



FRIENDS
OF THE GLOBAL FIGHT

AGAINST AIDS,
TUBERCULOSIS
AND MALARIA

Join us in building U.S. support for the Global Fund and ending AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria and other pandemics

Friends of the Global Fight is the leading U.S.-based advocate for the [Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria](#) (Global Fund), the largest global health funder in the world. Founded in 2004, Friends mobilizes a diverse group of partners to drive U.S. support for the Global Fund and U.S. leadership on global health.

Major accomplishments

- In 2024, Friends ensured robust U.S. fiscal year 2024 investment of \$1.65 billion in the Global Fund, *consistent with maximum allowable funding* given the 2:1 match requirement on U.S. support.
- In 2021 and 2022, we helped secure the Biden administration's [decision to host the seventh replenishment](#) of the Global Fund. We then coordinated the [private sector](#), [faith leaders](#) and [the health community](#), to urge a robust U.S. replenishment pledge. This work helped achieve a three-year pledge of \$6 billion – *the largest Global Fund pledge in history*. Friends led the effort to secure a corresponding [\\$2 billion U.S. appropriation](#) for the Global Fund in fiscal year 2023 – a 28% increase.
- In 2021, we mobilized the [private sector repeatedly](#), [faith leaders three times](#), and global health advocates to support U.S. emergency funding to combat COVID-19 in low- and middle income countries. The effort yielded \$3.5 billion for the Global Fund's COVID-19 Response Mechanism – *the largest ever appropriation to the Global Fund*.
- In 2019, we rallied [faith leaders](#), [researchers](#), [the private sector](#), [health advocates](#), and [public figures](#) to speak out for increased U.S. support to the Global Fund for its sixth replenishment and achieved the [first increase in U.S. funding for the Global Fund](#) in six years -- *all in the face of opposition from the then presidential administration*.

Advancing the dialogue on issues shaping the future of global health

- Friends is much more than a highly effective advocate for investment -- we are also conveners and contributors in key areas that are shaping the future of global health. For example, Friends led development of an [analysis](#) in *PloS Global Public Health* on how the HIV response can be leveraged for pandemic preparedness and stronger health systems. We crafted studies on [pandemic preparedness](#), [universal health coverage](#) and [integrated person-centered care](#), highlighting the Global Fund as an asset. Most recently, we partnered with UNAIDS and the Elton John AIDS Foundation on a report on [Expanding the HIV response to drive broad-based health gains](#) with six country case studies.
- On the private sector and innovation, our reports [Leveraging Digital Technology to Improve Health Systems and Equity Worldwide](#) and [Digitizing Healthcare Demand and Supply in Africa](#) offer policy recommendations informed by our stakeholder convenings, including Private Sector Advisory Council members' insights. We led collaboration on a brief, [The Private Sector as a Key](#)

Advocacy to end epidemics.

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[Partner in Health System Strengthening](#), featuring examples from numerous Council Members. In 2024, we co-hosted a hybrid convening with the Georgetown Global Health Institute on private sector stakes and best practices in preserving civic space in healthcare, informing our report, [Private Sector as Partner in Civil Society's Essential Role in Global Health: Benefits and Best Practices](#).

- Our staff write often for *Foreign Policy*, *Think Global Health* and *National Interest*.

Friends has a track record of success in Washington, D.C. and a vision of how expanded U.S. and global engagement can achieve concrete progress on the most significant infectious disease killers and improve health care access for all. We also work with advocates in other countries to encourage strong funding commitments among multiple donors. All of Friends' education and advocacy materials are available at www.theglobalfight.org.

The Private Sector Advisory Council (PSAC)

Friends' Private Sector Advisory Council is an informal group of businesses that are supportive of continued U.S. investment in the Global Fund. Companies involved often choose to partner with Friends in support of the Global Fund. For example, some members have joined private sector sign-on letters to Congress, such as for the Global Fund's [sixth](#) and [seventh](#) replenishments and the [global COVID-19 response](#), and participated in Capitol Hill educational days. Members have taken part in substantive dialogues with the Global Fund's senior leadership, forums at international conferences and UN General Assembly meetings, and webinars on [innovation](#), [digital health](#) and pandemic response.

There are no obligations or fees with group membership. Members receive a monthly update from Friends on the Global Fund and other global health financing issues. Since 2020, the council has played an important role in engaging the Global Fund and policy community on a vision for global health security and pandemic response, and unique comparative competencies the private sector can offer those missions. ***Current members include:***

Abbott	General Electric Vernova	Qure.ai
Aegon-Transamerica	Gilead	Reckitt
Amgen	Heineken	RED
Atlas AI	Ikana Health Action Labs	Roche
Bank of America	Johnson & Johnson	Salesforce
Bayer	Kainomyx	Sanaria
BD	Mastercard	Sumitomo Chemical
Business Alliance Against Malaria	Medtronic	Thermo Fisher Scientific
Cepheid	Merck	UPS
Chevron, <i>Co-Chair</i>	MinXray	Vestergaard
The Coca-Cola Company	MTV Staying Alive	Viatis
Dimagi	Nexleaf	ViiV Healthcare, <i>Co-Chair</i>
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Friends works closely with the Global Fund Board's Private Sector Delegation.