

#VaccinesWork to protect every last child

Making Impact with Vaccines

It's a new year and we've got a critical New Year's resolution for Canada: commit to ensuring every last child receives life-saving vaccines. With your help, we can ensure Canada remains a leader in global health by making strong financial commitments to the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) (GPEI) and [Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance](#). Let's not only make this Canada's resolution but ours too!

We know that #VaccinesWork to fight many of the world's worst diseases each year. However millions of children don't receive this basic health service. These children are often those who live in extreme poverty and are the hardest reach because they live in remote or conflict-affected areas of the world.

Both Gavi and GPEI are working in new ways to make sure that every child receives the vaccines they need. Whether that's [supporting local community members](#), particularly women, to administer vaccines or investing in new technologies such as [solar powered refrigerators](#) to enhance healthcare in remote areas – Gavi and GPEI are breaking down the barriers of traditional vaccination. These types of interventions are crucial because we won't be able to win the fight against vaccine preventable diseases until every last child is vaccinated.

Diseases know no borders - that's why reaching every last child with life-saving vaccines is imperative. Only by doing this we can create a world of shared prosperity. With an ambitious pledge to GPEI and Gavi, Canada can secure its commitment to improving global health continue to work towards a world without extreme poverty.

Without a serious final push, a return of this disease to the global stage is entirely possible. The only way

December key dates to watch for

World Economic Forum Annual Meeting –
Gavi Replenishment Launch – January 21-24
Parliament returns to Ottawa – January 28
RESULTS Canada Parliamentary delegation – January
13-17

we can protect ourselves and others from polio is to prioritize vaccines and create a polio-free world.

Campaign Context

- Canada is one of the last donors who hasn't yet pledged to GPEI. A Canadian commitment is necessary to ensure that every last child is protected from polio.
- We are asking Canada to join other leading countries by pledging CAD \$215 million to GPEI over the next four years ([last pledge was of CAD \\$100 million in 2017](#)) and our hope is that they announce this in early 2020.
- Gavi is officially launching their replenishment case at the World Economic Forum this month where they will be asking donors around the world to help them reach their goal of raising USD \$7.4 billion.

Recent Volunteer Activity

Canadians care about investing in a world without extreme poverty. Recent actions of committed citizens included: [in-person engagement](#), [letters to the editor](#), published [social media posts](#) and many emails and letters!

Don't see your action? Make sure to track your actions with your [group leader](#) or [Mélissa](#)!

#VaccinesWork to protect every last child**TAKE ACTION!**

Engage your MP. Now that we are in the new year your Members of Parliament will be hosting open houses and meet and greets with their constituents. This is a great opportunity to meet with them and talk about the need for Canada to support GPEI and Gavi.

Get writing. Write op-eds or letters to the editor on why Canada should support GPEI and Gavi with an ambitious pledge. Find a hook in the newspaper or react to current events (the worldwide outbreak of [measles](#) and [polio](#) or the start of the new session of Parliament) to make the connection in support of Canada leadership in the fight against vaccine preventable diseases.

HOT TIP: Use keywords to get your letter noticed: Canadian aid, Gavi, vaccines, Global Polio Eradication Initiative

Take to social media.

Use social media to show your support for Canada's investment in vaccines and use [this image](#).

Tweet: #VaccinesWork to prevent not just disease, they also reduce global poverty. I want to see Canada continue its #globalhealth leadership and commit to reaching every last child with life-saving #vaccines by making a bold investment in #GPEI and @Gavi. @KarinaGould @ResultsCda

Facebook & Instagram post: A world free of extreme poverty is one where every child has access to life-saving #vaccines. Immunizations are one of the best investments in #globalhealth that Canada can make! I want to see a bold pledge from Canada towards #GPEI and Gavi.

Sign up for the national conference. From May 2-4, 2020, Results Canada will hold its National Conference in Ottawa - *From action to impact: working together to end extreme poverty*. Early bird prices are in effect for a limited time, so don't delay - [register today!](#)

Resources

Use these tools created to support your advocacy and outreach efforts:

- [Tips on writing to your MP](#)
- [Tips on tweeting](#)
- [Tips on getting published](#)