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Above photo from World Clubfoot Day celebrations in Tanzania via Lillian Boelke.

THE GLOBAL PROBLEM

1 MILLION CHILDREN AFFECTED AROUND THE WORLD



80% OF CHILDREN

80% of children in low-resource countries lack access to treatment

CLUBFOOT IS A COMMON BIRTH DEFECT

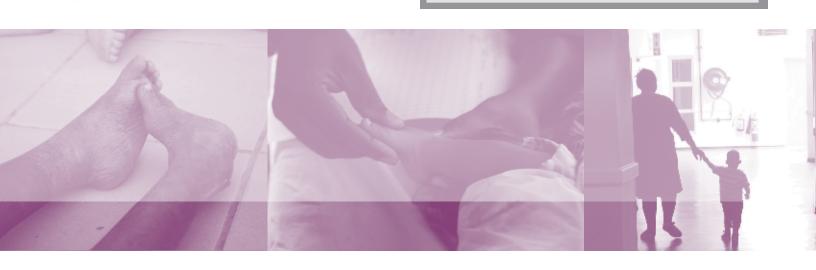
Clubfoot is a common birth defect that causes one or both feet to turn inwards and upwards. Because clubfoot makes walking difficult and painful, untreated clubfoot is a root cause of life-long poverty, illiteracy, and abuse in developing countries. The MiracleFeet solution increases access to treatment in low-resource countries, so that children can run, play, and attend school.

WHY ARE THEY NOT TREATED PROPERLY?

- Lack of Awareness
- Poverty
- Lack of Clinics & Trained Providers
- Transportation Issues
- Limited Access to Brace

IMPACT of UNTREATED CLUBFOOT

POVERTY NEGLECT
ABUSE STIGMA
ISOLATION PAIN
ILLITERACY





WE USE THE PONSETI METHOD

- Plaster casts are applied weekly for up to 8 weeks.
- Simple procedure called tenotomy improves ankle flexibility.
- Specialized braces are worn to maintain correction.





CHILDREN IN TREATMENT

Over 17,000 children in treatment in more than 140 clinics in 14 countries. Treatment is provided free or at minimal cost to all families.



15-YEAR ERADICATE **UNTREATED CLUBFOOT**

PLAN 🗎

TOTAL INVESTMENT NEEDED:

\$100M OVER A 15-YEAR PERIOD

The plan maps out the total cost of establishing and supporting sustainable global clubfoot programs.

The plan also details how we will leverage proven program models, MiracleFeet's low-cost brace, and Google.org funded technology tools.

WHAT DO WE NEED TO DO?

The total investment needed is relatively low compared to most global health initiatives. The key is for local governments to fund programs eventually, allowing outside support to be reduced to less than \$3M a year.

MiracleFeet is currently raising \$15M to treat 30,000 new children over the next 3 years. This will bring the number of children helped to more than 50,000. This paves the way for the larger task of raising \$6-10M annually between 2020 and 2030; this funding will allow us to build the national programs and capacity to effectively treat all children born with clubfoot in low-income countries.

2010-2015



0-5K children per year (12K total)



\$5M over 5 years

2015-2020



6K-12K children per year (50K+ total)



\$15M-\$20M over 5 years

2020-2030

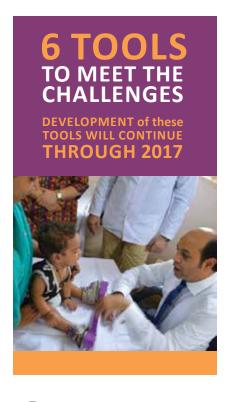


12K-66K children per year 700K+ total



\$70-\$100M over 10 years 2020-2030





CHALLENGE: TREATMENT COMPLIANCE

- 1 Create mobile application for data collection and analysis.
- Integrate SMS (Short Message Service) system for appointment reminders and more efficient direct communication.
- Pilot sensors in brace to track compliance.

CHALLENGE: ACCESS TO TRAINING & COLLABORATION

- Develop mobile-native learning modules for new health care providers.
- Offer telemedicine platform for idea exchange and collaboration between doctors.
- Provide training modules for providers with continuing education on Ponseti Method best practices.

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