



## THE NEED

EVERY DAY, about **16,000**

**CHILDREN WILL DIE** before their



In 2015, approximately  
**303,000**  
**MOTHERS**  
DIED from pregnancy or  
childbirth complications

**99%**  
of these deaths  
OCCURRED  
IN THE  
DEVELOPING  
WORLD



AN INFANT WHOSE  
**MOTHER DIES IS**

**10**  
**TIMES**

more likely  
to die within  
**2 YEARS**  
following  
her death



GLOBALLY, **1 IN 3** **WOMEN**  
**DELIVER**  
**THEIR**  
**BABIES**



WITHOUT THE HELP OF A  
**DOCTOR, NURSE, OR MIDWIFE**



## THE HOPE

**25%**



**SPACING PREGNANCIES**  
by more than 3 years could  
reduce under-5 mortality  
by 25%

### PROGRESS THROUGH ADVOCACY

Thanks to **U.S. government programs and interventions:**

- » Since 1990, the number of mothers dying from pregnancy and **childbirth complications has decreased by 44%.**
- » **6.8 million more children under 5 survived in 2015 than in 1990.**
- » In 2015 alone, **267,000 babies were born HIV-free.**



**87%**  
OF THE ESSENTIAL CARE  
NEEDED BY WOMEN  
AND NEWBORNS can be  
performed by an

**EDUCATED  
MIDWIFE**



**YOUR VOICE MATTERS!**