

Confronting Crisis by Catalyzing Change



Reflecting on three years of impact and insight

The Covid-19 pandemic touched every corner of the world and made our lives, our communities, and our countries far worse off. Yet, for people around the world, it was one of many crises over the last twenty years. Unfortunately, these crises impact the poorest and most vulnerable among us. With a deep history in public health and food security, The Rockefeller Foundation and its partners had the experience, risk appetite, relationships, and credibility needed to propel systemic change. As a result, we spent the last three years seeking new scientific advances, committing unprecedented resources, forming vast partnerships, and continuously measuring our results to identify what was working and what was not.

This report lays out our work in data and stories, capturing what we and our partners have achieved from 2020 to 2022 as concisely as possible. We acknowledge and are grateful for all our partners' collaboration, even though we could not describe all of their work in one report.

With hundreds of partners that ranged from G7 governments and multinational companies to health workers and community-based organizations on the frontlines, our collective goal was to improve health, opportunity, and nourishment around the world.

What we and our partners achieved: select impact by the numbers

Health

50 Million

Covid-19 tests donated or procured by grantees in Latin America

4.5 Million

Covid-19 tests delivered to U.S. communities through Project ACT

64 Thousand

vaccinations administered by Equity-First Vaccination Initiative (EVI) partners across 4K+ local community events across 5 U.S. cities

Opportunity

130 Thousand

tons of CO₂ reduced or averted by projects in 7 countries

1.4 Million

people impacted by new or improved renewable energy connections across 7 countries

17 Million

adults and 27M children benefited from temporary U.S. federal Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credit expansions

Good Food

11.2 Million

farmers directly reached across the African continent through AGRA

176 Million

meals served during Covid-19 emergency school feeding initiative across 15 U.S. districts

7 Countries

committed to serve 13M students with nutrient-dense meals, including Rwanda, Burundi, Benin, Ghana, Kenya, Tanzania, and Malawi

What we learned

The results of these three years of collaborative work extend far beyond these numbers. They have taught us a great deal about our work. The report contains many lessons, some are:

Real change often comes from the involvement of big, global partners as well as capable local grantees, who work wonders on the ground. Time and again, we were reminded **how critical it is to lead by listening and collaborating.**

Honest reflection helps identify missteps early and saves abundant time, resources, and frustrations down the line. Building networks across actors with shared experiences and goals is a way to create positive impact. But building institutions is not always easy or necessary.

The world's challenges don't sit in a silo, and neither should our teams.

Developing this report offered an invaluable opportunity for us to reflect on why we and our partners succeeded and how we can improve. Its publication is a chance to share our learnings honestly and widely. We hope you'll learn as much from this report as we have in developing it. Read the full report [here](#).

