

SAVE ONE LIFE

Micro-Enterprise Grant Program Report 2020

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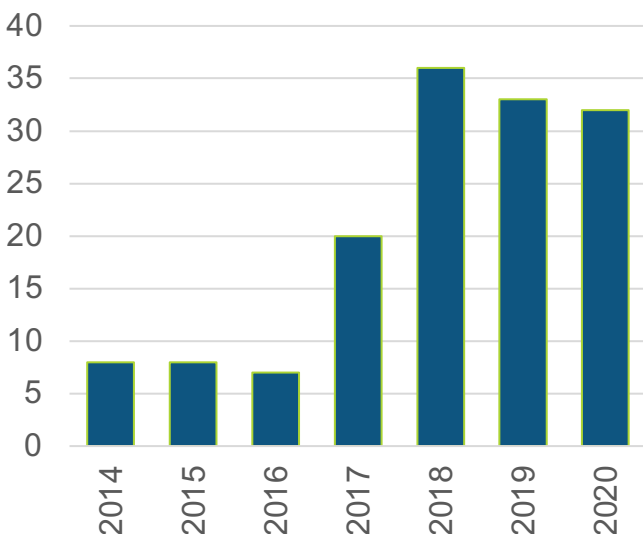
Evolution of the Program

Save One Life created the Micro-Enterprise Grant (MEG) Program in 2014 to help people with bleeding disorders or the parents of children with bleeding disorders create small businesses. People affected by bleeding disorders in developing countries are often disabled due to lack of access to care. These disabilities can prevent them from attending school or from gaining employment in traditional manual-labor jobs. MEG's allow these individuals to create small businesses that provide an opportunity to feel fulfilled, a way to work with their capabilities and a consistent source of income.

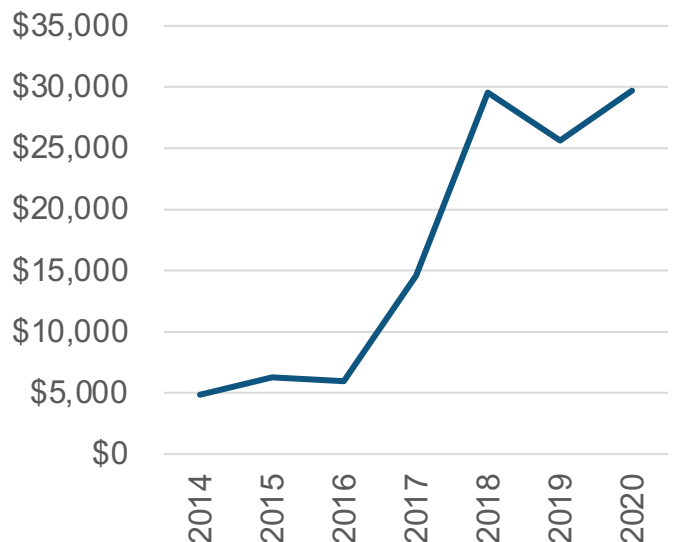
Parenting a child with a bleeding disorder creates many challenges including taking days off to travel to hospitals. By establishing their own businesses, these parents can have the flexibility to care for their children and create income to help pay for their care.

Since 2014, Save One Life have provided 144 grants in 13 different countries. Funding for the program has historically been provided through general fundraisers but in 2019 Save One Life partnered with Roche/Genentech to expand the reach of the program through consistent funding.

Grant Awarded



Total Amount of Awards



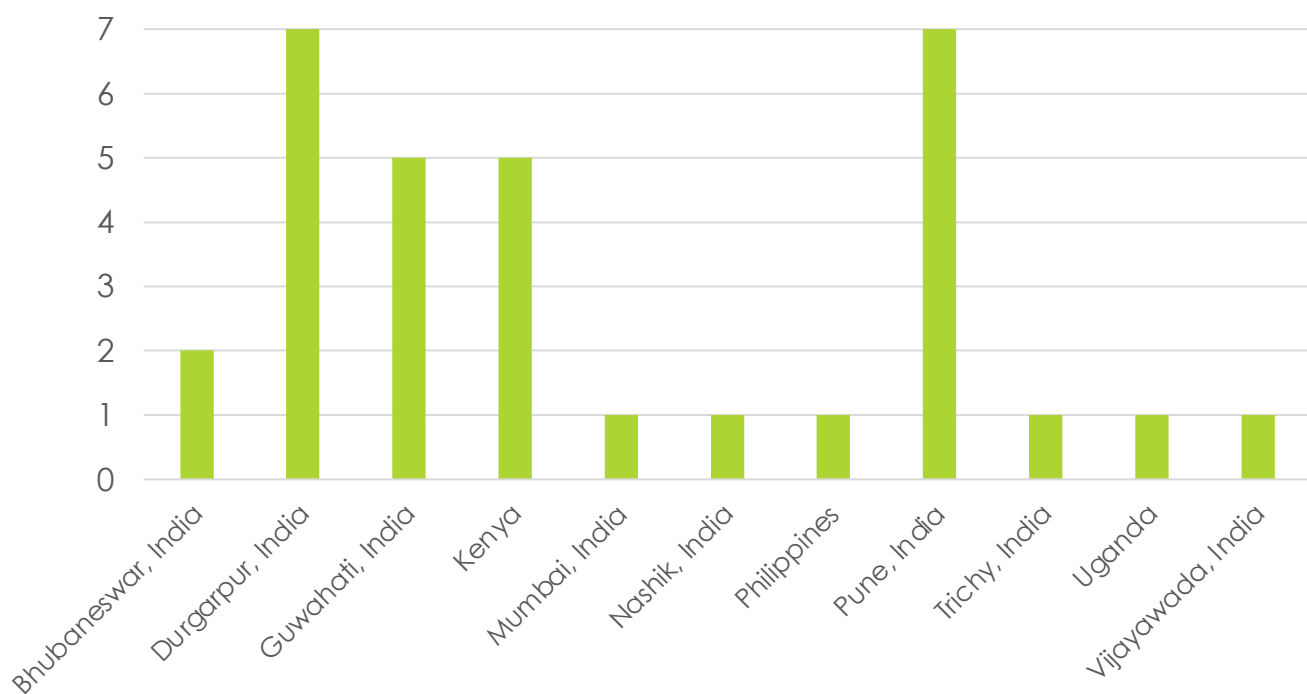
2020 Summary

Despite the dramatic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020, Save One Life awarded 32 MEG's to recipients in 11 of our program partner organizations. Applications decreased during lockdowns but increased as these restrictions were lifted.

The average grant was \$928 and ranged from helping an individual open a fruit and vegetable shop to creating a cybercafe with a gaming zone. All MEG applications were reviewed by a committee of volunteers before they were awarded.

Read about some MEG recipients on the following pages.

Micro-enterprise Grants Awarded 2020



Martha Kenya



Not all of Save One Life's MEG's go as hoped. The challenges people with bleeding disorders face in developing countries is very difficult.

Early in 2020, Save One Life awarded a grant to Martha in Kenya. She had a teenage son, Kennedy, with hemophilia. Martha purchased a cow to sell milk to support him and the rest of her family. The cow was producing 6 liters of milk per day and the family sold half. Martha was thrilled with the project. Her cow was her greatest asset.

Unfortunately, Martha fell in early January 2021 and suffered a cerebral hemorrhage. She had not been diagnosed with a bleeding disorder, but it was suspected that she had lower factor levels as a carrier. She passed away shortly after her accident.



The responsibility for taking care of the cow now falls to her son Kennedy and his older brother. It's always difficult to hear about these tragedies and reminds us that there is always more work to do.

Kuldip

Guwahati, India

Kuldip has hemophilia A. With his micro-enterprise grant he hopes to revitalize his family pig farm. Kuldip's father passed away three years ago and Kuldip has since taken over the family business. He lives with his family in a home made of straw and bamboo. He needed to expand the farm to generate income. With their meager income, Kuldip and his family were only able to maintain two pigs which was not sufficient to provide for their family.

With the funds provided through this micro-enterprise grant, Kuldip can purchase six pigs and repair the pigsty that is under the family home.



More Success Stories

Micro-enterprise grants have been awarded since 2014 and many recipients have been extremely successful with their businesses. Our program partners evaluate these recipients periodically to see how the businesses are progressing. The perseverance of these individuals and their families is inspiring!



Ashok, Nashik, India

Ashok is 48 years old and has severe hemophilia A. He has suffered from extensive damage to his knees from years of untreated bleeds. Despite a significant limp and the inability to walk properly, Ashok has found a way to support himself through the sale of onions. While Ashok is doing well, he loses half of his produce each year to improper storage. With his micro-enterprise grant, Ashok is constructing a storage unit which will double his income!

More Success Stories



Pappathy, Madurai, India

Pappathy and her husband Senthikumar have a young son with severe hemophilia A. The father has a poor understanding of the boy's condition and does not support his wife at hospital visits. Pappathy must take off work for these visits which often leaves the family with financial shortage.

"I got financial help to buy a new motor fitted sewing machine. It helped our family with the beginning of COVID-19. I stitched, earned sufficient money and maintained the family. Now, the COVID-19 lockdown is prolonged without closing stages. Nobody is coming to stitch and no earnings. I still won't forget the help. Thank you!"

The Impact of COVID-19

The global pandemic has had a tremendous impact on the financial security of hundreds of millions, if not billions of people. Our grant recipients are not an exception to those challenges. Applications for new grants have diminished during the early stages of the pandemic but increased as lockdowns began to be lifted around the world.

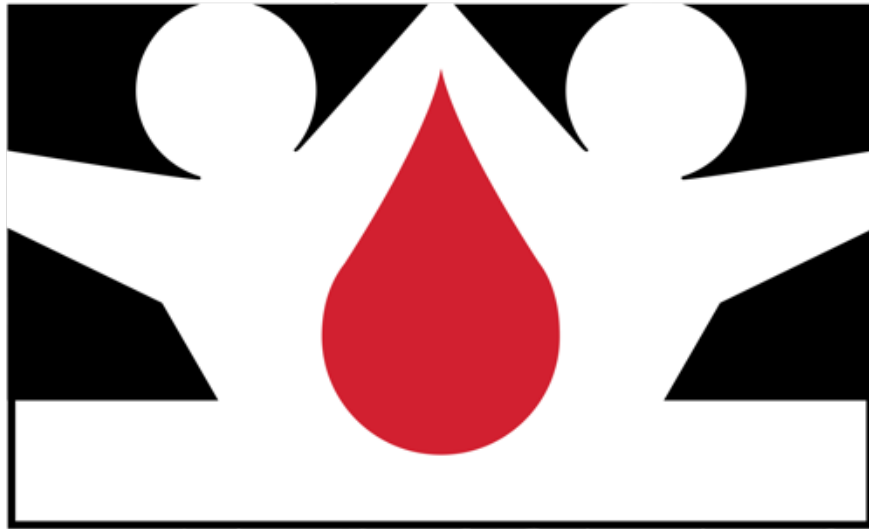
Micro-enterprise grants will be critical over the next year to help many families get back on their feet. We are so thankful for the continued support of Roche/Genentech so we can provide hope to so many during this dark time.

Our Grantees

Harinarayan	Bhubaneswar, India	Desi Chicken Farm
Manorama	Bhubaneswar, India	Poultry Farm
Abu	Durgapur, India	Clothing Business
Dharambir	Durgapur, India	General Store
Kalipada	Durgapur, India	Expand Vendor Shop
Mrityunjoy	Durgapur, India	Fast Food Restaurant
Partha	Durgapur, India	Cybercafe
Sanjoy	Durgapur, India	Fruit and Vegetable Shop
Trisha	Durgapur, India	Handmade Jewelry
Bhaigyajit	Guwahati, India	Mobile Accessories
Bishal	Guwahati, India	Bicycle Repair Shop
Diganta	Guwahati, India	Electrical Shop
Kuldip	Guwahati, India	Piggery
Mohammed	Guwahati, India	Vegetable Stall
David	Kenya	Green Grocer
Dickson	Kenya	Entertainment and Gaming Zone

Our Grantees (continued)

James	Kenya	Saw Mill
Kassim	Kenya	Tailoring Shop
Martha	Kenya	Dairy Cow
Chetan	Mumbai, India	Video Editing
Ashok	Nashik, India	Onion Storage Unit
Rolly	Philippines	Bake Shop
Anil	Pune, India	Grocery and Stationary Shop
Dnynoba	Pune, India	Ladies Tailoring Shop
Kishor	Pune, India	Mobile Accessories Kiosk
Mukesh	Pune, India	Pan Shop
Navath	Pune, India	Computer and Copy Center
Sharnappa	Pune, India	Pan Shop
Siddharth	Pune, India	Mess and Tiffin Service
Nesamalar	Trichy, India	Dairy Cow
Deborah	Uganda	Fried Fish Stall
Siddardha	Vijaywada, India	Tiffin Shed



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