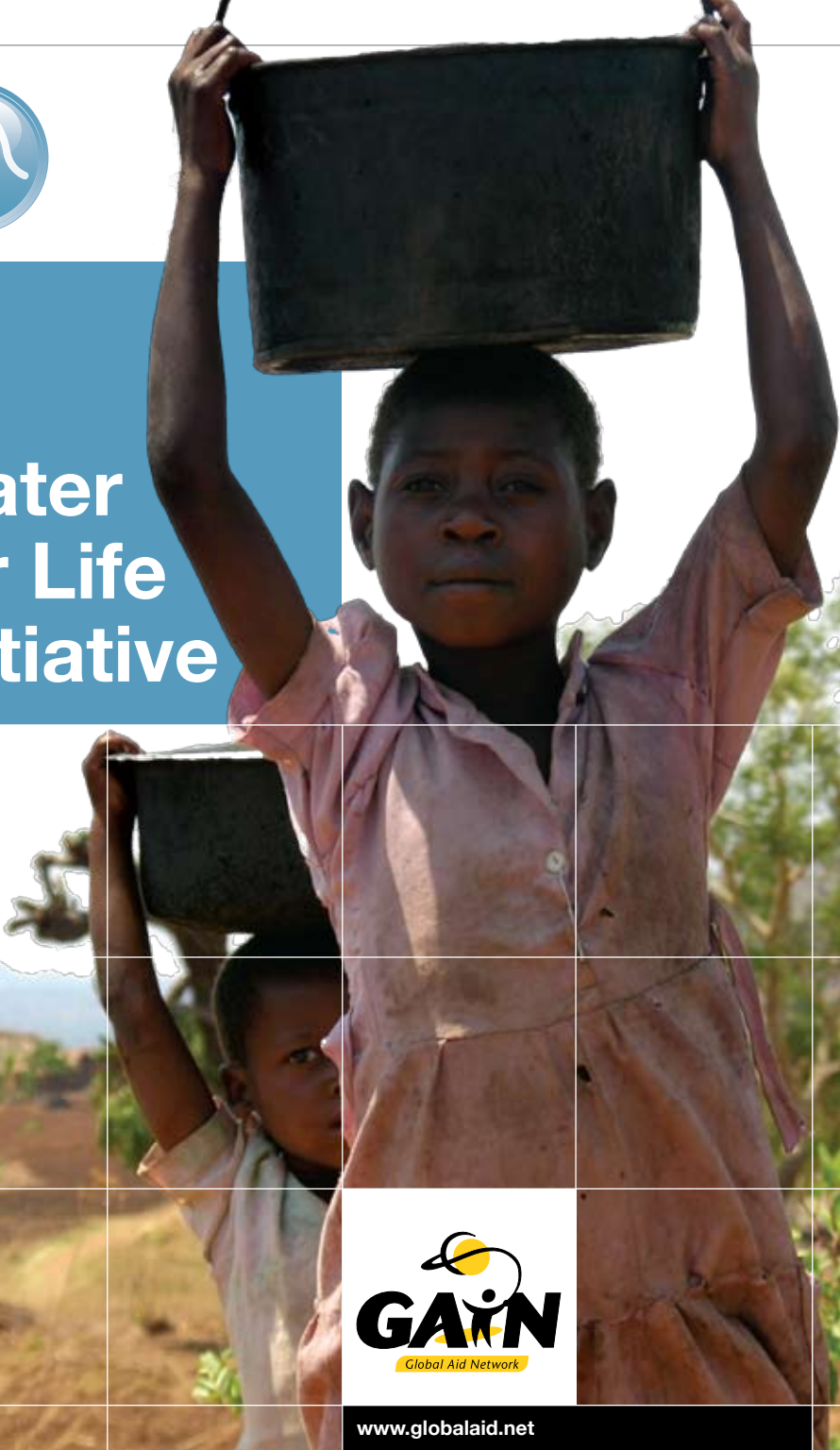




Water for Life Initiative



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In Africa, they say, water is life...

A woman will walk upwards of five kilometres a day to gather water for her family. She longs to bring them life, but tragically, she also brings them death.

The water she labours to fill her containers with is murky, filled with bacteria and parasites. She walks the long journey home to her children, the disease-riddled water atop her head. She sacrifices so much for her family, and yet, the very water she provides could ultimately cause their death.

Diseases like cholera, dysentery, typhoid fever and guinea worm parasites plague these people whose only source of water is contaminated. As a result, people suffer abdominal cramping, diarrhea, vomiting, fever and headaches. Children are especially vulnerable.

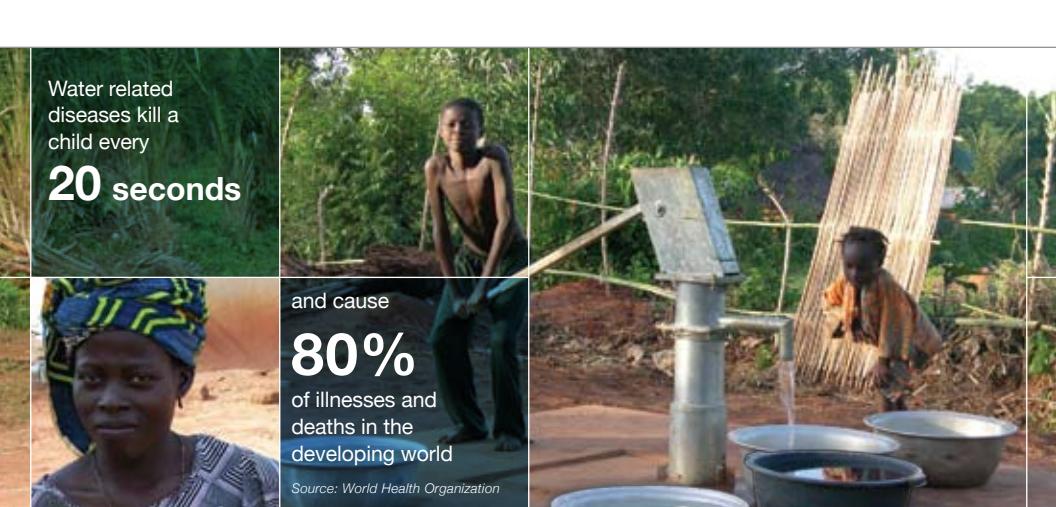


884

million people have
no access to safe
drinking water

3.5

million people
die every year
because of it



Water related
diseases kill a
child every

20 seconds

and cause

80%

of illnesses and
deaths in the
developing world

Source: World Health Organization

It doesn't have to be this way. Often, just 80 meters below their feet are aquifers of pure, disease-free drinking water. By drilling one deep-water well, **Global Aid Network (GAiN)** can help to break the cycle of disease and death and transform communities for a lifetime.

GAiN's Water for Life Initiative began as a small well-drilling project in the villages of southern China, and has since grown to include a variety of nations throughout the developing world where clean water sources are few. In Africa we have already witnessed hundreds of villages throughout Benin, Sudan, Tanzania and Togo literally transformed by the power of fresh disease-free water.



Global Aid Network (GAiN)

A worldwide humanitarian relief and development organization dedicated to bringing hope and tangible help to the poor and suffering.

Our mission is to demonstrate the love of God—in word and deed—to hurting and needy people around the world through relief and development projects.

GAiN is the humanitarian division of Power to Change and is a registered non-profit. From our humble beginnings we have grown to become part of a diverse global network with offices in Canada, United States, Germany, Australia, Austria, South

Korea and Holland. With distribution communities established throughout Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East and the Americas, **GAiN's** compassionate reach is truly worldwide.

Since beginning in 1998, **GAiN Canada** has mobilized resources to help people in over 43 countries around the world.



“I have founded a number of energy related companies over the years and have found that the prerequisite for success is having key personnel in place to move the company ahead. GAiN Canada excels in this regard in all areas.”

Bruce Chandler

Principal, Collingwood Ethanol



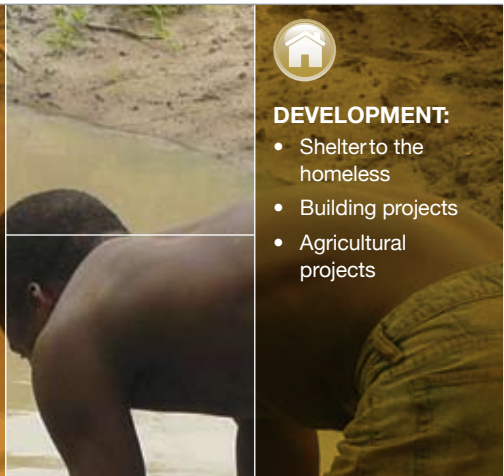
CHILDREN:

- Child sponsorship and orphanage support
- Widows and destitute women
- SportAid outreach, clinics, games
- Health and sanitation training
- Trauma counseling



DEVELOPMENT:

- Shelter to the homeless
- Building projects
- Agricultural projects



WATER FOR LIFE INITIATIVE:

- Water to the thirsty
- Medical attention to the needy
- Hygiene and sanitation training



HUMANITARIAN AID:

- Food for the hungry
- Clothing and other non-food items

DISASTER RESPONSE:

- Crisis response
- Medical relief, trauma training and counseling via our Acts of Love Emergency Response Team (A.L.E.R.T.)



It all starts with a well...

Once a deep-capped well is drilled, villages can get involved with additional opportunities that continue to enhance and improve their community.

Borehole Committee Training

In every village where GAiN drills a water well a borehole committee is elected with at least 50% of the committee being female. GAiN provides training for the committee in well maintenance, repair and best water-use practices. Establishing this group encourages community ownership, sustainability, and provides citizens an opportunity to govern the gift of water that has been given.

Hygiene & Sanitation Training

Often, many people in developing nations do not understand what causes their illnesses. To improve the overall health of communities, GAiN deploys a team of trained volunteers to educate people about sanitation and hygiene practices.

Medical & Dental Clinics

After suffering for so long due to illness and disease caused by contaminated water, hundreds of local people line up for GAiN's medical and dental clinics for the basic care they so desperately need. As a follow-up program to a freshly dug water well, these clinics provide an opportunity to demonstrate the love of God, in word and deed.



**One water well
can transform
a village:**



Hope
is renewed



Lifestyles
are transformed




**Women +
children**
no longer carry water
over extremely long
distances



**Economic
activity**
is enthused



Health
is restored



For
every
10
wells:



4,000s

receive care
at medical and
dental clinics



10,000

receive clean,
disease-free water



100s

receive hygiene and
sanitation training

Long-term Sustainability

Focusing on productive wells not only brings clean water, but also lifts the dignity and self-respect of the local people. The uniqueness of this program is through our partnerships. By training and employing national people to drill wells throughout the country, it is our desire to foster a sense of ownership that transforms their way of life. **GAiN** also works in close partnership with local villages, training locals for ongoing maintenance and upkeep of the pumps.

Unlike some aid agencies who drill shallow wells at lower costs, tapping into sub-surface water, **GAiN** drills wells to an average depth of 60-80 meters (180-240 feet). This ensures we always tap into pure, un-contaminated aquifers.

Clean, disease-free water sources are needed desperately in many countries throughout the world. **GAiN** is expanding efforts to bring pure, life-giving water to those in need.

Neither the partnerships nor the success of the water-well initiative could be achieved without the participation of compassionate and generous financial partners. Investing in water wells is a life-saving, as well as lifelong gift to thousands of people in need.



Investment Opportunities

The **Water for Life Initiative** can literally break the cycle of suffering and death that contaminated drinking water has caused for generations. Please join us in bringing pure water, health, and hope to suffering people around the world.

“My people are no longer weakened by sickness and weary from their daily water excursions. Instead of spending 5 hours a day packing water, the women and children are able to spend more time tending their crops and performing other income-producing activities which helps us escape from the weight of poverty.”

A village elder

**\$8,500-
10,000¹**

= 1 well




= 1,000

People supplied with fresh water



¹ Cost per well is dependent on drilling depth, geological subsurface and additional community services provided.

 = 100 people



Water Makes a Difference

When **GAiN** first arrived in the village of Guede Codji in Benin, Africa, clean water was a scarce resource. Villagers had been drinking the contaminated water from a local hand-dug well for many years and they had given up hope that they would ever have fresh water.

One man writes, “Political leaders used to come to us promising that they would give us access to clean water. They never came back after the elections. Why should we believe that GAiN will be any different?”

But **GAiN** did return, not only with promises, but ready to take action. **GAiN** drilled a deep water well in the village of Guede Codji and healthy, pure water is now abundant to all who need it.



1,000
individuals from
surrounding villages
benefit from the
single well in
Guede Codji



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