

Mali

Since 1996 Helen Keller Intl has helped Malian communities overcome health and nutrition barriers. Working closely with the Ministry of Health and other partners, we prevent and treat debilitating neglected tropical diseases and in 2023, we were proud to help Mali become the 17th country to eliminate trachoma as a public health problem. We also protect the health of children and women with vitamin A for children under the age of 5, prenatal vitamins for pregnant women, and by improving the quality of local fortified flour.



Number of staff: **36**
People reached annually: **16.6 million**



Office opened: **1996**
Operating budget: **\$4.7 million**

Challenges



7 million children aged 5 to 14 suffer from schistosomiasis, causing chronic infection, anemia, and even death.

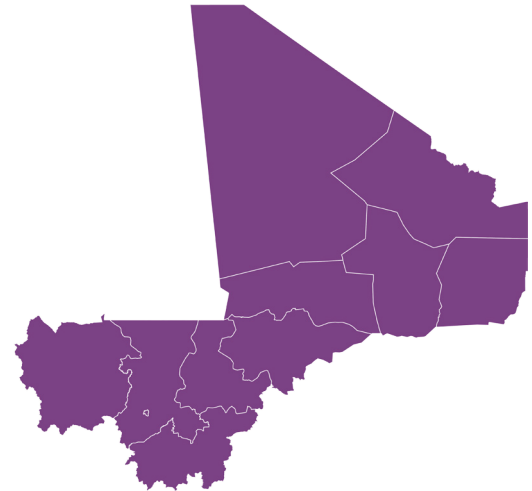


38% of children under the age of 5 suffer from acute malnutrition.



More than 63% of women of childbearing age are anemic, greatly impacting the health of themselves and future children.

Where We Work



- Bamako
- Gao
- Kayes
- Kidal
- Koulikoro
- Menaka
- Mopti
- Ségou
- Sikasso
- Taoudenit
- Tombouctou

Our Solutions



Partner with the government to distribute praziquantel and ivermectin through mass drug campaigns.



Distribute twice annual vitamin A to children 6 to 59 months of age to build health, immunity, and clear vision.



Help pregnant women access multiple micronutrient supplements, protecting their health and nutrition more than iron-folic acid alone.



Our Impact

- ✓ Reached more than 4 million children aged 5 to 14 with lifesaving drug treatment to prevent parasitic infections that impact child development.
- ✓ Ensured good health for 2.2 million children under the age of 5 by providing twice annual vitamin A supplementation.
- ✓ Supported more than 3,400 pregnant women with comprehensive prenatal vitamins as part of an effort to test acceptance and advocate for a transition from the traditional iron-folic acid supplementation approach.

Key partners: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, END Fund, GiveWell, USAID

About Helen Keller Intl

Helen Keller Intl partners with communities that are striving to overcome longstanding cycles of poverty. By delivering the essential building blocks of good health, sound nutrition, and clear vision, the organization helps millions of people create lasting change in their own lives. Working in 20 countries – across Africa, Asia, Europe, and the United States – and together with a global community of supporters, Helen Keller helps to ensure every person has the opportunity – as Helen did – to reach their true potential.

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