

A close-up photograph of a person's hand planting a seed into dark, rich soil. The hand is positioned in the upper right quadrant, with fingers gently holding the seed. The soil is textured and appears to be in a garden or field setting. The background is slightly blurred, showing more soil and some green plants in the distance.

Strong  Harvest International

2016
Annual Report

Linking People to a Better Life

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Empowering Families & Improving Lives



At Strong Harvest, we are committed to empowering developing-world families who are struggling with hunger and poverty to have a sustainable source of good nutrition, clean water, increased family income, and improved natural environments through the simplicity of the moringa tree.

2016 was a year of improved lives!

Nadege in Haiti shares, "My son had very bad headaches. The doctors gave him lots of medicine, but nothing helped. The doctors didn't know if he would live long. I started feeding moringa to him every day and now he is healthy and his headaches are gone." Nadege had moringa trees growing in her yard but had no idea that they were the solution she needed.

Isabella in Nicaragua lives in a one-room corrugated metal house with a dirt floor. She suffers from a chronic disease and not only has she seen a vast improvement in her health since she started eating moringa 3 years ago, but it is also bringing her financial benefit. "I collect moringa seeds from the trees in my backyard and sell them for \$4.00 a kilo." Moringa has provided Isabella with both better health and a source of income that she didn't have before.

Magdalena in Tanzania says, "No one in my family has gone to the clinic in 6 months!" This may not sound like a big deal, but in her village in rural Tanzania, that is unheard of. Nutrition is very poor and living conditions are harsh, so with compromised immune systems adults and children are constantly getting ill. Moringa has made good health the norm in Magdalena's home and her testimony speaks volumes to her neighbors.

See the incredible ripple-effect of Magdalena's story . . .

This is the story of Magdalena, one Strong Harvest Peer Educator, and her incredible impact on the world!

OCTOBER 2014

Strong Harvest founders, Rick and Jeri Kemmer, travel to Tanzania and train 18 community members to be Peer Educators in the village of Kambi ya Mkaa, where people struggle to provide nutritious food for their families. **Magdalena** is in this group.

Magdalena plants moringa and starts using it with her family and sharing about it with her community.



AUGUST 2015

Susan and Martin, Community Transformation workers with e3Partners, learn from Magdalena about Strong Harvest and get excited! Susan had been searching for a way to teach about moringa that was simple and reproducible.



NOVEMBER 2015

Martin provides Strong Harvest training to a group in his hometown of Mwanza on Lake Victoria.



MARCH 2016

Magdalena and Susan go to the village of Miseki to provide Strong Harvest training to a local women's group.



MARCH 2016

Martin's group has planted 400 moringa trees, and plans to process and sell moringa products as a small business.



DECEMBER 2015

Susan connects with Strong Harvest and coordinates a partnership.



MAY 2016

Strong Harvest trains e3Partners Community Transformation workers to be Peer Educators. They will, in turn, train Peer Educators in **7 different countries!**



Gary Zimbabwe

Carmen Uganda

Susan Tanzania

Chuy Columbia

Lydia Malawi

Pamela Rwanda

Tracy and Patricia South Sudan

WHAT MAKES THE MORINGA TREE SO POWERFUL?

EASY TO GROW:

Moringa is a multi-purpose, tropical tree that is easily grown and thrives in marginal soils.

EASY TO SHARE:

Once families learn about moringa, it's easy to share their new-found knowledge with friends and neighbors.

NUTRITIOUS:

Its leaves contain protein, calcium, potassium, iron, vitamins A, C, & E, antioxidants, all the essential amino acids, and much more.

CLEANS DIRTY WATER:

Moringa seeds remove up to 99% of the impurities from unsafe drinking water, drastically reducing water-borne diseases.

PRODUCES INCOME:

Moringa trees provide many products that can be sold in local markets, creating additional family income.

Moringa is a mighty weapon in the fight against hunger and poverty!

Magdalena's passion as a Strong Harvest Peer Educator has impacted thousands of people around the world! This same ripple-effect is being repeated everywhere Strong Harvest works.

Our Impact

Through the faithful contributions of our donors and volunteers Strong Harvest had an incredible impact in 2016, as more people learned how to improve their lives by growing moringa right in their own backyards. We trained **248 NEW Peer Educators in 2016**, bringing our total to 662 world-wide. And our Peer Educators are impacting thousands of others as they share their knowledge with their families, friends, communities, and beyond!



Togo

Village Training or Activity		
Jan 23-26	Ahepe-Hekpoe	30 new Peer Educators
Feb 16	Noepe	8 receive Follow-up training
July 2	Sanguera	32 new Peer Educators
July 9-10	Noamessikope	37 new Peer Educators
July 30-31	Ahepe-Hekpoe	11 receive Follow-up training
Sept 10	Tovegan	9 new Peer Educators



Haiti

Mar 20	Zo-Vincent	14 new Peer Educators
Aug 4-5	Lory	18 new Peer Educators
Aug 8-9	Dekle	45 new Peer Educators
Oct 29	Limbe	24 new Peer Educators
Nov 25	Limbe	5 new Peer Educators
Dec 27	Mont Organise	17 new Peer Educators



Nicaragua

April 14	El Zapote	8 receive Follow-up training
April 16	Granada	8 receive Follow-up training
Sept 27	ECHO Conference	20 attend SHI Moringa Workshop (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization)
Dec 27	El Zapote	8 receive Follow-up training



U.S.A. and Team Trips

April 5-19	Team Trip to Nicaragua for Follow-up training	
May 14	SHI Headquarters	7 new U.S. Peer Educators
May 23	Online Training	7 new U.S. Peer Educators
June 10	Online Training	3 new U.S. Peer Educators
Aug 2-11	Team Trip to Haiti to train Haitian Peer Educators	
Nov 15	ECHO Conference	40 attended SHI PE Workshop
Nov 17	ECHO Conference	12 attended SHI Water Workshop

Throughout 2016 our U.S.-trained Peer Educators also shared about moringa in Indonesia, Yap, Columbia, South Sudan, Uganda, Rwanda, Malawi, and Zimbabwe.

Peer Educators are ordinary people who are transforming their communities!

Our numbers also tell our story

662

Peer Educators

In 2016, we added 248 new moringa Peer Educators bringing our total to 662 world-wide.

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Countries

Our Peer Educators have impacted communities in Nicaragua, Columbia, Mexico, Haiti, Togo, Benin, Burkina Faso, Senegal, Cameroon, Uganda, Rwanda, Malawi, Zimbabwe, South Sudan, Tanzania, the United States, Canada, Yap, The Philippines, Indonesia, and Saudi Arabia.

20,000

Moringa Seeds

have been distributed to families in need since 2012.

1,648

Volunteer Hours

In 2016, our volunteers really made a difference by investing their time and energy to make it all happen.

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Languages

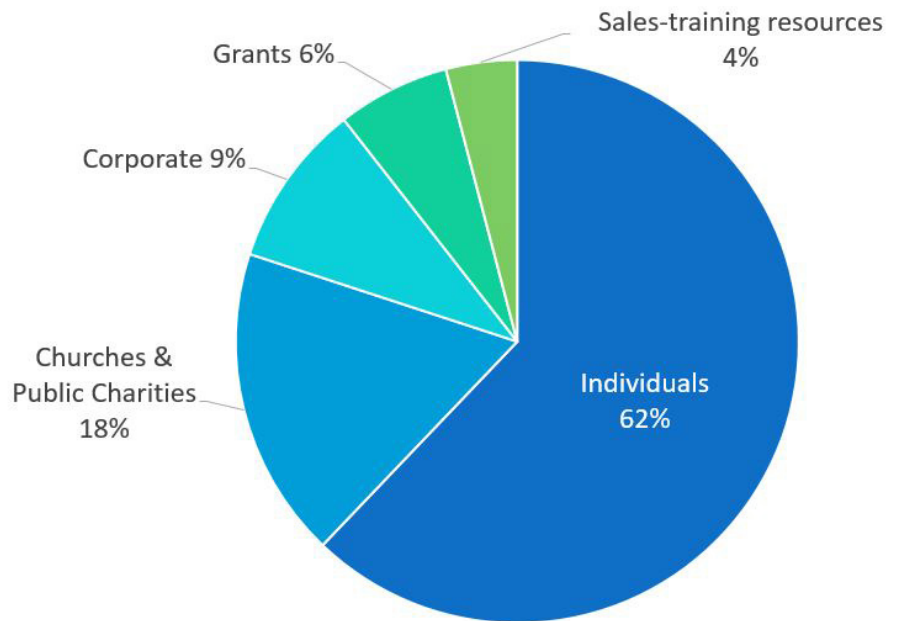
Our training materials are now available in Arabic, English, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Spanish, and Swahili.

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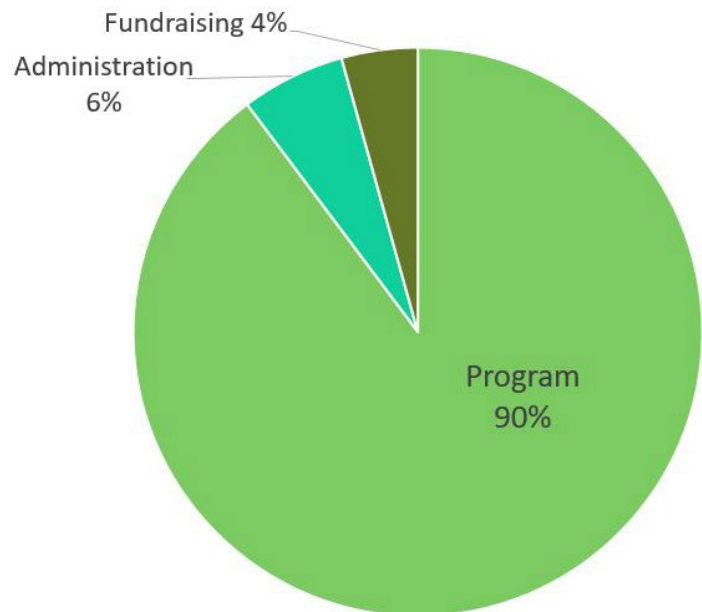
New Partners

In 2016, we began working relationships or fundraising partnerships with Helping Haitian Angels, Lory Baptist Church, e3 Partners, New Roots Haiti, ECHO - Central America, La Bottega, and Whittier Church of God.

2016 Income - Where our funds come from:



2016 Expenses - Where our funds go:



When families are strong – when they have good nutrition, clean water, economic opportunities, and healthy, productive land – amazing things happen!

This is the work of Strong Harvest. Thank you to everyone who is joining hearts and hands to support and work beside us.

How you can make a difference!

Donate Funds

- Join an Impact Team to make a difference in a specific country
- Give a monthly or single gift of any amount at <http://bit.ly/StrongHarvestDonate>
- Start your own fundraiser at <https://www.strongharvest.org/fundraise/>
- Leave a lasting legacy through your will, annuity, or trust

Donate Time

- Be an on-going volunteer: have a skill or a hobby, such as photography, videography, social media, web-design, fundraising, administration, office skills, or . . .? We need you!
- Be an event volunteer: help us with planning and putting on a one-time an event

Help Spread the Word

- Invite Strong Harvest to speak at your church, school, business, or civic group
- Host your own event with a purpose - have a BBQ, a dessert, or any kind of gathering - and invite Strong Harvest to share our story

Become a Peer Educator

- We hold multiple trainings in the U.S. and on-line each year, preparing people to teach others about moringa wherever they go.

Travel with a Team

- Do you like adventure and experiencing other cultures for a good cause? If yes, join us!
- We travel to our international locations regularly and would love to have you work, laugh, and learn beside us.

