

Thank you for supporting United to Beat Malaria (formerly Nothing But Nets)!

Since our launch in 2006, United to Beat Malaria has had a singular focus on ending malaria, one of the world's oldest and deadliest diseases. Transmitted through the bite of an infected mosquito, malaria disproportionately impacts the most vulnerable – pregnant women, children under 5, as well as refugees and displaced people – but it is also preventable and treatable.

Thanks to our dedicated community of donors and partners, United to Beat Malaria has protected over **40 million people in 61 countries** through the distribution of bed nets and other lifesaving malaria tools. United, we can be the generation to beat malaria.

Released in December, the 2023 World Malaria Report showed that **national malaria programs, with the support from global partnerships, have made significant progress in expanding access to core malaria tools and the continued scale up of emerging strategies and tools.**

A few of the top takeaways are:

1. Malaria cases rose slightly (249 million cases) while malaria deaths decreased slightly (estimated 608,000 deaths) in 2022.
2. Thanks to global efforts to fight malaria, an estimated 549 million cases and 2.82 million deaths were averted from 2020-2022.
3. Children under 5 account for over 76% of deaths.

In response to these challenges, United to Beat Malaria is looking forward to collaborating with our committed donors and partners to protect the most vulnerable, advance the fight against malaria, and, ultimately, beat this terrible disease. With this vision in mind, we will have three primary areas of focus to our messaging this year.

1. **Displacement-** Conflicts and natural disasters create ideal conditions for malaria and other diseases to thrive.
2. **Innovations-** Throughout 2024, we will be highlighting ways the private sector and scientific community are adapting and innovating to try to get ahead of the anopheles mosquito, including the potential two malaria vaccines, next generation bed nets, spatial repellents, and treatments to overcome drug resistance.
3. **Malaria Elimination-** Latin America and the Caribbean have made significant progress towards regional elimination this century. But regional malaria hotspots in Venezuela and Haiti, caused by political instability and other factors, have jeopardized those regional elimination efforts.



2024 Malaria Projects

You will hear these areas of focus over the course of the year as we detail the fight against malaria in communities in:

Latin America and the Caribbean

Communities: Countries throughout Latin America and the Caribbean

Project Details: Acquisition of malaria control commodities, materials, freight, and delivery

Our on-the-ground partnership with PAHO will contribute to reducing and eliminating malaria in Latin America, by quickly and flexibly providing the region with antimalarial commodities.

Guatemala

Communities: Telemán, Panzós and La Tinta

Estimated Number of People Reached: 128,475 community members and 159 community health workers

Project Details: Health outcomes in Guatemala diverge dramatically between rural and urban and indigenous and non-indigenous populations. Guatemala reported a 43% increase of malaria cases in 2022 from 2021.

To improve access to malaria and healthcare services in indigenous communities in Altra Verapaz, United to Beat Malaria and our partner on the ground are supporting the development of tailored packages of services, and building the capacity of health care workers to diagnose, treat, and manage malaria.

Haiti

Communities: Grand-Anse and the Sud

Estimated Number of People Reached: 35,000

Project Details: Strengthen and expand community health networks, community health workers, and malaria surveillance and reporting

Over the past decade, Haiti has experienced multiple natural disasters, political unrest, and disruptions from the COVID-19 pandemic, which have significantly impacted malaria elimination efforts. Grand'Anse and the Sud have the highest and second highest malaria incidence levels among Haiti's ten administrative departments, where an estimated 30% of communal sections also do not have a health facility. This project will increase health access by mobilizing 35 community health workers in communities with high malaria transmission.





Ethiopia

Communities: 7 refugee camps in the Gambela Region (Pinyudo, Pinyudo 2, Nguenyiel, Kule, Tierkidi, Okugo and Jewi)

Estimated Number of People Reached: 330,000

Project Details: The 2023 World Malaria Report named Ethiopia as one of the five countries that bore the brunt of global case increases between 2021 to 2022.

Half the medicine and medical supply needs for the refugee population remains unmet. In the Gambela Region, malaria contributes to the highest mortality rates amongst refugees.

United to Beat Malaria is working with our UN partner to provide medicine, malaria testing kits, and indoor residual spraying campaigns (IRS).

South Sudan

Communities: Refugee camps and host communities in the Central Equatoria, Unity, Upper Nile, and Western Equatoria States.

Estimated Number of People Reached: 180,000 refugees and host community members

Project Details: Insecticide-treated net distributions, education awareness campaigns, and support for primary healthcare programs serving as critical frontline response for saving the lives of those affected by malaria.

Malaria cases in South Sudan spike most frequently during the rainy season and UNHCR anticipates more flooding in 2024, which the country's infrastructure might not be able to mitigate. Partnering with UNHCR, our project aims to prevent and treat malaria amongst displaced and host communities in South Sudan.



Democratic Republic of Congo

Communities: Children and pregnant women in 13 communities across Boko

Estimated Number of People Reached: 147,292

Project Details: Provide and distribute next generation insecticide-treated bed nets and a follow up impact study.

The Democratic Republic of the Congo carries approximately 12% of the global malaria burden and 12% of all malaria deaths globally.



United to Beat Malaria is funding the distribution of insecticide-treated bed nets, which will protect an estimated 147,292 people from malaria. This project will also include malaria education and follow-up home visits to ensure the proper use of bed nets, along with promotion on local radio and community events.

Nigeria

Communities: Refugee and IDP communities in Bollori 2, Gongulong, and Old Maiduguri

Estimated Number of People Reached: 275,000

Project Details: Support a large scale Indoor Residual Spraying campaign and deliver prevention messaging

Internally displaced peoples (IDPs) and their host communities in the Borno State remain at high risk for malaria. Our project in Nigeria will support the expansion of essential life-saving malaria prevention interventions for the most vulnerable, displaced, and conflict-affected populations through combining indoor residual spray (IRS) with continued community health and hygiene behavioral change campaigns. This project will reach about 275,000 people, particularly in areas that have a high concentration of IDPs. This project will also build off of three consecutive IRS campaigns in Maiduguri and Jere in 2021, 2022, and 2023.



Holistic Child Health Programs

Communities: Refugee communities in Ethiopia and Uganda

Objective: United to Beat Malaria is deeply concerned about the surging rates of displacement worldwide, and its impact on children's health and futures. That's why we're partnering with our sister UN Foundation campaign, Shot@Life, and committing a minimum of \$1.3 million over two years to ensure displaced children and families have access to all available tools that protect them against malaria and vaccine preventable diseases. Further, we will work to advance the inclusion of displaced people in national immunization and malaria prevention programs to ensure they're not left behind. This partnership will initially focus on Ethiopia and Uganda and will support work carried out by our UN partners.

Dates for Your Calendar

- United to Beat Malaria Leadership Summit – **March 10 - March 12, 2024**
- World Malaria Day – **April 25, 2024**
- Move Against Malaria 5k – **April 25 - May 5, 2024**
- World Refugee Day – **June 20, 2024**
- World Mosquito Day – **August 20, 2024**
- Opening of the 79th UN General Assembly Session – **September 10, 2024**
- Dream Big Sleep Out, September 23 - **October 18, 2024**
- Malaria Day in the Americas – **November 6, 2024**
- Giving Tuesday – **December 3, 2024**
- End of year campaign – **Mid-November - December 31, 2024**



2024 Leadership Summit

Our first major event of year will be our first in-person Leadership Summit. Champions from across the country will join us for three days in Washington, DC to engage in the fight against malaria, leading up to the final day when our champions will advocate for malaria prevention on Capitol Hill.

Move Against Malaria 5k

Kicking off on World Malaria Day (April 25th), join a global community of supporters for Move Against Malaria, a virtual event, that you can do wherever you are and on your own time and pace. Teams and individuals engage with their friends, families, colleagues, and neighbors to raise awareness and funds to support our projects.



Dream Big Sleep Out

In an effort to engage and mobilize the next generation of malaria advocates, Dream Big Sleep Out will activate Generation Z through social media, website, and events. We will highlight the hopes and dreams of young people in both malaria-endemic and malaria-free parts of the world.

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