



20 YEARS OPENING EYES

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20 EYES OF THE WORLD
YEARS

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- Registry of Foundations of the Government of Catalonia, with number 1568, on July 18, 2001.
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- Registry of Foundations of the Basque Country, on July 19, 2005.
- Registry of Associations of Seville, on January 23, 2007.
- Registry of Foundations of the Valencian Community, on January 29, 2007.
- Register of the Headquarters of Puy-de-Dôme, France, on December 27, 2012.
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- Registry of the Agents of International Development Cooperation in Andalusia. Andalusian Agency for International Development Cooperation, March 29, 2019.
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MISSION

Eyes of the world works to achieve a world where people with visual impairments and without economic resources from countries with a medium or low development index can receive quality ophthalmological care from their health services and create the necessary conditions to reduce the incidence of eye pathologies in each territory.

It also raises public awareness in our environment regarding the deficiencies of basic health in those areas.

VIEW

Eyes of the world strives toward a world where people are not needlessly blind, helping to make the right to sight a reality.

PRINCIPLES AND ACTION GUIDELINES

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES

HUMANITY

INDEPENDENCE

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES
AND GENDER EQUITY

ALTRUISM

PROFESSIONALISM

TRANSPARENCY

ACTION GUIDELINES

PERMANENCE

DEVELOPMENT

COOPERATION

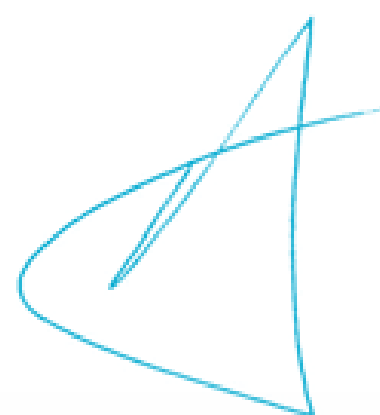
EFFICIENCY

PRESENTATIONS

A new vision for the health rights

At the Eyes of the world Foundation, we have spent the past 20 years fighting preventable blindness, guiding each and every one of our projects towards ensuring access to eye health for people in the world's most vulnerable areas. In short, 20 years defending the universal right to sight and, in consequence, the need for universal health coverage. Because all people should have access to essential, high-quality health services, whenever and wherever they need them, including ophthalmological care. And while it brings us great satisfaction to celebrate our 20th anniversary, we are also thrilled about the unprecedented resolution adopted in 2021 by the United Nations General Assembly, in which the international community has undertaken to provide eye care to people with preventable vision loss by the year 2030. A challenge in line with the Sustainable Development Goals. For this reason, we will continue to look to the future. We will continue to work to ensure that people with impaired vision have access to support and treatment. And that governments and institutions act in a manner consistent with their new commitments. So that, when it comes to eye health, no one is left behind.

President
Rafael Ribó



20 years raising the level of eye health within each territory

Another year, another dream fulfilled. Over the past two decades, we have implemented projects in areas with a wide variety of contexts; projects focused on ensuring that patients are treated by local professionals, both male and female. The aim of the Foundation has always been to bolster local teams by providing the knowledge and means necessary to treat their populations; professionals centred on the prevention and early detection of conditions, encouraging their patients to exercise their right to eye health and with medical procedures and technologies that are both sustainable and appropriate for each territory. Over the past 20 years, during which time we have checked the eyesight of almost one million people and performed surgery on more than 37,000, there is another figure that brings us immense satisfaction: Eyes of the world has trained over 13,000 specialists, who, with our support, have taken over the local population's eye care needs. Thanks to this intervention model, geared towards producing sustainable results through training and the consolidation of local workers, the Eyes of the world projects have never stopped, despite complex situations such as the pandemic. While there remains a need for resources, help and structures, the overall balance is highly positive and the path that has been blazed during this time inspires us to forge ahead and, most importantly, fulfil new objectives.

Vice president
Borja Corcóstegui



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We make progress thanks to our experience and responsiveness

If, in the beginning, the pandemic triggered a global collapse in which combating COVID-19 became the priority in all areas of life, a year later, healthcare continued to focus on preventing infections, with all the challenges that closing clinics, surgeries, schools and borders has posed for our eye care projects.

Thanks to Eyes of the world's adaptability and network of professionals, volunteers and contributors, we have adapted our activities and developed new strategies to continue improving and strengthening public eye health systems, searching for alternative options to keep performing surgeries or raising awareness through mass media outlets such as the radio and social media.

Despite the limitations and restrictions, in 2021, we saw more than 131,000 people and performed over 3,400 cataracts operations. A series of highly satisfactory results that make our celebratory year even more special. 20 years of struggle and projects. 20 years of cooperation and solidarity. 20 years alongside the most vulnerable people, illuminating eyes and hope... and all those still to come. Because 2021 marked the end of a major strategic plan, and in 2022, a new one will be defined; a plan which will pose new challenges, in line with the Sustainable Development Goals, and incorporate both a gender perspective and the struggle to raise awareness about the impact of climate change on eye health and minimise our environmental footprint.

Director
Anna Barba



2001

Founded by Rafael Ribó and Borja Corcóstegui, Eyes of the world became operational with the first medical-surgical commission in the Sahrawi camps



Start of the project in Mozambique: creation of an ophthalmology unit at the Inhambane Provincial Hospital



2002

2003



New programme in Bolivia: start of the project in El Alto and the surrounding rural area



Formal establishment of the territorial delegation in the Basque Country

2005

2004

Adhesion to the IAPB (International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness) and its VISION 2020 Programme



First training session for ophthalmologists in Bolivia via videoconference

5 YEARS 2006

2007



Creation of the Visions art collection with works by Tàpies, Andreu Alfaro and Manel Esclusa



Start of the project in Mali and opening of the 1st public optical workshop at the Inhambane Provincial Hospital

2008

2009

1st eye health training course for women's associations in Mopti



10 YEARS 2011

2010

1st gender study in the Sahrawi camps to gauge women's access to ophthalmological services



First decade: over 110,000 visits and close to 9,000 operations

First retina and paediatric specialists trained at the AITO in Mali



2012



Launch of the ophthalmological operating room at the San Juan de Dios Hospital in Tarija

2015

1st RAAB study in Inhambane to determine the prevalence and causes of preventable blindness: visits have been conducted with 3,000 people in 14 districts

15 YEARS
2016



Dr Said, a Sahrawi ophthalmologist, takes over permanent care responsibilities at the refugee camps in Tindouf

2018

2013



Transfer of the eye care network in El Alto to the Bolivian health authorities

2014

Creation of two new care points in Inhambane to provide rural communities access to eye health



2017

Publication of the IAPB's Vision Atlas: 75% of global cases of blindness are easily curable



2019



Approval of the Foundation's 1st gender strategy

2020

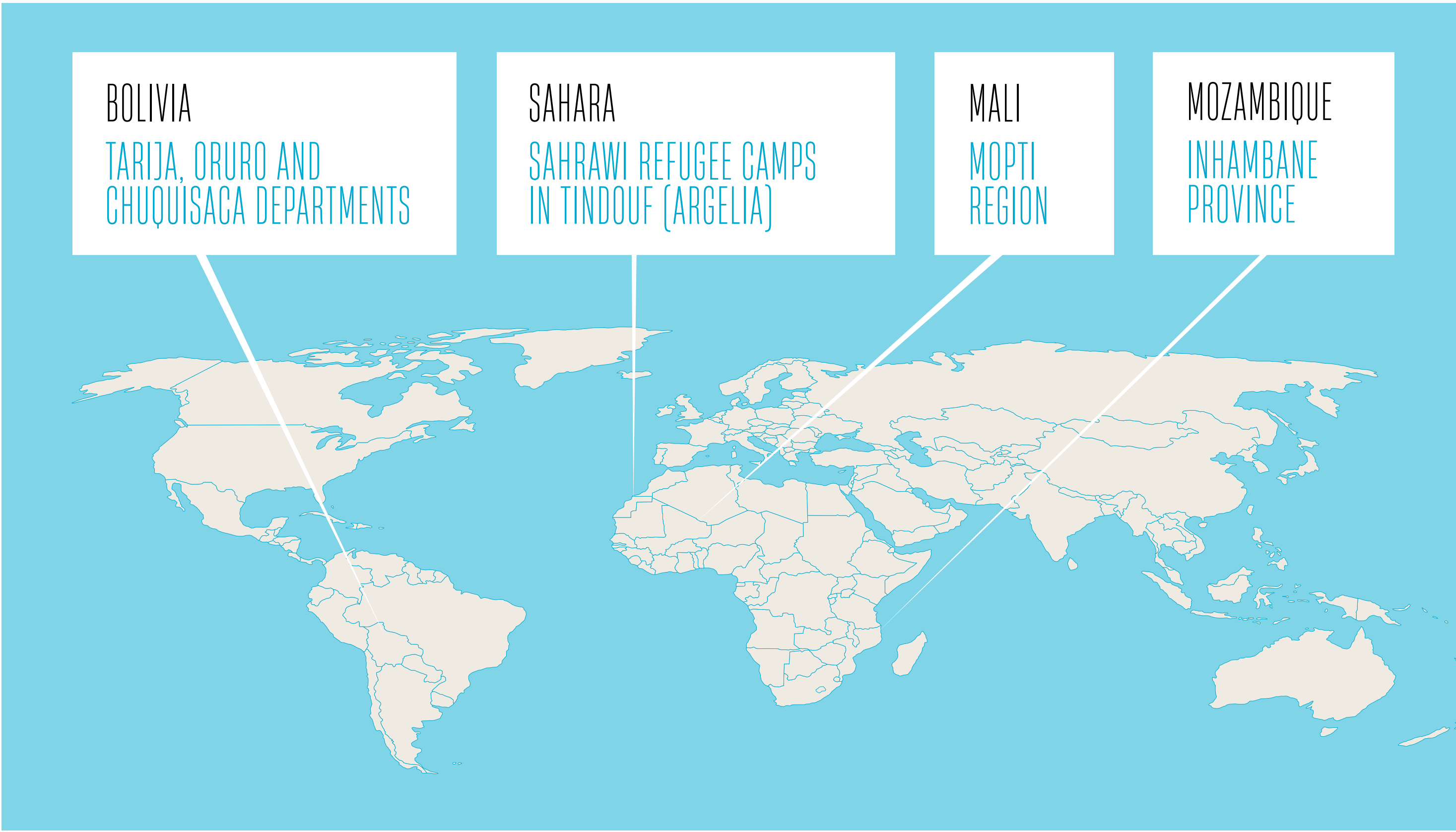
Global COVID-19 crisis: during the pandemic, the Foundation delivered protection material, promoted prevention and adapted projects to offer continual ophthalmological assistance



2021
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OPENING
EYES

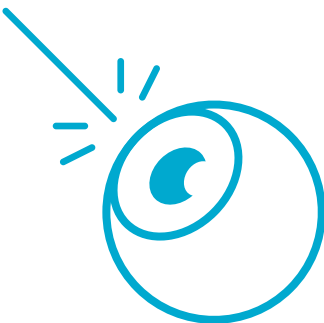
985,500
PEOPLE
ASSISTED

IN 2021



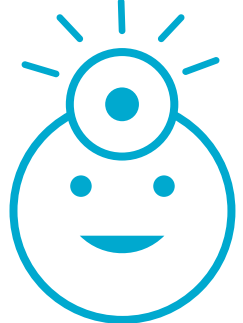
131,948 PEOPLE ASSISTED

51.9% WOMEN 63,054 MINORS (58.46% GIRLS)



3,474 SURGICAL INTERVENTIONS

48.8% WOMEN



554 TRAINED PROFESSIONALS

51.8% WOMEN



52,405 PEOPLE MADE AWARE

58.9% WOMEN

A WATCHFUL EYE ON THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE

Thousands of people from impoverished countries develop eye conditions as a result of poor sanitation or hygiene, adverse climate conditions or injuries sustained during armed conflicts. The aim of Eyes of the world is to provide all means possible to ensure that people living in areas without health or optical resources have access to eye care. In 2021, efforts were partly focused on reaching the most vulnerable groups within populations who are already vulnerable. **People whose eyesight problems are just one of the many difficulties they have in their lives.** In Mali, for instance, the communities displaced by internal armed conflicts live in camps, in incredibly vulnerable conditions, and have numerous difficulties accessing any kind of medical service. In 2021, the Foundation conducted consultation campaigns in

40 locations, to detect pathologies and procure medication, treatment and surgery. In Mozambique, the Eyes of the world team travelled to prisons to visit inmates, to remote rural villages to treat the peasant population, to care centres for older people with reduced mobility and also to see albino individuals, many of whom are marginalised and persecuted due to their appearance. In Bolivia, one of the groups who received particular attention were disabled people, who are forced to overcome many barriers to receive eye care and who were facilitated information, travel, examinations and prescription glasses.



EYES OF THE SAHARA

Border closures and security recommendations in the region prevented the deployment of the medical-surgical commissions; alternative options were therefore explored to cover the ophthalmological needs of the Sahrawi refugee population living in camps, in cooperation with the Ministry of Public Health.



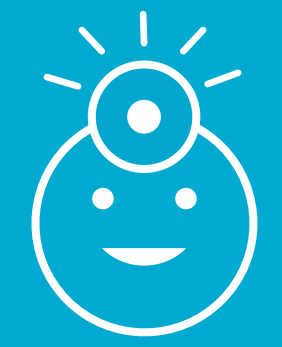
15,328 PEOPLE ASSISTED

52.09% WOMEN 11,057 MINORS (51.8% GIRLS)



211 SURGICAL INTERVENTIONS

54.98% WOMEN



76 TRAINED PROFESSIONALS

43.42% WOMEN



269 PEOPLE MADE AWARE

96.65% WOMEN



PERMANENT OPTICAL AND OPHTHALMOLOGICAL CARE

FIRST SHELTER FOR OPHTHALMOLOGY PATIENTS, IN THE BÉCHAR WILAYA

As external teams could not be deployed, a cooperation agreement was signed in May 2021 between the Ministry of Public Health and the ophthalmology hospital in the Béchar wilaya to provide additional care to Sahrawi people with eye pathologies. Within the framework of this agreement, the first shelter exclusively for people with eye conditions referred from the refugee camps was opened in August.

Eyes of the world is in charge of maintenance and all rental, supply, food, travel and staff expenses and also takes part in the patient referral and follow-up process. The number of people seen was higher than expected, with an average of 45 people per month. The refugee population continued to receive eye care from the professionals stationed in the camps throughout the year: Dr Said, the local ophthalmologist, saw 3,291 people (54.2% women), the ophthalmologists and assistants from the provincial optical workshop assisted 11,750 people (51.57% women) and, in the patients' shelter in the Béchar wilaya, 287 people were seen (49.5% women). With regards to surgery, 74 outpatient operations were performed (61% women), while 137 people underwent surgery in Béchar (52% women). During the year, 6,654 pairs of glasses were distributed: 2,430 pairs of glasses for presbyopia (55.35% women) and 4,224 pairs of glasses to correct refractive errors (50.96% women).



VISITS TO NURSERY SCHOOLS, SCHOOLS AND TENTS

EXAMINATIONS FOR CHILDREN AND PEOPLE WITH REDUCED MOBILITY

Although the schools remained closed during the initial months, examinations were performed in nursery, primary and secondary schools between October and December. As part of the screening tests conducted at schools, 5,728 girls and 5,329 boys had their eyesight checked. During that same period, visits were also carried out at centres for people with special needs, where 86 individuals (42% women) underwent an eye exam. The Foundation also worked with the local association Basmat Khayr to provide access to

vulnerable people and groups and performed examinations inside tents for people with mobility problems. 34 visits to tents in Aaiun, Smara, Bojador and Auserd and 34 at a centre for mutilated people.



RAISING AWARENESS IN CIVIL SOCIETY

GENDER- SENSITIVE AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS

Four gender-sensitive talks on eye health were organised in cooperation with the association Sahrawi Women at the Wheel, in the wilayas of Aaiun, Smara, Bojador and Auserd. They were attended by 94 women, who also had their eyesight checked. Improvements in the day to day operations of the camps were also made in a bid to reduce the barriers that prevent women from accessing eye health: with any condition, the care for and/or referral of women is priority, and starting in September, the assembly workshop at the Rabuni Hospital will make glasses in the moment, eliminating the need for a return journey. Furthermore, local media were used to promote

the awareness-raising campaigns, with 50 appearances of Sahrawi TV and radio stations.

ONLINE AND ON-SITE TRAINING SESSIONS

TRAINING IN EYE HEALTH, HEALTH PROMOTION AND SCHOOL SCREENINGS

The training of health professionals was affected by the restrictions on travel. In the second semester, 30 hours of vision therapy for children training were provided online, to 12

optometrists and 3 women workshop assistants. And in September, 61 health professionals (49% women) from regional hospitals received referral and counter-referral system training.

In November and December, the following training programmes were launched:

- Eye health training for 29 school nurses, during the examinations performed at the schools
- Child screening training for teachers from the wilayas of Smara, Auserd and Dajla (75 women and 9 men)
- Training of 62 women as health promoters (12 in Aaiun, 14 in Smara, 14 in Dajla, 8 in Bojador and 14 in Auserd)



AND ALSO...

Assembly of 6,086 pairs of glasses, 53.6% for women, at the Dajla, Bol-la and Rabuni workshops, thanks to the bulk purchase of lenses and frames in Algeria.



Strengthening of health infrastructures by improving the entrances to 5 ophthalmology clinics for people with reduced mobility.

EYES



Despite the difficulties encountered due to the restrictions in place as a result of the pandemic, in Mozambique, efforts have been made to achieve the goal of improving and strengthening the public eye health system in the province of Inhambane, by adapting the activities to the context.

OF MOZAMBIQUE



21,934 PEOPLE ASSISTED

54.91% WOMEN 6,457 MINORS (48.29% CHILD)



1,117 SURGICAL INTERVENTIONS

46.64% WOMEN



83 TRAINED PROFESSIONALS

45.78% WOMEN



149 PEOPLE MADE AWARE

43% WOMEN



PREVENTION AND IMPROVEMENT OF EYE HEALTH

SCHOOL CHECK-UPS AND MOBILE CLINICS TO REACH MORE GROUPS

Although access this year was restricted to prevent COVID-19 infections in certain places where activities had been scheduled, including day care centres for the elderly and orphanages, in 2021, we managed to extend our services to a large number of people and assist, altogether, 12,044 women and 9,890 men. Schools remain the primary target for improving eye care during childhood. School

screening campaigns were conducted at 10 schools in Zavala, Massinga, Inhambane, Maxixa and Vilankulos, in which the visual acuity of 6,457 students (48.29% girls) was assessed. These campaigns detect problems relating to refraction, conjunctivitis and strabismus, which are then explored by specialists who recommend treatment and/or prescription glasses.



Furthermore, over the course of the year, several campaigns involving mobile clinics were organised to bring eye care to the different communities: 3 visits to the correctional facility in Inhambane to check the eyesight of 148 people (28.64% women, as most inmates were men); examinations in the village of Pambane for 22 peasant women and 15 peasant men, a collective with severe vision problems due to their long exposure to the sun; and in Vilankulos, a visit to an elderly care home, where 17 women and 10 men were seen, as well as a campaign to check the eyesight of 25 albino persons (16 women and 9 men), who are stigmatised as a result of their appearance and often persecuted.

DECENTRALISATION OF EYE CARE

ASSISTANCE IN 6 HEALTH DISTRICTS

In 2021, a special effort was made to perform surgeries in districts outside Inhambane and, in doing so, reach individuals with difficulties travelling. A task that was possible thanks to cooperation between Eyes of the world and the Provincial Directorate of Health. In Inhambane, operations were performed on 310 women and 381 men; in the district of Massinga, on 43 women and 57 men; in Zavala, on 69



women and 48 men; in Chikouke, on 55 women and 68 men; and in Vilankulos, on 44 women and 42 men. Prior to the operations, the districts received all the material and equipment needed for the consultations and surgeries. An ophthalmology clinic was also set up in the district of Jangamo.

AWARENESS RAISING THROUGH THE RADIO

MESSAGES TO REACH MORE THAN ONE MILLION PEOPLE

One of the most important awareness-raising projects was carried out via radio, a means of communication that offers broad coverage and



makes it possible to engage remote and often illiterate populations. In a bid to inform, raise awareness and sensitise the rural communities in Inhambane about the benefits of good eye health for people and their families and the need for men to support women in undergoing eye examinations and treatments, the Foundation broadcast radio spots and programmes in the local language, in cooperation with the Men for Change Network (HOPEM), a non-profit organisation that works to assert the human rights of men, women, girls and boys and promote gender equality. These transmissions succeeded in generating an impact on 1,197,458 people (54.1% women). Due to the measures in place to prevent COVID-19, the health fair organised to raise awareness could not be held until October 14, World Sight Day, on which talks about eye care precautions were carried out in the Chamane neighbourhood, the Chikouke Rural Hospital,

the Massinga District Hospital and the centre for the elderly in Vilankulos. These talks were attended by 130 people (59.23% women).

GENDER-SENSITIVE TRAINING

TRAINING AND THE DISSEMINATION OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS

The inclusion of a gender perspective has been central to this year's training activities. The HOPEM Network, the Provincial Directorate of Health and Eyes of the world coordinated to work together to raise awareness among eye health workers.

To facilitate improved access to primary eye

care, 18 women and 15 traditional medicine practitioners were provided technical and scientific explanations about the onset of eye conditions and their medical solutions, so that they may work with the health administration to detect and refer patients. In schools, 20 teachers (13 men and 7 women) received training in visual acuity assessment. Training on gender equality in Mozambican legislation was provided to 26 professionals from the eye health service (17 men and 9 women). As regards optical workshops, in a bid to strengthen the capacities of workshop managers, an experience exchange was organised between the team of women who run the optician's in Vilankulos and the optical team from the Inhambane Provincial Hospital. The aim was to broaden their knowledge of glass assembly and service management.



AND ALSO...

Commission to strengthen the capacities of local health workers by the team of volunteer professionals headed by Carlos Móser, Mónica Lecumberri, Albert Montañés and Enrique Ripoll.



The women from the association AMODEVI continue to manage the optician's in Vilankulos, a groundbreaking model that strengthens the autonomy of women in positions of responsibility.

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In the midst of such major instability (the health emergency caused by COVID-19, the economic crisis that has limited resources and budgets and the political shifts which have impeded initiatives and agreements), the strategy in Bolivia has been adapted to improve eye health in Tarija, Oruro and Chuquisaca.



OF BOLIVIA



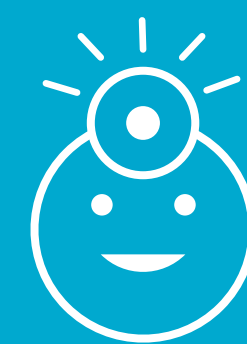
29,949 PEOPLE ASSISTED

51.39% WOMEN 14,033 MINORS (49.53% GIRLS)



220 SURGICAL INTERVENTIONS

50.9% WOMEN



332 TRAINED PROFESSIONALS

69.9% WOMEN



40,146 PEOPLE MADE AWARE

54.9% WOMEN



EYE CLINICS AND SURGERIES

TREATMENT, OPERATIONS AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF GLASSES

Although the public health system was focused on controlling the pandemic and vaccination, the ophthalmological services managed to see 11,848 people (52.4% women) in Tarija; 11,806 people (52% women) in Oruro; and 6,295 people (48.7% women) in Chuquisaca. Altogether, the Bolivian programme distributed 3,978 pairs of prescription glasses (56.3% to women). The restrictions in place at hospitals hindered the surgical commissions. In Tarija, Eyes of the world contributed to 2 commissions, at the Fray Quebracho Hospital in Yacuiba (organised by the Ministry of Health and Sports) and the San Juan de Dios Hospital in Tarija (led by the department's Governor's Office), which

performed cataract surgery on 36 women and 28 men. A fully equipped mobile ophthalmology clinic and surgery was also delivered to the Ministry of Health and Sports. In Oruro, 106 people underwent cataract



surgery (50 men, 55 women and 1 child). The Ministry launched the Ophthalmology Service at San Juan de Dios General Hospital to provide permanent surgical care. A plan to help finance transport and accompaniment services for people with difficulties, primarily women, was also implemented, thanks to which 52% of the individuals who benefited from surgery were women. In Chuquisaca, in light of the restrictions in place at the Santa Bárbara Public Hospital, an agreement was signed with the Tomás Katari Polytechnic Institute Hospital to provide surgical supplies, thanks to which 21 women and 29 men with limited financial resources underwent surgery.

CARE FOR THE STUDENT POPULATION

EDUCATIONAL MESSAGES AND TEACHER TRAINING TO PERFORM SCREENINGS

Due to the fact that classes at schools in peri-urban areas were held online, most activities were focused on rural areas, where classes were partly held on-site. Work was conducted in small groups to minimise the risk of infection, while efforts revolved around strengthening the identification of refractive errors through teacher training and support material. In Tarija, 558 women teachers and 270 male



teachers in Uriondo, Yacuiba, Cercado, Bermejo and Entre Ríos received training on how to perform school screenings. The visual acuity of 4,606 students (50.3% girls) was assessed, and 1,005 pairs of glasses were distributed (55.3% to girls). Talks aimed at raising awareness about eye health were carried out both on-site and online, reaching a total of 10,179 children (49.8% girls) from 84 schools. In Oruro, 349 women teachers and 252 male teachers from 66 rural educational units in Caracollo and Eucaliptus received training. The eyesight of 5,217 students (49% girls) was checked; lenses were given to 382 (51.3% girls); and the awareness of 14,167 (49.8% girls) was raised through on-site talks, social media and other media sources. In Chuquisaca, 299 teachers (59.2% women) received training in visual acuity screening. The teachers performed screening tests on 1,554 students (49.3% girls), distributed glasses to 124 girls and 151 boys and raised the awareness of 1,605 students in person (47% girls).

EYE HEALTH TRAINING

TRAINING FOR HEALTH WORKERS AND CIVIL SOCIETY

On a professional level, training activities for primary health workers were organised to teach them how to detect, refer and/or treat basic eye conditions. In Tarija, participants included 124 women and 41 men; in Oruro, 94 women and 49 men; and in Chuquisaca 14 women and 10 men. During the intensive surgical campaigns, Dr Luis Alberto Pereira trained 2 women ophthalmologists and 2 male ophthalmologists in Tarija and 5 ophthalmologists in Oruro, to improve their surgical skills.

As regards civil society, mention must be made of the training given to eye health promoters, whose job it is to offer preventive care to the most vulnerable populations. In Tarija, training was given to 727 people (76.2% women); in Oruro, to 505 people (80.2% women); and in Chuquisaca, to 84 people (87% women).



AWARENESS-RAISING ACTIVITIES

DISSEMINATION AND PROMOTION OF GENDER EQUALITY

On-site talks at health centres, women's associations, markets and fairs; talks held online, via WhatsApp or by telephone; educational messages and programmes broadcast via radio and television... Numerous resources for promoting gender-sensitive awareness campaigns about eye health, geared towards providing information about eye care and the prevention of eye conditions, as well as access to cataract surgery and post-operational care, prioritising the female public in a bid to empower women and enable them make their own decisions about their health. In Tarija, this campaign reached a total of 29,317 people (55.5% women); in Oruro, 21,300 people (54.8% women); and in Chuquisaca, 4,866 people (58.4% women).

AND ALSO...

Special attention for disabled groups, providing ophthalmological assistance to 239 people (49% women), 211 pairs of prescription glasses (48% women) and 750 hygiene and COVID-19 prevention kits.



1,894 participants in the events organised to celebrate World Sight Day, including health fairs and talks, promotional materials, school competitions and charity walks.

EYES



OF MALI

Although the difficult socioeconomic situation and insecurity continue to hinder access to eye care for most of the population, Eyes of Mali focuses its efforts on improving eye health in the region of Mopti, thus contributing to the struggle against poverty and exclusion.



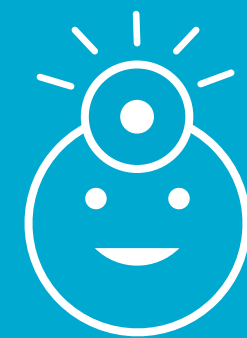
64,737 PEOPLE ASSISTED

51.11% WOMEN 31,507 MINORS (50% GIRLS)



1,926 SURGICAL INTERVENTIONS

49.12% WOMEN



63 TRAINED PROFESSIONALS

30% WOMEN



11,841 PEOPLE MADE AWARE

71.89% WOMEN



EXAMINATION CAMPAIGNS AND SURGICAL COMMISSIONS

INCREASED VISITS AT CAMPS FOR DISPLACED PERSONS AND SCHOOLS

The total number of people exceeded the previously established targets: 17,366 women, 15,864 men and 31,507 children. The reason was the increased number of visits at camps for people displaced by internal conflicts and schools.

Over the course of the year, 14 consultation campaigns were conducted at 40 camps for internally displaced persons in the districts of Bandiagara, Bankass, Koro, Mopti, Douentza and Djenné. Altogether, 8,217 women, 6,672 men, 2,722 girls and 2,606 boys were seen, and 1,137



cases of cataracts (53.2% women) were detected. The Foundation donated all the medicinal products meant for patients during these mass visits (eyewash and ointments) to the reference health centres (CSRéfs) free of charge.

All school screenings were conducted during the first semester, with support from 7 ophthalmology medical assistants. Altogether, 22,867 students (49.87% girls) from 82 schools had their eyesight checked, 254 of whom presented refractive errors and to whom 242 pairs of glasses were distributed.

As part of the surgical campaigns that took place at the Sominé Dolo Hospital and the reference health centres in Bankass, Mopti, Bandiagara, Koro and Djenné, 900 women and 1,026 men underwent cataracts surgery. The centres in Koro, Bandiagara, Djenné and Bankass received support in the form of surgical kits containing all the disposable material required to perform these operations.

FEWER BARRIERS HINDERING ACCESS TO EYE HEALTH

ACTIVITIES THAT GENERATE INCOME FOR VULNERABLE WOMEN

In Mali, women tend to have less access to the family's financial resources, which makes paying for eye care services or transport difficult. As a result, 2021 saw the launch of a programme aimed at giving women means and financial independence to reduce the barriers to ophthalmological care and surgery. This "micro-credit" project began with several awareness-raising meetings with the Coordinating Body for Women's Associations



and NGOs (known by the French acronym CAFO) in Koro, strengthening its capacity by donating equipment and material, creating a committee to manage the funds and an account at a local bank (Banque Malienne de Solidarité) and implementing the management tools and internal regulations needed to reach consensus decisions. The first beneficiaries were 50 visually impaired women, widows as a result of armed conflict, who received financial support to carry out activities such as transforming local agricultural products or animal rearing. The aim of these resources is to enable them to make decisions about their own health.

THEORETICAL AND PRACTICAL TRAINING

CONTINUED STRENGTHENING OF EYE HEALTH SKILLS

Although some of the ophthalmology subspecialty training activities that were originally scheduled to be held were ultimately cancelled for security reasons, the theoretical training workshops about the influence of gender and equality on access to primary health care in Mopti did go ahead and were attended by 4 female and 10 male centre technical directors (CTDs), as did the practical course for monitoring diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, attended by 17 CTDs (4 women and 13 men). Capacity-building workshops were also organised for 31 agents (14 women) involved in reducing and managing biomedical waste.

Furthermore, Dr Ibrahim Bamanta, an ophthalmologist at the Sominé Dolo Hospital in Mopti, finished the paediatric ophthalmology training he began in 2020, thus strengthening his ability to address childhood eye diseases.

ERADICATING TRACHOMA IN KORO AND TENENKOU

SANITATION, DRINKING WATER, HYGIENE AND PREVENTION

In the district of Koro, one of the priority areas in the fight against trachoma, 3 wells were rehabilitated in the villages of Péné, Tonnon and

Guingal, as were 3 public latrines in Korporo-pen and Koporo-nah. Adequate biomedical waste treatment systems were also implemented through the purchase and donation of 41 bins and 15 trolleys and the construction of an incinerator.

Local radio stations were used to disseminate messages to inform the population and raise awareness about the prevention of trachoma, which reached 42,126 people. In addition, 24 women's associations from the CAFO and 9 community agents were given a basic grounding in eye care.



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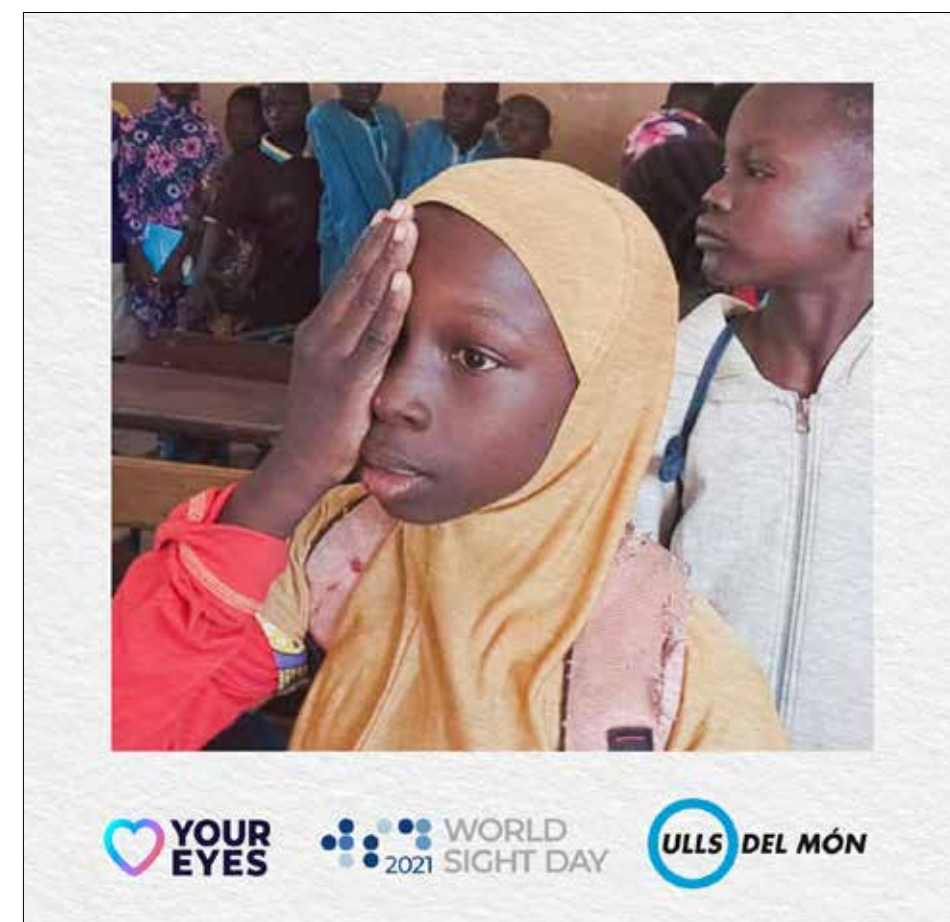
Distribution of 1,149 corrective glasses, 84% of which were manufactured in the optical workshops at the Sominé Dolo Hospital in Mopti and the Bankass CSRéf.



Social mobilisation prior to the surgical commissions through campaigns with 6 local radio stations and the mass dissemination of information by women from the CAFO.

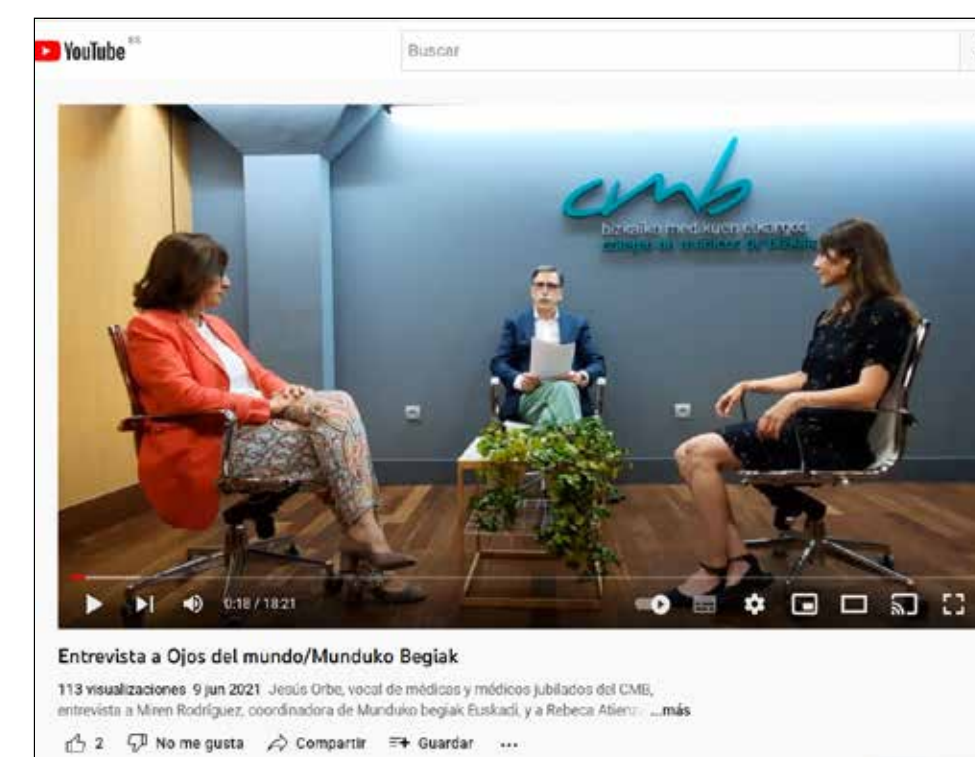
COMMUNICATION FOR CHANGE

Eyes of the world's transformative approach to education encompasses activities related to inequalities in the world population's access to eye health; thought-provoking activities that encourage people to become involved in social change and global justice.



Over the course of 2021, efforts were made to reinforce digital communication with website and social media posts and actions aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals, as well as the interactive, gender-sensitive campaign on the right to health, which, through testimonies from couples in Mozambique, shed light on how certain men have adjusted their roles to help their wives undergo cataract surgery. To mark World Sight Day, Eyes of the world joined the International Agency for the Prevention of

Blindness (IAPB) initiative #LoveYourEyes, which places priority emphasis on the importance of eye health and the need for regular eye examinations, and its global challenge #EveryoneCounts, with the goal of encouraging one million people to have their eyesight checked. The Foundation organised workshops, talks, fairs and activities to once again assert eye health as a universal right. In the Basque Country and Navarre, a number of awareness-raising actions were conducted throughout the year to reach different groups. In May, the Biscay Medical Association screened the documentary *Gabor*, while on June 21, it hosted



an interview-colloquium that was broadcast via its YouTube channel, in which Dr Rebeca Atienza, a Foundation volunteer, and Miren Rodríguez, coordinator of Munduko begiak, discussed the importance of the Basque health community's involvement in ensuring universal access to sight. The subject of eye health was also discussed with students from the Burlada Integrated Vocational Training Centre in Navarre, with a workshop in June on eyesight problems in vulnerable settings and the need to care for one's eyes. The Foundation also took part in several fairs, such as the 7th Alternative and Solidarity Economy Fair in Zarautz on October 23 and the Volunteer Fair at the University of Deusto on September 29.

AN EYE-OPENING NIGHT

Each year, the Foundation organises a charity dinner called The Eyes of the world Night, as a means of raising awareness about inadequate eye care in the most vulnerable areas, reporting the annual results and raising funds for its programmes. In 2021, this event coincided with the commemoration of the Foundation's 20th anniversary and World Sight Day, on October 14. The dinner took place in Barcelona, in the Pedralbes Palace's private garden, and was presided by the Government of Catalonia's minister of Health, Josep Maria Argimon. An eye-opening night for Catalan society and one that will continue to open the eyes of those most in need, as €130,000 were raised for projects aimed at preventing and combating preventable blindness.



AUDIOVISUAL IMMERSION

Eyes of the world invited all volunteers, contributors, partners and donators to celebrate the Foundation's 20th anniversary at the IDEAL Centre for Digital Arts in Barcelona on July 22, with an immersive experience that explored the work of Gustav Klimt through different technological formats. A veritable treat for the senses, dedicated to those individuals who help the Foundation take care of the sense of sight.

NEW DELEGATION IN PAMPLONA

On December 14, Eyes of the world/Munduko begiak celebrated the opening of its delegation in Pamplona with a presentation event at the Geltoki Cultural Centre. The Foundation established offices in Navarre in 2013; in 2018, it began carrying out activities related to education for social transformation; and in 2021, it took steps to enhance its presence in the region with a team that can form new partnerships with individuals, companies and institutions.



JOINING FORCES

With the Visions art collection, which includes close to 90 works donated by over 70 contemporary artists, the Foundation introduces the public to the inequalities that exist in the world of eye health and raises funds to implement its projects. One of the most popular works in 2021 was the sculpture 'Janus' by Jaume Plensa. The Foundation also raises funds through charitable collaborations such as the Fondazione Ennio de Rigo and General Optica initiative, whereby for every Sting Junior frame sold, 2 Euros go to Eyes of the world projects aimed at improving the eyesight of disadvantaged youth. In Gipuzkoa, the Klink gastronomic society in Hondarribia organised the activity "Kroketa Solidarioa" in November, in which, thanks to the cooperation of a large team of volunteers, they prepared 6,000 croquettes and raised over €2,300 for projects aimed at supporting communities of women in Mali.

FINANCIAL DATA

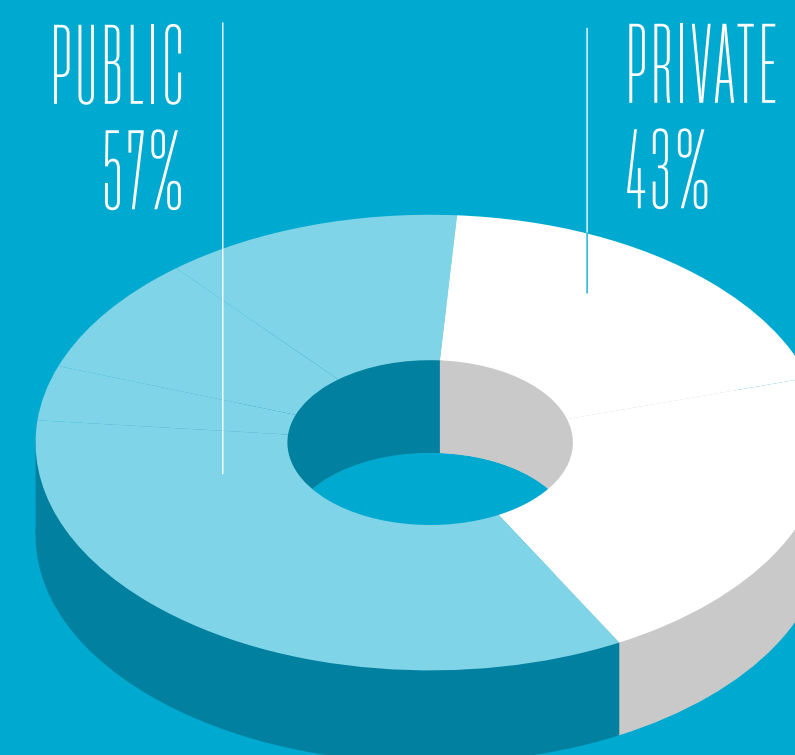
REVENUE

PUBLIC	€919,937
Foundational institutional trusts	€145,000
Cooperation grants	€774,937
PRIVATE	€681,575
Companies and entities	€382,883
Individual members	€28,941
One-off donors	€33,210
The Eyes of the World Night	€131,540
Art collection	€105,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	€1,601,511

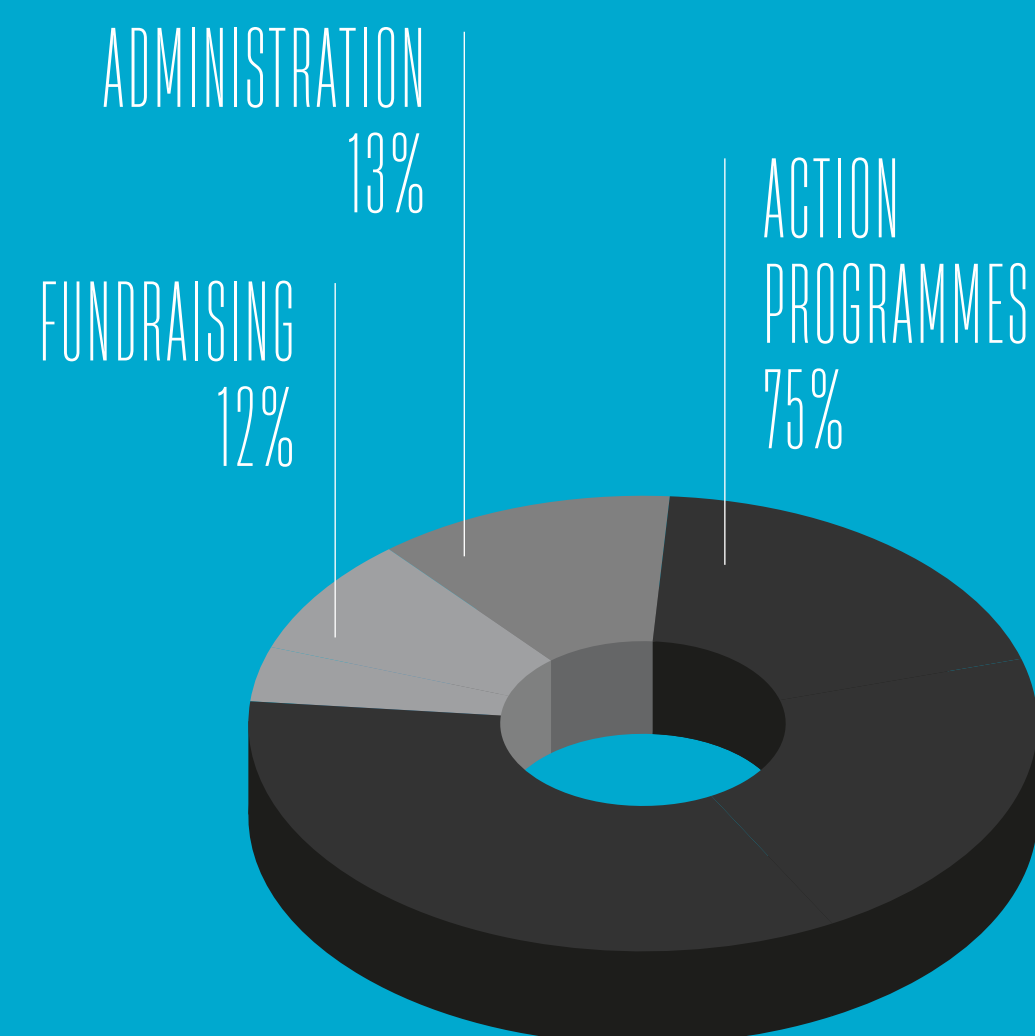
EXPENDITURE

ACTION PROGRAMMES	€1,198,763	9%
Development cooperation	€1,092,215	9%
Eyes of Sahara	€145,653	4%
Eyes of Mozambique	€300,703	10%
Eyes of Bolivia	€378,939	6%
Eyes of Mali	€266,920	14%
Education for global justice	€106,548	13%
FUNDRAISING	€200,156	2%
ADMINISTRATION	€203,198	2%
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	€1,602,117	7%

REVENUE



EXPENDITURE



The result of the financial year is transferred to the retained earnings account.

PARTNERSHIPS

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATIONS

FOUNDATION TRUSTEES



LOCAL AUTHORITIES



OTHER PUBLIC BODIES



PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS

COLLABORATING ENTITIES



COLLABORATIONS

LABORATORIES AND ORGANISATIONS LINKED TO THE HEALTH SECTOR

Angelini Farmacéutica, Bausch & Lomb, Bloss Group, Col·legi Oficial de Metges de Barcelona, Col·legi Oficial d'Òptics i Optometristes de Catalunya, Colegio de Médicos de Bizkaia, Colegio de Médicos de Gipuzkoa, Federóptics Ipar, Izar Optika, Laboratorio Théa, Oftaltech Solutions, Óptica Zarautz, Quinta Delegación del Colegio de Ópticos-Optometristas, Topcon

OTHER ENTITIES

AC Hotels by Marriott, Ágora Bolivia, Banc Sabadell, Bankia, Banco Nacional de Bolivia, Bidons Egara, Bonita, Bonpreu i Esclat, Bufete Guerrero Castro, CI Burlada FP, Clían Holding, Club de Leones, Codorniu, Consorci per a la Normalització Lingüística, Consorci de la Zona Franca de Barcelona, Creative Technology Spain, Chis&Keik Departamento de Internet, DKV Assegurances, Espacio Geltoki, Fanorsan, Fundación Alicia Koplowitz, Fundació Antoni Serra Santamans, Fundació Damm, Fundació Vila Casas, Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, Fundação Champalimaud, Grupo Ercilla, IDEAL Centre d'Arts Digitals de Barcelona, IDS Servicios y Soluciones Tecnológicas, MRW, Port de Barcelona, RBA, Sauleda, Sociedad Gastronómica Klink, Synergic

Research & Consultancy, Universidad de Deusto, Universidad del País Vasco

THE MEDIA

Ara, COPE Euskadi, Diario Vasco, Gipuzkoa Médica, Gipuzkoa Kutxa Solidarioa, La Vanguardia, Noticias de Gipuzkoa, Ràdio Molins de Rei, Xarxanet

INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

- International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB)
- IAPB CAWG (Climate Action Work Group)
- IAPB GEWG (Gender Equity Work Group)
- World Health Organization (WHO) Alliance for the Global Elimination of Trachoma by 2020 (GET 2020) + International Trachoma Control Coalition (ICTC)
- Mozambican Eye Care Coalition (MECC)
- VISION 2020 Latin America

COLLABORATIONS ON THE GROUND

SAHARA

ANARASD, Medicus Mundi Catalunya y Asociación Basmat Khayr.

MOZAMBIQUE

AMODEVI (Associação Comunitaria de Vilankulo), HOPEM (Homens pela Mudança) e AMETRAMO (Associação de Médicos Tradicionais de Moçambique).

BOLIVIA

Tarija: Asociación Vendedoras mercado Eduardo Avaroa, Club de Leones "Manos Amigas", Organización Territorial de base comunidad campesina San Isidro, Junta vecinal OTB Luis Pizarro, Promotores vendedoras Mercado San Bernardo, Promotoras Urbanización Discapacitados Los Ángeles, Centro de Rehabilitación y Capacitación para personas ciegas (CERECCI), Promotores Organización 12 de abril Chocloca, Promotoras EPSA-CAP-YES Comunidad Ancón Chico, Promotoras Junta Vecinal Barrio Virgen de Fátima, Junta vecinal Barrio Virgen de Fátima, Organización de madres de familia Ancón Grande, Centro de Rehabilitación y Capacitación para personas ciegas (CERECCI) 15

de abril, Promotores IBC Cercado, Organización Social 1 de abril (Pampa Galena) FEDJUVE, IBC Yacuiba, Promotores SLIM Bermejo, Promotores UMADIS Bermejo, Promotoras Leonas Bermejo y Apresia: Centro de Rehabilitación para personas ciegas y con baja visión.

Oruro: Asociación de Articulación de Mujeres por la Equidad y la igualdad (AMUPEI), Cáritas Bolivia, Bono Juan Azuurdy Grupo "Ojitos lindos de Curahuara, Bono Juan Azuurdy Grupo "Ojos de Aguila Curahuara Marca", Bono Juan Azuurdy Grupo "Ojos del Cielo Curahuara", Bono Juan Azuurdy Grupo Mujeres Curahuara Marca, Soni Uta Choque Marca, Bono Juan Azuurdy Grupo Curahuara Uta, Organización de mujeres de la Plataforma de Género de FEDJUVE, Estudiantes de Enfermería Cruz Roja Filial Oruro, Asociación Herbolaria Paraíso, Mundo Medicina, Rafael Pabón y San Lucas, UMADIS Caracollo y UMADIS Challapata. **Chuquisaca:** Fundación Ayninakuna, Fundación Levántate Mujer, Fundación Hostelling – One Glasses, Organización Food for the Hungry Bolivia y Organización Apresia.

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COUNTERPARTIES

SAHARA

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MOZAMBIQUE

Direção Provincial de Saúde de Inhambane e Ministério da Saúde.

BOLIVIA

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Corea y Servicio Departamental de Gestión Social (SEDEGES) de Oruro), Gobierno Autónomo Regional del Gran Chaco (incluye Hospital de Yacuiba Rubén Zelaya y Centro Oftalmológico del Ministerio de Salud), Gobiernos Autónomos Municipales de Tarija (Secretaría de Género), Unidad Municipal de Discapacidad (UMADIS) del Gobierno Autónomo Municipal de Villamontes, Centro de Rehabilitación UMADIS de Caracollo, Corque y Carpari, SLIM Cercado (Servicio Legal Integral Municipal del municipio de Cercado), Régimen Penitenciario de Mujeres la Merced en Oruro, Régimen Penitenciario de Varones San Pedro en Oruro y Gobierno Autónomo Municipal de Poroma (Chuquisaca).

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