

Lucia is living proof of the power of partnership and peer education in action! A member of the Taposa tribe in South Sudan, Lucia lives in a remote village where they struggle to have enough nutritious food to eat. That changed when Patricia, a Community Transformation worker with e3 Partners, became a Strong Harvest Peer Educator and taught Lucia how to improve her family's health by growing moringa and adding it to their meals. Lucia now has a sustainable source of good nutrition right outside her door!

Empowering families, one tree at a time.

Strong Harvest is providing Improved Health, Family Income, and Environmental Care

Peer Education

Our Peer Education model

is empowering hundreds of people who are impacting thousands of others! We are continually amazed, humbled, and grateful for the effectiveness of sharing the benefits of moringa in this way.

Some great things happened in 2017:

- **Nicaragua:** Our Peer Educators are now holding their own two-day moringa seminars in order to train new Peer Educators! One of the trainers shared with us that teaching others about nutrition and moringa has given her a new purpose in life.
- **Tanzania:** The Peer Educators we trained in Arusha, Tanzania, were from 13 organizations and will impact thousands of families in Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda, Uganda, and The Philippines.
- **Togo:** We continued to seek out communities that are deeply in need, training new Peer Educators about the rich nutritional, economic, and environmental benefits of moringa.
- **Haiti:** The 32 new Peer Educators in the impoverished village of Chiwon, where they battle the affects of constant malnutrition, now have knowledge and means to grow their own moringa!



Teams

It is such a joy to involve volunteers in Strong Harvest's work! In 2017, we took a team of five to Haiti and another team of four to Tanzania. Each team member played a vital role in the moringa training seminars and in our continuing education workshops as we met with previously trained Peer Educators.

It's always a very enlightening and enriching experience as we learn, laugh, and do life together as a team. After her trip to Tanzania, one of our team members shared:

"Without a doubt, this trip was a good thing for me. Conquering my fear of the unknown, bugs, long travel times, etc... was empowering in some weird way. It felt good to meet so many people who were incredibly appreciative of the fact that we were there teaching about moringa. Many of the training participants were so excited to begin growing and using moringa for their family. Others already knew some facts about the tree and were thrilled to know more. Some participants already had stories of recovery and healing due to incorporating moringa into their diets and they attended the training to learn even more." - Lorraine



Impact

Strengthening families through the simplicity and sustainability of moringa is having a significant impact.

Here are a few highlights from 2017:

- **Training:** We trained 355 new Peer Educators from Haiti, Mexico, Nicaragua, Tanzania, Rwanda, Kenya, Uganda, Togo, and The Philippines, and another 11 in the U.S. for a total of 366!
- **Health:** In Nicaragua, Pastor Dolores shares that by eating moringa every day her high blood pressure and diabetes have been brought under control. Her doctors call it a miracle!
- **Income:** In Haiti, Fritzner is creating jobs and building a pathway to market as he engages his community in growing moringa and creating products to be sold locally and internationally.
- **Environment:** In East Africa, our Peer Educators are planting moringa to reduce erosion during the monsoon rains, keeping more of their rich topsoil in place for growing their own food.
- **Family:** In Togo, our Country Coordinator's wife, Olga, has become an integral part of the Strong Harvest team. We are also seeing the wives of our other Country Coordinators join in the work and we're so thankful for their passion and dedication!



Haiti



Fritzner and Mariejocelyn Mompont

92 new Peer Educators in **5** locations

"I love teaching people about moringa and coaching moringa growers. I'm giving more and learning more each time I teach." - Fritzner

Nicaragua



Lesly and Maria Herrera

23 new Peer Educators in **2** locations

This year, Lesly and Maria have assisted Nicaraguan Peer Educators to hold their own seminars and train others in their communities.

Togo & W. Africa



Jean and Olga Abou

171 new Peer Educators in **6** locations

"Thanks to Strong Harvest, poverty and malnutrition are starting to diminish in my county. Training people brings joy to my family." - Jean

Tanzania & E. Africa



Raymond and Agnes Moloka / Laata Mollel

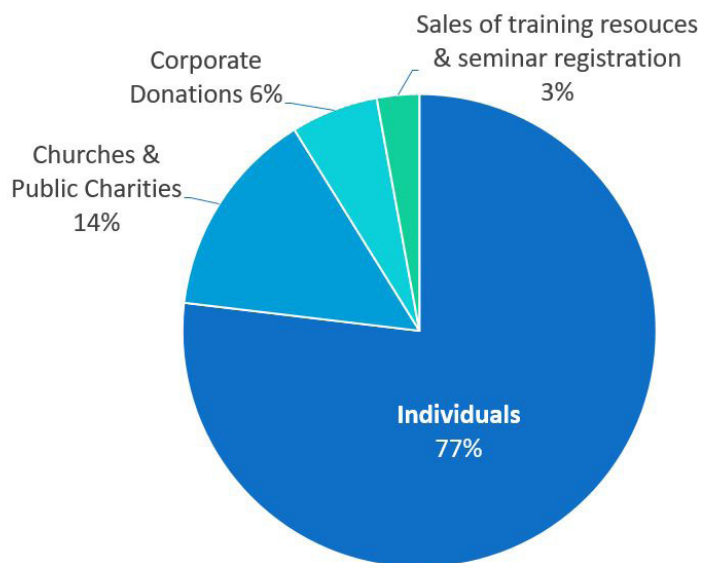
69 new Peer Educators in **3** locations

Raymond is providing training to Swahili speaking communities while his assistant, Laata, works with the Maasai tribe in northern Tanzania.

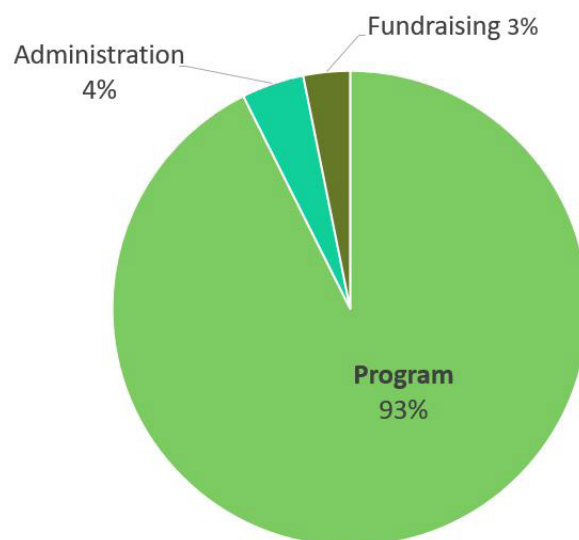
Every Peer Educator has the ability to impact hundreds of families - improving lives through the simplicity of the moringa tree!

2017 was a year of growth and impact!

Where our funds came from:



How they were spent:



1,000

Peer Educators

In 2017, we added 366 new moringa Peer Educators bringing our total to 1,000 world-wide.

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Countries

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

25,000

Moringa Seeds/Saplings

have been distributed to families in need since 2012.

1,590

Volunteer Hours

Strong Harvest volunteers invested their time, talent, and travel in 2017 to bring improved health to families around the world!

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Languages

Our training materials have been translated into Arabic, English, French, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Spanish, Swahili, and the latest is Jula (spoken in Burkina Faso, Ivory Coast, and Mali).

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New Partners

In 2017, we began field work or fundraising partnerships with Moringa for Love, ECHO East Africa Impact Center, Antelope Road Christian Fellowship, and Kuli Kuli Foods.



Your support enables us and our Peer Educators to spread the knowledge of moringa ~ empowering families to improve their health and create income, all while protecting the environment. Thank you for partnering with us!