Thank you from the Director!

2019 was an amazing year for Andando and our partners, and you have made all the difference. Through your generosity, communities have been transformed in rural Senegal. We are now reaching more people than ever, and we have even bigger things planned for 2020.

This year we expanded our garden program into four new communities, which brings the total to 23 gardens that serve thousands of people boosting nutrition and income. We built classrooms in four villages that are already packed with eager students supported by parents with a renewed vision for their future. Two more rural health posts were completed that meet the healthcare needs of people where they need it most, right at home in their neighborhoods.

None of this would be possible without the generosity of your investment. We hope to do even more in 2020, and we still need your help! Please consider making a donation to Andando today and have the effects felt halfway across the glove. Your contribution makes these programs possible, and the Senegalese send along a BIG “Jerejef!” – Thank You!

Lewis Kiker, Executive Director
Empowerment Through Preventative Care

Imagine having to travel long distances, by foot or donkey cart, to seek medical care. For many in rural Senegal this is a reality, because access to facilities with trained medical staff is extremely limited. This is why for years we have been partnering with local leadership to build health posts in rural Senegalese communities.

Health posts become a beacon in the community; not only do the local midwives and nurses provide much needed medical care for the immediate and satellite communities, but the physical building itself meets the unique needs of each community.

Many rural communities have limited or no access to electricity. The health posts utilize solar technology to provide lighting, but higher-draw appliances such as refrigerators require too much electricity for these solar units.

Nearly all vaccines must be refrigerated, which means they cannot be stored at the health post but rather must be brought from larger cities for immediate administration. Their arrival is much anticipated, and in the course of a single afternoon hundreds of children can receive these necessary vaccinations.

Community leaders are continually asking us to build health posts in their towns. The need is great. Last year we visited Paymar village and toured their existing health building. The structure and equipment are old and outdated, and the community has exceeded the capacity of the existing facility.

The desk for checking in patients at the current Paymar health facility. A new building is under construction and will be completed soon.

Nurses and midwives at the Keur Niene Serere health post provide medical care for the immediate and satellite communities.

Fruit-bearing trees are planted in the courtyard, providing precious shade and nutritious food. This shade creates a comfortable location for community education programs, such as workshops on health and sanitation, empowering local families to take control of their own health.

Further, health posts enable urban medical staff to serve remote communities that would otherwise not have access to vaccines and other preventative healthcare.

Mothers and babies patiently wait their turn to receive vaccinations.

The courtyard of the Keur Niene Serere health post where trees have recently been planted.
For several years, members of Hub City Church (Albany, Oregon) have donated to build health posts in rural Senegal. To date they have funded eight buildings (!!) and just added another one this year.

Because of their commitment, the community of Paymar will have a new health post; construction is underway and will be completed very soon.

We are excited to be part of a global village that values access to healthcare for all and are looking forward to seeing the health of this village and the surrounding community benefit because of it.

Would you like to make a difference? All gifts, big and small, make a lasting impact. Please consider making (or increasing) a monthly donation. You would be surprised what just $5 a month can accomplish! To make a gift, use the enclosed envelope or visit www.andando.org/take-action.

A huge THANK YOU to all our partners who helped make this a reality!

Dashing Success - Dinner and Silent Auction Thank You!

Thank you to everyone that contributed to this year’s Dinner and Silent Auction - you made it a great success! Each year, we push our goals, and each year you demonstrate your generosity for helping our friends in Senegal.

All told we raised over $49,000 for our programs!

We are already looking forward to next year; save the date for Thursday, October 22, 2020!

This year we added a fun Dessert Dash, which not only provided much (comical) entertainment as tables battled over the enticing desserts, but also raised over $5,000 on it’s own!!
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2nd Annual

Join us for a fun & family-friendly evening enjoying some of the flavors of Senegal.

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