Children’s Place International
Strategic Vision

• Children’s Place International will be a gateway for Chicago and the Midwest to help children overcome extreme poverty and health issues in Haiti and Southern Africa.

• We will leverage financial and technical resources from our 25 years of experience and networks including, staff, donors, volunteers, and private individuals in industry, academia, and the non-profit world.

• These resources will be invested in partnerships with in-country child serving organizations to implement evidenced-based, cost effective health, nutrition, and psychosocial interventions that change the life trajectories of thousands of children.
Strategic Goal: 2015-2018

Rally Chicago and Midwest area universities, foundations, the healthcare private sector, non-profits and private individuals to invest in evidenced based programming at critical points of child development - especially birth to 5 years old and adolescence - to benefit a minimum of 25,000 children. Implement programming in partnership with child serving organizations building on existing relationships in Haiti and Southern Africa (Botswana, Zambia, Mozambique, South Africa, etc).
Our Chicago Capital

1. Our parent organization the Children’s Place Association: 25 years working with children in poverty and chronic illness. Professional staff, donors, partner organizations with resources and interest in helping children.

2. Chicago’s financial resources: 12th most economically powerful city in the world*, 7th most globalized city in the world**. 30 S&P 500 companies and hundreds of businesses with international interests.

3. Chicago’s Universities: Home to top universities, hospitals, social service organizations including those with extensive international work (Northwestern University, Rush University, University of Illinois, DePaul, Loyola, and the University of Chicago).

* Atlantic City Lab. ** AT Kearney Top 10
Strategic Approach: In Partnership

Develop Scholars Network: Chicago / Midwest Universities and Teaching Hospitals [NEW]
Expand Healthcare Partners for Children: Chicago / Midwest Healthcare Companies
Increase Individual Contributions through annual Place the Hope
Expand partnerships with Chicago / Midwest Foundations

Seek facilitating funds from US Government: CDC, USAID, PEPFAR

Partners in Health Haiti
Marang Childcare Network Trust Botswana
New Partner: Mozambique
New Partner: Zambia

Invest in partnerships to impact 25,000 children facing health issues and extreme poverty.
Chicago Scholars Network - Concept

Vision: A multi-disciplinary network of experts working pro-bono, affiliated with major Chicago and Midwest universities and teaching hospitals. Focus will be to provide technical / training support on child & adolescent health, nutrition and education interventions.

Steering Committee Members:
Dr. Gary Harper, PhD, Child Psychologist, DePaul University and University of Michigan
Areas of focus: children, adolescent development, HIV/AIDS
Geographic work experience: Kenya, Botswana, Haiti, U.S.

Dr. Margie Scotellaro, MD, Rush Memorial University
Areas of focus: pediatrics, child abuse prevention and detection.
Geographic work Experience: Haiti, U.S.

Joan Sherman, Northwestern University
Areas of focus: gender, girls in development
Geographic Work Experience: India, Kenya, Haiti, U.S.

Planned Technical Areas of Focus:
Children and adolescents affected by HIV/AIDS
Family systems of care
Child abuse prevention and detection
Pediatric health and nutrition
Girls and young women in development
Early childhood learning
Healthcare Partners for Children

Healthcare professionals from companies across the greater Chicago / Midwest area focused on increasing healthcare access and support for the world’s most vulnerable children.

- Takeda
- Baxter
- Astellas
- Abbott
- Abbvie
- Navigant
- Hospira
- Rexam Healthcare
- Patheon
- Hill-Rom
- CareFusion
- Hollister
- CIVCO
- Beckman Coulter
- Medline
- Grainger
Case Example: Access to Health - Project Haiti

Project Implementation Team

Current Status: Through its partnership with Partners in Health, Haiti, Children’s Place International has trained and deployed community health teams to address housing, water, sanitation, nutrition, and access to health services for 330 children and their families.

Executive Team (left to right)
Dr. Chris Reddick, Vice-president, Takeda
Dr. Wesler Lambert, Deputy Director, Partners in Health, Haiti
John Sweeney, Director, Children’s Place International

Children’s Place International Program Manager
Jennifer Torres

Northern Haiti Field Team

Central Haiti Field Team
Access to Health: Project Haiti
Healthy Homes, Clean Water & Sanitation

Current status: Homes for 60 individuals

Some of the families and prioritized housing projects.
Access to Health: Project Haiti
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**Current Status: Homes.** First completed home. Built for a single mother living with HIV and her children.

The new home is located in the rural community of Limonade, Haiti.

Before: Rented crowded single room in poor condition and limited air circulation.

After: A new home with divided rooms and sustainable living conditions.
Access to Health: Project Haiti
Clean Water & Sanitation

Current Status: 530 individuals (330 children) have been identified to receive support to access clean water at the household level. Children’s Place International is currently evaluating several clean water technologies in consultation with experts implementing clean water technologies in Haiti and other developing countries. Suitability for the use at the house, efficacy, cost, maintenance, and sustainability are the main factors with preference for sourcing locally produced and distributed products due to impact on economy and avoidance of Haitian customs complexities. Examples of technologies under consideration:

- PUR water tablets.
Access to Health: Project Haiti
Health Outreach Services

Current Status: 530 individuals (330 children) are receiving bi-weekly health outreach services. Program management team trained and oriented field team and as of July 1, bi-weekly home visits and accompaniment to clinic have started.

Home Visits
Outreach workers: Carole Bien Aimee and Judith Dorelus make a visit to a rural household.

Training
Northern team supervisor Roland Saint-Cyr conducts a training with the field team on how to assess children using the Child Status Index.

Assessments and Accompaniment to Clinic
Senior Outreach Worker Joseph Lucima weighs a child as part of a nutritional assessment.
Access to Health: Project Haiti
Medications, Treatment, Nutritional Supplementation

Current Status: Monthly food distributions are underway with focus on providing extra caloric intake for malnourished children. While some medications and treatments are provided free of charge at public hospitals, many are not. The Access to Health: Project Haiti team will purchase medications and pay for lab tests using project funding for 330 enrolled children and caregivers.