over 50 temporary learning centers, an orphanage, three nunneries, three health clinics and an ophthalmic outpatient department at a damaged hospital.



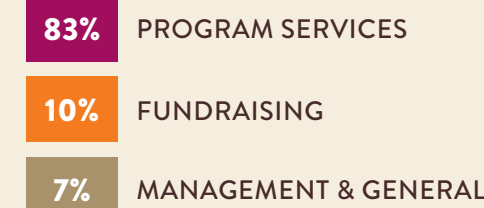
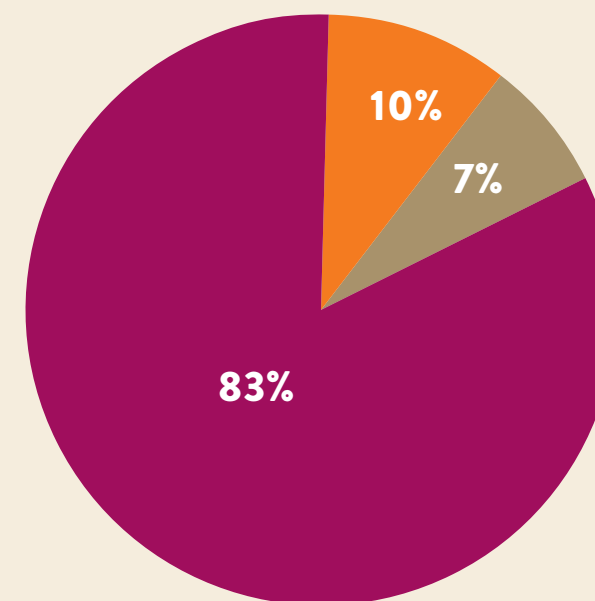
Seeing is Believing Grants

Seva is rapidly expanding our work through two Seeing is Believing grants from Standard Chartered Bank. The two grants, totaling \$1.5 million dollars over three years, will support key Seva initiatives to improve access to eye care in two countries: Cambodia and India. In Cambodia, the goal is to increase the number of sight-saving cataract surgeries and to increase community eye health outreach programs that provide examinations and glasses to people in need. In India, Seeing is Believing will scale up comprehensive quality eye care services through a focus on capacity building. Seeing is Believing will forever change the landscape of eye care in these two countries.

2015-2016

Summarized Statement of Activities & Changes in Net Assets

Year Ended June 30, 2016



REVENUES, GAINS AND OTHER SUPPORT

Contributions	\$3,595,668
Contributions — In-Kind	473,465
Grants — Federal	171,580
Grants — Foundations and Corporations	2,773,828
Realized and Unrealized Gain/(Loss)	8,380
Special Events	91,639
Dividends, Interest and Other Income	44,495

Total Revenues, Gains and Other Support \$7,159,055

EXPENSES

Program Services	\$5,273,395
Management & General	448,923
Fund Raising	631,355

Total Expenses \$6,353,673

Change in Net Assets	805,382
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	3,398,195

Net Assets, End of Year \$4,203,577

PROGRAM EXPENSES

Global Sight Initiative	\$ 973,200
Aids Eye Initiative	41,271

ASIA

Bangladesh	\$ 107,598
Cambodia	486,326
India	708,106
Myanmar	23,138
Nepal	1,284,792
Pakistan	58,447
Tibet	231,398

AFRICA

Egypt	\$ 34,280
Ethiopia/Tanzania/Uganda	50,188

THE AMERICAS

Guatemala	\$ 68,960
Paraguay	21,829
Peru	67,533
United States	208,958
Program Education	907,371

Total \$ 5,273,395

2015–2016

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