

# ANNUAL REPORT 2017



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# **ABOUT** US



# Our Year at a Glance



**2,159,271 m**<sup>2</sup> searched in Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iraqi Kurdistan, Lebanon, and Sri Lanka



208 landmine survivors
received medical assistance,
prosthetic limbs and vocational
training



**4,109 children** received mine risk education through **CHAMPS** 



6 Mine Detection Dogs and 3
Explosive Detection Dogs
donated

# Who We Are

The Marshall Legacy Institute (MLI) is a Virginia-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that was founded by General Gordon R. Sullivan (Ret.) in 1997 to extend the vision of Nobel Peace Prize laureate George C. Marshall and the Marshall Plan to help war-torn countries recover from conflict and regain stability. MLI's mission is to locate, secure, and apply skills and resources to alleviate suffering, restore hope, and create conditions that nurture stability in countries affected by conflict. For many nations, a primary obstacle to achieving sustainable progress is the deadly legacy of landmines and other unexploded ordnance, lethal reminders of armed conflicts that, in many cases, are long Landmines over. cause lasting environmental degradation, inhibit agricultural production, impede economic growth, slow the return of refugees, cause terror, and kill and maim innocent people and animals daily.

In Mine Action, our efforts include the development and implementation of the Detection Dog **Partnership Program** (MDDPP), which provides mine detection dogs (MDDs) accelerate the pace of landmine clearance operations; the Children Against Mines Program (CHAMPS), which promotes global citizenship and engages American youth in service learning projects to help children living in war-torn countries; and the Survivors' **Assistance** program, which helps those injured by landmines acquire and attend prostheses vocational training for a swift reintegration into the community. These programs (1) educate citizens about the dangers of mines, (2) provide valuable resources for landmine clearance, especially MDDs, (3) train national leaders charged with mineaction responsibilities, and (4) assist landmine survivors with physical and psychological needs.

MLI's Social Impact programs (Intern-Ethnic Reconciliation. Women's Empowerment, and Leadership **Development**) aim to go beyond providing assistance to countries to help them overcome the physical economic burden of landmines by enabling communities in post-conflict countries live more fulfilling lives. Our Social Impact programs rebuild peace, promote leadership among youth, and emphasis strong on the put empowerment of women improvement of their role in society.

 $\,$  MLI staff, family, and friends at Glenelg Country School's annual K9 9K walkathon/run

# WHERE WE WORK

For the past 20 years, MLI has strived to assist severely mine contaminated countries by helping them help themselves. MLI is a strong advocate for affordable and sustainable programs.

#### By the end of 2017, MLI:

- 1) provided 229 mine detection dogs to 11 war-torn countries and trained and certified indigenous handlers to safely employ the dog teams in national landmine clearance programs;
- 2) engaged tens of thousands of youth from around the world in the global landmine issue;
- 3) provided critically needed medical assistance, prosthetics, mobility devices, and vocational training to hundreds of landmine survivors;
- **4)** helped **war widows in Iraq** become **entrepreneurs** and open small businesses to improve their and their families' **financial livelihoods**.

#### **MDDPP Countries**

2017: Azerbaijan, Bosnia Herzegovina, Iraq, Lebanon, and Sri Lanka

1999-2017: Afghanistan, Angola, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia Herzegovina, Eritrea, Iraq, Lebanon, Nicaragua, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.

#### **CHAMPS Countries**

2017: Bosnia Herzegovina, United States, and Yemen

2003-2017: Afghanistan, Bosnia Herzegovina, Iraq, Lebanon, United States, Vietnam, and Yemen.

Survivors' Assistance Countries 2017: Lebanon, Bosnia Herzegovina, and Yemen

2003-2017: Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia Herzegovina, Lebanon, Iraq, Vietnam, and Yemen.

MDD Emily with handler, Bosnia (photo courtesy of Jake Rutherford, Bittersweet)



# **PROGRAM** OVERVIEW



#### **MDDPP** Facts

Launch year: 1999

Active MDDs by end of 2017: 68

MDDs donated in 2017: **6** EDDs donated in 2017: **3** 

MDDs and EDDs donated since launch: 229

Land searched in 2017: 2,164,771 m<sup>2</sup>

Land searched since launch: 47,876,004 m<sup>2</sup>

#### **CHAMPS** Facts

Launch year: 2003

MDDs sponsored since launch: 38

Survivors assisted in 2017: 133

Participating American schools in 2017: 31

Participating foreign schools in 2017: 27

Mine Risk Education provided to: 4,109





#### Survivors' Assistance Facts

Launch year: 2003

Survivors who received medical assistance and

vocational training in 2017: 75

Types of assistance: prosthetic limbs,

rehabilitative care, and mobility devices;

vocational training.



Roni, a young Belgian Malinois, trains in Bosnia to become a Mine Detection Dog

# Mine Detection Dog Partnership Program (MDDPP)

MLI's longest running program is the Mine Detection Dog Partnership Program (MDDPP). The program utilizes government and private donations to train, and deliver purchase, Detection Dogs (MDDs) and Explosive Detection Dogs (EDDs) to local demining mine-affected organizations within countries. There are currently more than 900 MDDs working in 24 countries. MLI has donated 229 of those dogs and provided the requisite training successfully incorporate them into dozens of demining organizations worldwide. Since the program's launch in 1999, MLI's life-saving dogs have searched nearly 48 million square meters (11,860 acres) mine-contaminated land. returning it to people for productive use

in agriculture, economic and social development.

In 2016, MLI expanded the MDDPP to include the training and donation of EDDs. The first 4 EDDs were donated to the Ministry of Peshmerga in Iraqi Kurdistan, to help them bring greater security to the region in the midst of ongoing conflict. In 2017, MLI was able to donate 3 more EDDs to work in Lebanon.

MDDs and EDDs are a crucial component of mine action programs because of their incredible sense of smell, which allows them to "sniff out" the explosive odors of landmines. Unlike metal detector tools commonly used in demining, a dog is able to locate both metal and plastic landmines. MDDs and EDDs work in teams with human handlers. Such a team can search up to 30 times faster than a manual deminer without compromising accuracy.

When properly integrated with other technologies (manual demining and machines), the mine/explosive detection dog team is an incredibly valuable tool for detecting mines and explosives. None of MLI's MDDs or EDDs have ever been killed or injured while on the job.

# MDDs and EDDs donated by MLI

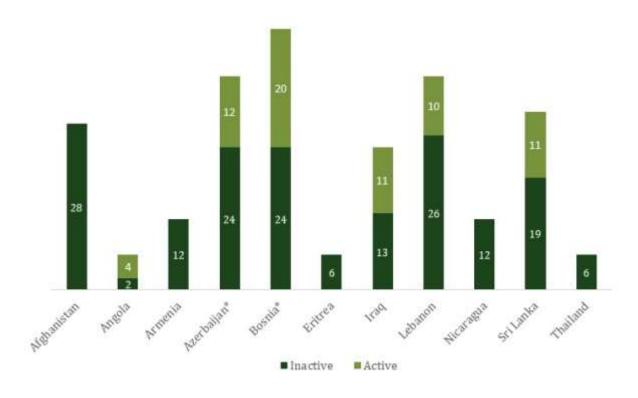
MLI donated 6 MDDs and 3 EDDs in 2017. Two MDDs were provided to Bosnia Herzegovina, four MDDs were donated to Sri Lanka, and three EDDs were provided to Lebanon.

# Retired MDDs and EDDs

After a lifetime of saving lives, MDDs retire to loving homes to enjoy the rest of their lives with their handler or, when that is not possible, MLI finds them loving homes in the United States.

Fig. 1 MDDs and EDDs by country

The figure below displays the total number of MDDs and EDDs provided to each country and how many of them were actively working by the end of 2017.



<sup>\*</sup>The count for active MDDs in Azerbaijan and Bosnia and Herzegovina include reassigned MDDs from Afghanistan and Armenia.



# Children Against Mines Program (CHAMPS)

In 2003, MLI's Children Against Mines Program (CHAMPS) was established by Diana Enzi, wife of Senator Mike Enzi. This unique program promotes global citizenship and engages American children on the landmine issue. something they unlikely would otherwise be exposed to. MLI's CHAMPS team travels throughout the United States with our K9 ambassador, a retired Mine Detection Dog, to spark interest among American youth in global issues, inspire them to explore the landmine problem and become part of the solution.

Through CHAMPS, students raise funds to

sponsor lifesaving MDDs and provide medical assistance and prosthetic devices to landmine survivors. The children's hard work and dedication has led to the sponsorship of 38 MDDs and has helped hundreds of landmine survivors in the 15 years since the program's launch.

CHAMPS also links U.S. schools with schools mine-affected countries. enabling American kids to work together in service projects that help children around the world who have been injured by landmines and to help prevent more tragedies through mine risk education. American children have conducted videoconference calls with youth Afghanistan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iraq, and Yemen.

#### **CHAMPS MDDs**

In 2017, the campaign for MDD *Nibs* was completed by CHAMPS students in Connecticut. MDD *Nibs* underwent training and was donated to the Sri Lankan Army's Humanitarian Demining Unit.

In 2017, MDD Yankee, who was sponsored by CHAMPS Greenwich students, retired from her work in Sri Lanka and became MLI's new K9 Ambassador in the United States. Now, Yankee travels to schools throughout the U.S. to help promote CHAMPS and raise awareness about the global landmine issue. She succeeds MDD Nutmeg in this capacity, who was adopted by a loving family in Maryland.



The Marschall family with MDD Nutmeg



## Survivors' Assistance

Each year, innocent men, women and children are injured or killed by landmines or other dangerous explosives. The increase in the use of IEDs by insurgent groups in the past few years in countries such as Iraq and Yemen has not only endangered civilians as they go about their day-to-day lives, but has also prevented internally displaced persons from returning home.

Children who are injured by landmines often times suffer greater physical injuries and emotional trauma, and have significantly bleaker economic prospects than adults. In many war-torn countries, they have little chance of getting a prosthetic limb or even a wheelchair. With little to no mobility, they may be unable to attend school, making them dependent upon their families and sequestered in their homes.

MLI's Survivors' Assistance Program provides assistance to those who have been injured by mines and other dangerous explosives. MLI provides

prosthetic devices, rehabilitative treatments, and vocational training to dozens of landmine survivors every year.

In 2017, 45 landmine survivors in Lebanon received medical care and an additional 30 survivors received vocational training based on their skills and preferences. An additional 133 survivors received similar assistance in Bosnia Herzegovina and Yemen through CHAMPS. In 2018, we look forward to continuing this program to help more survivors better reintegrate into the social and economic fabric of their communities. In 2017, MLI also launched a mentorship and training program in southern Iraq, in partnership with the AMAR Foundation, to assist 80 Iraqi war widows in improving their entrepreneurial and employment skills to increase their financial livelihoods.

In previous years, MLI has helped survivors in Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Bosnia Herzegovina, Iraq, Lebanon, Vietnam, and Yemen. Survivors have received training in IT, sewing, and carpentry, amongst other technical skills.

<sup>&</sup>quot;You cannot imagine how much this means to me. I have heard about silicon liners, but could not afford them. I am so grateful to the U.S. children and to the CHAMPS project... I am sure it will change my life."

<sup>—</sup> Nijaz, a landmine survivor from Bosnia, recalls his experience in receiving a quality prosthetic leg



# 2017 COUNTRY **OVERVIEW**







MDD Astro meets the American ambassador to Armenia

#### Armenia

A terrible reminder of the war of 1988 between Armenia and Azerbaijan, landmines and explosive remnants of war (ERW) continue to litter the Caucasian landscape. The most heavily impacted areas lie along the border between the two neighboring nations the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh region.

In 2002, responding to a request from the Armenian Minister of Defense, MLI donated 12 highly-trained mine detection dogs to the Armenian Centre for Humanitarian Demining and Expertise (CHDE). Ultimately, these dogs took part in operations that returned 400 acres of land to the Armenian people.

In 2015, at the request of Armenia's Defense Minister, MLI donated six more MDDs to the CHDE's Peacekeeping Engineering Brigade (PKEB) to help the PKEB accelerate the pace of demining operations and update national MDD standard operating procedures (SOPs).

However, following extensive training provided by MLI's Trainer, the Trainer and the U.S. Department of State recommended that the implementation of a successful and sustainable MDD program within the PKEB was not feasible at the time due to the PKEB's organizational capacities. As a result, MLI relocated the 6 MDDs to Bosnia and Herzegovina in the summer of 2017 where they received immediate training and were certified to International Mine Action Standards (IMAS).

# Quick Glance at Armenia



**1,606,645 m**<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2002



12 MDDs donated; 6 MDDs transferred to Bosnia





MDD Astro receives training in Bosnia, summer 2017

MDD Cosby receives training in Bosnia, summer 2017



MDD Rocket sniffs out landmines

## Azerbaijan

MLI's partnership with the Azerbaijan National Agency for Mine Action (ANAMA) started in 2005, with a donation of seven mine detection dogs to increase the nation's demining capacity. Since then, MLI has continued to expand the MDD Partnership Program Azerbaijan and provided 36 MDDs to ANAMA by 2017. These dogs have searched over 27.4 million square meters of land in their working years. Four of these MDDs were sponsored by American children through MLI's **CHAMPS** campaigns.

Throughout 2017, the MDD teams worked in districts of Fizuli, Jabrayil, and Tartar, located along the Nagorno Karabakh border. The Azeri government committed to reconstructing and demining Jabrayil to promote economic development in the area, and ANAMA played a key role in reaching these goals with the aid of its MDD teams.

All of the released land has since been returned to the Azeri people for infrastructure development and agricultural growth.

## Quick Glance at Azerbaijan



**27,427,414 m**<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2005



29 MDDs donated by private Americans and 7MDDs reassigned from Afghanistan



12 MDDs active by the end of 2017



ANAMA handlers work in the field with MDD Mace



Bosnia and Herzegovina

It has been more than 20 years since the end of the Bosnian War, and landmines and unexploded remnants of war continue to haunt the Balkan nation. Although much progress has been made in recent years, the multiple regions throughout Bosnia remain contaminated with mines, including the municipality of Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital.

MLI began work in Bosnia after developing a strong partnership with the Bosnian-based Mine Detection Dog Center (MDDC) in 2004. Since then, MLI has provided 44 MDDs (including six MDDs transferred from Armenia to Bosnia in the summer of 2017) to the

MDDC and nine other indigenous demining organizations. These highly trained canines have helped to clear millions of square meters of land during their working lives. Fourteen of the MDDs have been sponsored by CHAMPS students.

Between July and September 2017, MLI implemented a demining project in Kreševo municipality with the MDDC and funding from the U.S. Department of State. The project cleared more than 55,000m² of mine-affected land and rendered the entire municipality mine-free for the first time in over 25 years. Previously inaccessible areas were opened to local traffic, new economic resources became available, and tourism and economic development thrived.



**2,296,716 m**<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2004



32 MDDs donated since 2004, 4 MDDs transferred from Afghanistan and 6 MDDs transferred from Armenia



**20 MDDs active** by end of 2017



**4,109 students and community members** received mine risk education in 2017





#### CHAMPS—Bosnia

In addition to assisting the country in its demining efforts, MLI has been connecting American and Bosnian children, and helping landmine survivors through its CHAMPS program since 2006.

Through CHAMPS, participating Bosnian and American schools engage in group video calls so that students can get to know one another. Together, they are able to exchange ideas as they raise awareness about landmines and raise funds to provide medical assistance & rehabilitation to survivors. Led by their teachers and MDDC instructors, the Bosnian students are taught mine risk education (MRE). Then, they participate in spreading this lifesaving knowledge by conducting presentations for children and teachers in their schools and communities.

Throughout 2017, over 4,000 teachers and kids benefitted from MRE. This will help them to stay safe and reduce casualties in the hazardous areas that

surround many of the villages and schools in which they live. In 2017, students had the chance to teach MRE alongside the world-renowned Bosnian sitting volleyball team *Fantomi* in order to raise awareness about the dangers of mines. *Fantomi* is comprised of individuals who have lost limbs to landmines in Bosnia and have gone on to become internationally recognized sitting -volleyball players.

Each participating Bosnian school is also dominated by a different ethnic majority (Bosniak, Croat, or Serb). By working together on projects to help landmine survivors and promote MRE in mineaffected communities, the youth are breaking decades-long ethnic hostilities through interethnic reconciliation. By putting aside ethnic and religious differences. they are able to form friendships and develop mutual understanding.

#### Survivors' Assistance

With help from the MDDC, students in identified Bosnia three landmine survivors in need of medical assistance and/or prosthetic limbs. Their peers in the United States aided in fundraising efforts and met with some of these survivors via videoconference. Several of the American schools also held fundraising campaigns to purchase wheelchairs for survivors.

Admir, a landmine survivor who received assistance through CHAMPS in 2015, was honored with the Survivors' Award at MLI's 2017 Clearing the Path Gala (see photo to the left). Despite losing his leg to a landmine in 2011, Admir overcame his injuries to become a remarkable athlete with Fantomi. The assistance that he received in 2015 has helped him to regain his ability to walk, find employment, wed his childhood sweetheart, and support his family.

Landmine survivor Damir shows how he uses his new prosthetic arm





## Iraqi Kurdistan



MLI commenced its work in northern Iraq in 2009 by assisting the demining organization MAG in establishing a mine detection dog capacity within its local unit. The MLI-donated MDDs searched more than 500 acres of land in northern Iraq that was ultimately returned to the people.

In the Spring of 2016, the Ministry of Peshmerga requested MLI's assistance in clearing northern Iraqi land of mines and improvised explosive devices (IEDs) that were left in the wake of ISIS. The first four EDDs of the eighteen requested dogs were provided to the Peshmerga in October 2016. After completing training and receiving certification, these EDDs worked throughout 2017 with their handlers to search more than 17,000 vehicles, 80 buildings, and 34,000 square meters of land. To fulfill the Peshmerga's request, MLI received funding from the U.S. Department of Defense in 2017 to provide training for the remaining 14 dogs. As of the end of 2017, a private

donor had sponsored 6 of these EDDs, but due to the airport closings in Kurdistan, the delivery and training of these EDDs will take place in 2018.

MLI honored EDD *Scout*, one of the first four EDDs to be provided to the Peshmerga in 2016, and his handler, Karzan Khalid, as the 2017 EDD Team of the Year. *Scout* was sponsored and named by General Dynamics.

## Southern Iraq

MLI established a partnership with the Iraqi Mine and UXO Clearance Organization (IMCO) in 2010 to



assist the organization in accelerating landmine clearance operations in southern Iraq. By 2013, MLI provided 12 MDDs to IMCO who helped search over  $270,000 \, \text{m}^2$  of land.

Due to a termination in IMCO's funding, MLI removed the MDDs from its facility in 2017 and retired the dogs with loving families in the United States.

#### Quick Glance at Iraq



18 MDDs donated (12 to southern Iraq, 6 to Kurdistan) since 2009

1,758,736 m<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2009





4 EDDs donated to Kurdistan since 2016



#### Network for the Economic **Empowerment of Women** (NEW Iraq)

In 2017, with funding from the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, and in partnership with the AMAR Foundation. MLI implemented the NEW Iraq program to assist 80 war widows in Basra and Dhi Oar by providing them skills and knowledge that will help them to either gain employment or open their own small businesses. MLI paired the female trainees with U.S.-based successful Arabic conducted -speaking women, who

monthly mentoring and training sessions over video conference calls with the trainees in Iraq. The trainees were also paired with locally-based successful Iraqi businesswomen.

By the end of 2017, the MLI mentors held three months of mentoring and training sessions with their co-mentors and groups trainees. In 2018, the trainees will be designing and submitting proposals to receive mini-grants that will help them start their own businesses or prepare to seek employment in the future.



#### Lebanon

MLI has held a lasting partnership with the Lebanon Mine Action Center (LMAC) since 2001. LMAC, which operates within the Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF), executes and coordinates Lebanon's mine action program. Lebanon's southern and northern provinces suffer from landmines left behind after a 15-year civil war and multiple conflicts with Israel.

MLI's training and donation of 6 mine detection dogs in 2001 helped to establish LMAC's MDD capacity and expedite the organization's demining operations. Since then, MLI has donated a total of 36 MDDs to LMAC, which have helped to search 250 acres of minecontaminated land. In 2017, MLI's MDDs

searched 23,250 m<sup>2</sup> of land, which directly benefited 3.500 people. This land will be used for agricultural purposes, development of housing areas, and improving infrastructure, such as the construction of new water pipelines.

Toward the end of 2016, LMAC requested three additional dogs to replace retiring dogs. MLI fulfilled this request through the provision of three EDDs to the LAF in 2017. This project was made possible with the support of the U.S. Department of State and private donors. LAF readily utilizes the EDDs to conduct searches for explosives in airports, parking lots, buildings, event venues, and cars. When they are not working, the handlers keep the EDDs busy by training them in obstacle courses at the LAF facilities.

#### Quick Glance at Lebanon



**36 MDDs** donated to Lebanon Mine Action Center



**1,012,415** m<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2001



**170 survivors** have received vocational training **å** since 2009



**169 survivors** received medical assistance and were fitted for prosthetic

> Landmine survivor Maroun was able to grow his chicken farm with an incomegenerating grant from MLI



#### Survivors' Assistance

In 2017, MLI continued its successful Survivors' Assistance program Lebanon, which has helped hundreds of survivors with vocational training and medical assistance. During the year, MLI held two vocational training courses for Lebanese landmine survivors focused on beekeeping and poultry production. The course provided 33 landmine survivor participants with in-depth technical knowledge of beekeeping and poultry production, as well as business training and proposal writing training. A total of participants received 16 incomegenerating grants to start or expand businesses in beekeeping and poultry production.

MLI Additionally, provided prosthetic limbs, prosthetic repairs or mobility devices to 45 Lebanese landmine survivors. This is the fourth successful project that MLI has implemented to assist Lebanese landmine survivors, with funding from the U.S. Department of State.

Following the successful results of the 2017 survivors' assistance project, the LMAC requested MLI's assistance to implement a Mine Risk Education Train the Trainer program. With financial support from the U.S. Department of State, MLI started the new project, which will help additional landmine survivors in mid-2017. The Train the Trainer program will be carried out in 2018.



#### Sri Lanka

In the aftermath of three decades of civil war, Sri Lanka faced an arduous task of reclaiming vast tracts of land littered with landmines. The island nation's northern districts bear the majority of this burden. An increase in mine action efforts in 2016 decreased the amount of contaminated land substantially, and similar efforts in 2017 have helped Sri Lanka get closer to its 2020 goal of becoming completely mine-safe.

MLI's partnership with the Sri Lankan Army Engineer Regiment's Humanitarian Demining Unit (SLA HDU) began in 2003 with an initial donation of 13 MDDs. In 2011, MLI donated an additional 13 MDDs to replace retired dogs; and in 2017, we provided 4 more MDDs. All of these MDDs have performed remarkable work, facilitating clearance operations

and allowing Sri Lanka to return land to its people.

In 2017, MLI submitted a request to the HDU for one of their retiring MDDs, Yankee, to serve as MLI's K9 Ambassador in the United States. MLI donated Yankee. who was sponsored by a CHAMPS campaign led in Greenwich, CT, to Sri Lanka in 2011. The Army agreed to retire Yankee to the U.S. and MLI made arrangements for Yankee's transferal and integration. MLI awarded MDD Yankee and her handler, Lance Corporal T.K.D. Rajapaksha the 2017 MDD Team of the Year award, which they received together at MLI's 20th Anniversary Clearing the Path Gala in Washington, DC. Yankee MLI's continues to serve as Ambassador and lives with our Vice President of Children's Programs. MLI has expressed deep gratitude to the HDU for this gift.

## Quick Glance at Sri Lanka



 $1,108,586 \text{ m}^2$  of land searched



**30 MDDs** donated to the Sri Lankan Engineer Regiment's Humanitarian Demining Unit



11 MDDs active by end of 2017



MDD *Yankee* with handler Lance Corporal Rajapaksha; Sri Lanka



MLI President (left), Perry Baltimore, with Lance Corporal Rajapaksha (center), MDD *Yankee*, and BG Amith Seneviratne



#### Yemen

The ongoing conflict and perpetual violence in Yemen are relentlessly destroying livelihoods, families, and people's futures. While thousands of schools remain closed, children find themselves at an increased risk of suffering injuries or death as more landmines continue to be planted into the ground.

MLI's partnership with the Yemeni Association for Landmine Survivors (YALS) has enabled us to continue providing assistance to the most vulnerable people through our CHAMPS and Survivors' Assistance programs. YALS, an indigenous organization, helps landmine survivors reintegrate into society. In 2017, MLI provided medical

assistance and vocational training to 130 survivors, and coordinated monthly video conference calls between U.S. and Yemeni children, despite school closings. The North Carolina Tarheel campaign raised well over \$7,000, which the students decided to use in helping Yemeni mine survivors. Three survivors received assistance thanks to the North Carolina students.

In 2017, 10 graduates of the 2015 carpentry vocational training course were able to use their carpentry skills to build wheelchair ramps in schools and hospitals around Sana'a. This not only allowed them to generate income for themselves, but it also helped to reduce physical barriers to mobility for other survivors.





**66 landmine survivors** received prosthetics and medical assistance in 2017



**64 survivors** completed vocational training courses in sewing, carpentry, weaving, handicrafts, and beekeeping in 2017



Young landmine survivor, Areej, gets fitted for a new prosthetic leg



Carpentry course participants install wheelchair ramps at YALS



## **OUR 2017 DONORS & PARTNERS**

#### **Major donors**

- ♦ Anne Witkowsky and John Baker
- ♦ The Honorable Anthony Lake
- ♦ Association of the US Army
- ♦ Coulson Tough K-6
- ♦ The Honorable Frances Cook
- ♦ GardaWorld Federal Services
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- ♦ Azerbaijan National Agency for Mine Action
- ♦ Global Training Academy
- ♦ ITF Enhancing Human Security
- ♦ Iraqi Mine and UXO Clearance Organization
- Landmine Resource Center at the University of Balamand, Lebanon
- ♦ Lebanese Mine Action Center
- Mine Detection Dog Center in Bosnia & Herzegovina
- ♦ Mines Advisory Group
- ♦ Ministry of the Peshmerga
- ♦ Office of Civil Protection—Federation of BiH
- ♦ Office of Civil Protection—Republika Srpska
- ♦ Sri Lankan Army's Humanitarian Demining Unit
- ♦ U.S. Department of State—PM/WRA
- ♦ Yemen Association for Landmine & UXO Survivors

## **MDD & EDD Donors**

#### Afghanistan

#### 2007

**Dynamic**, gift of General Dynamics **General**, gift of General Dynamics **Cowboy**, gift of the Wyoming Association of **Broadcasters** 

#### 2008

**Soldier**, gift of the Association of the U.S. Army Dragon, gift of Glenelg Country School, Maryland **Stitch**, gift of the Michael Lazar Family Gus, gift of Nicholas and Eleanor Chabraja

**Raka**, gift of Synchronicity Foundation Pete, gift of the U.S. Department of State

## 2009

**Friendship**, gift of the Friendship Hospital for

Abrams, gift of General Dynamics\* **Stryker**, gift of General Dynamics Blairstown, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation Laura, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation\*\* **Toby**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation\*\* Vermont, gift of schoolchildren of Vermont and

Antonio Pomerleau\* **Quido**, gift of the U.S. Department of State Villano, gift of the U.S. Department of State\*

#### 2011

Holly, gift of the Alma Gibbs Donchian Foundation\*

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Country, gift of Glenelg Country School, Maryland, and K9-9K\*\*

Goodrich, gift of the Goodrich Foundation Luke, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Astro, gift of Orbital ATK† Foundation

Siggi, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation Samsung, gift of Samsung Semiconductor, Inc.\*\*

#### 2012

**Spirit**, gift of the U.S. Department of State\*\*

#### Angola

#### 2011

Boe, gift of Boeing

Mary-Bona, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation

Zafira, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation **Zuja-Anda**, gift of the Laura I. Niles

Foundation

**Aaron**, gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann **Kuito**, gift of Anthony Lake and the 1994 White House Delegation

#### Armenia

#### 2002

**Armen**, gift of the Armenian Assembly of America

Bibie, gift of the Armenian Assembly of America

**Focus**, gift of the Armenian Assembly of America

**Hester**, gift of the Armenian Assembly of

Katja, gift of the Armenian Assembly of America

Koni, gift of the Armenian Assembly of America

#### 2003

**Boston**, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund **Champ**, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund **Heros**, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund Mona Lisa, gift of the Children of Armenia

**Opie**, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund Sammy, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund

#### 2015

**Buck,** gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation<sup>†</sup> Cosby, gift of Henry Harris and the Brunswick School, CT<sup>†</sup>

**Gizmo**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation<sup>†</sup> Simone, gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann<sup>†</sup> **Tiger Pride**, gift of Lisa Hires and Greenwich Country Day School, CT<sup>†</sup>

<sup>\*</sup> Relocated to Bosnia Herzegovina in 2015

<sup>\*\*</sup> Relocated to Azerbaijan in 2015

<sup>†</sup> Relocated to Bosnia Herzegovina in 2017

## MDD & EDD Donors cont.

#### Azerbaijan

#### 2005

Duco, gift of Alliant Techsystems
Fowler, gift of Dr. Beall and Linny Fowler
Danik, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Oscar, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Tessa, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Lipscomb, gift of Lipscomb University Students for International Peace & Justice and the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Ronny, gift of the Synchronicity Foundation

#### 2006

**Alma**, gift of the Alma Gibbs Donchian Foundation

Rotary, gift of the Baku International Rotary Club and the Rotary Clubs of Coral Gables, Colorado Springs, North Hollywood, Studio City, and Woodland Hills

Meta, gift of the Government of Sloveni Mojca, gift of the Government of Slovenia Marcos, gift of Griselda Hale Nina, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis

Foundation **Dexter**, gift of the Joan Wismer Foundation

Noble, gift of the Joan Wismer Foundation

Donohue, gift of Lehigh Valley and Griselda Hale

Akela, gift of MLI

Bobby, gift of MLI

Canto, gift of MLI

#### 2007

**Brownie**, gift of the Browne Academy and Joan Wismer

**Gaga**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation **Gavran**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation **Guru**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation

#### 2010

Beti, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation

#### 2013

Rocket, gift of ATK Elke, gift of ITF Kora, gift of ITF Roki, gift of MLI Mace, gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann

#### Bosnia & Herzegovina

#### 2004

Pres, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis
Foundation
Andy, gift of Jane Schultz
Tom, gift of Jane Schultz
Geoff, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Misty, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Tepke, gift of MLI

#### 2005

Apollo, gift of Apollo Junior High School,
Texas, and the Glory Foundation
Lyn, gift of the Charles Engelhard
Foundation
Jane, gift of the Joan Wismer Foundation
Avala, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Lilo, gift of the Michael Lazar Family
Charlie, gift of Pfizer, Inc.
Ryno, gift of Union Pacific

#### 2007

**South Hadley**, gift of Chelsea Fernandes and John Laughner

**Parky**, gift of the Geoffrey & Elizabeth Parkinson family

**Oscar**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Perry**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Vita/Lester**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Connecticut**, gift of schoolchildren of Greenwich, Connecticut

**Granite**, gift of schoolchildren of Kingston, New Hampshire, and John Laughner

**Arizona**, gift of schoolchildren of Phoenix, Arizona, and Qwest Communications

#### 2008

**Betsy**, gift of the Geoffrey, Sr., and Elizabeth Parkinson family **Sully**, gift of MLI

#### 2009

**Tony**, gift of Julie Katzmand and the Anthony Lake family

#### 2010

Julie, gift of Anthony Lake Lago, gift of Julie Katzman and the Anthony Lake Family

#### 2014

Jason, gift of Glenelg Country School, Maryland Rachel, gift of CHAMPS Greenwich, Connecticut Oggie, gift of the U.S. Department of State

#### 2016

**Booster**, gift of Orbital ATK **Emily**, gift of CHAMPS Greenwich, Connecticut

#### 2017

Tank, gift of General Dynamics

Donnalley, gift of CHAMPS Greenwich,

Connecticut

#### **Eritrea**

#### 2001

Brenda, gift of James V. Kimsey
Sascha, gift of James V. Kimsey
Utsi, gift of James V. Kimsey
Bart, gift of MLI and the Humpty Dumpty
Institute
Ben, gift of MLI and the Humpty Dumpty

**Don**, gift of MLI and the Humpty Dumpty Institute

## Iraq & Iraqi Kurdistan

Institute

#### 2009

Arco, gift of Ghalib Bradosti
Bowie, gift of Ghalib Bradosti
Dori, gift of Ghalib Bradosti
Eron, gift of the U.S. Department of State
Harry, gift of the U.S. Department of State
Lessle, gift of the U.S. Department of State

#### 2010

Patriot, gift of Raytheon
Diesel, gift of the U.S. Department of State
Paco, gift of the U.S. Department of State
Texas, gift of Woodlands High School, Texas

#### 2012

**Legacy**, gift of CHAMPS Texas and Model United Nations in San Antonio, Texas

**Kimberly**, gift of the Parkinson Family and CHAMPS Greenwich, Connecticut

**Friendship Too**, gift of the U.S. Department of State

Parkie, gift of the U.S. Department of State

#### 2013

**Hawk**, gift of CHAMPS Greenwich, Connecticut

**Blaze**, gift of Cody Treybig and the MDD Blaze team

**Victory**, gift of the Philidelphia Eagles Youth Partnership

**Barrett**, gift of Robbie Goodman and Glenelg Country School, Maryland

#### 2016

**Troja**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Scout**, gift of General Dynamics **Cybil**, gift of Chandi Duke Heffner **Josh**, gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann

#### Lebanon

#### 2001

**Ben**, gift of William Rouhana, Jr., and Amy Newark

**Bookman**, gift of William Rouhana, Jr., and Amy Newark

**Rex**, gift of William Rouhana, Jr., and Amy Newark

**Sally**, gift of William Rouhana, Jr., and Amy Newark

**Speedy**, gift of William Rouhana, Jr., and Amy Newark

**Toughy**, gift of William Rouhana, Jr., and Amy Newark

#### 2008

Iris, gift of Anthony Lake and Julie Katzman Hardini, gift of friends and family of the St. Kassab al-Hardini family

## MDD & EDD Donors cont.

**Champlain**, gift of Girl Scout Troops 125 and 820, of Essex Junction and Williston, Vermont

**Tiger**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation and Joan Wismer

**Nutmeg**, gift of Kirsten Parkinson and the schoolchildren of Greenwich, Connecticut

**Cedarlane**, gift of the LA Cedars Rotary Club **Harry**, gift of MLI and Joan Wismer

**CIMGO**, gift of the Partnership for Lebanon **Shreek**, gift of the Partnership for Lebanon

**Shadow**, gift of the New Lebanon School, Connecticut, and the John Vrabec Shadow Foundation

**Tornado**, gift of the Trinity Episcopal School in Austin, Texas

#### 2010

**Sergeant**, gift of the Association of the U.S. Army

**Bison**, gift of General Dynamics **Fox**, gift of General Dynamics

**Joan**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Tristan**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation **Jonas**, gift of Michael Lazar family

#### 2014

Nadia, gift of Pippa Scarlett and Family Fema, gift of U.S. Department of State Atos, gift of American Task Force for Lebanon

#### 2015

**Ari**, gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann **Bingo**, gift of MDDC

**Cowgirl**, gift of Wyoming Broadcasters Information

**Leader**, gift of Orbital ATK

**Atilla**, gift of U.S. Department of State **Max**, gift of ITF Enhancing Human Security

Nadia II, gift of the U.S. Department of State, named by Pippa Scarlett and Family

#### 2017

**Eni**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Cosby**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation

**Buddy**, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation

#### Nicaragua

#### 1999

**12 MDDs**, gift of the U.S. government Connecticut

#### Sri Lanka

#### 2004

**Blek-Hannah**, gift of Don McCoy and the Sri Lankan Association of Washington, DC

**Lehigh**, gift of Dr. Beall and Linny Fowler, and residents of Lehigh Valley, New Jersey/Pennsylvania

Galleon, gift of the Galleon Group

**CC**, gift of the Hilda & Preston Davis Foundation and Chubb Insurance

**Wyoming**, gift of schoolchildren of Wyoming **Trusty**, gift of the Trust Family Foundation

#### 2005

Connor, gift of Chubb Insurance
Galleon II, gift of the Galleon Group
Macho-McCoy, gift of MLI and friends of Don
McCoy

**Spirit**, gift of Qwest Communications **Kirk**, gift of the Rotary Club of Coral Gables, Florida

**Winona**, gift of the Sri Lankan Association of Washington, DC

**Fernandez**, gift of the Synchronicity Foundation

#### 2011

**Spartacus**, gift of CHAMPS Katy, Texas **Yankee**, gift of the Parkinson family and Greenwich, Connecticut, schools

**L'il Swoop**, gift of the Philadelphia Eagles and Wister Elementary School, Pennsylvania

Jeckie, gift of the U.S. Department of Defense Taso, gift of the U.S. Department of Defense Madjesty, gift of the U.S. Department of Defense, named by the Homan family

#### 2012

Baccus, gift of an anonymous foundation
Bael, gift of an anonymous foundation
Boris, gift of an anonymous foundation
Sammy, gift of an anonymous foundation
Bennett, gift of the U.S. Department of Defense
Chandi, gift of the London Stock Exchange
Group

**Karna**, gift of the London Stock Exchange Group

#### 2017

Murf, gift of the U.S. Department of State Nanee, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation Nibs, gift of CHAMPS Greenwich, Connecticut Bullet, gift of Orbital ATK

#### **Thailand**

#### 2003

Lisa, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation Bojar, gift of Royal Dutch Shell Famka, gift of Royal Dutch Shell Pipin, gift of Royal Dutch Shell Rocky, gift of Royal Dutch Shell Tefka, gift of Royal Dutch Shell



Golf players at MLI and MAG America's charity "Divots Fore Hope" golf tournament in Virginia, U.S.



PSALM (Proud Students Against Landmines) students' bake sale to help landmine survivors, St. Francis Central Catholic School

# **CHAMPS** SCHOOLS

## **United States**

#### **Connecticut**

The Beacon School

Brunswick Middle School

Brunswick Upper School

Central Jr. High School

Cos Cob Elementary School

Glenville Elementary School

Greenwich Country Day School

International School at Dundee

Middlesex Elementary School

New Lebanon School

North Mianus School

Parkway School

Sacred Heart Middle School

Sacred Heart Upper School

St. Luke's School

Stanwich Intermediate House

Stanwich Primary House

Weston Intermediate School

## Bosnia & Herzegovina

Aleksa Santic Elementary, Vojkovići

Dr. Boris Coric Elementary, Kreševo

9th May Elementary, Pazaric

Trnovo School, Trnovo

Kiseljak School, Kiseljak

6 March School, Hadzici

#### Maryland

Glenelg Country Day School

Friends School of Baltimore

#### North Carolina

Hickory Career & Arts Surrey Early College High School

Forest Hills High School

Grandview Middle School

Parkwood Middle School

Polk Central School

Sun Valley High School

Sun Valley Middle School

Waxhaw Elementary School

### Pennsylvania

Anna Linglebach School

John Moffet School

#### **Texas**

Coulson Tough Elementary School

#### Virginia

Willow Springs Elementary School

## Yemen

Al Yaqadhah School

Hamdan School

Nobalaa Al Yemen School



Retired MDD Dino at U.S. Department of State's "Take Your Child To Work Day" event



MLI's Canine Ambassador Yankee visits the Friends School in Baltimore

# 2017 FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Sheet	2017
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$363,746
Grants and contributions receivable	\$228,043
Prepaid expenses	\$11,035
Total Current Assets	\$602.824
Property and Equipment	
Furniture and equipment	\$13,461
Website	\$11,040
Leasehold improvements	\$7,135
Less, accumulated depreciation and amortization	(\$28,454)
Property and Equipment, Net	\$3,182
Other Assets	\$4,133
Total Assets	\$610,139
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$53,646
Deferred rent	\$4,678
Total Current Liabilities	\$58,324
Net Assets	,
Unrestricted net assets	\$401,754
Temporarily restricted net assets	\$150,061
Total Net Assets	\$551,815
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$610,139





Statement of Activities	2017
Support and Revenue	
Private Contributions	\$447,365
Government Grants	\$900,161
Foundation Grants	\$354,179
Investments and Interest	\$502
Other Incomes	\$186
Total Support and Revenue	\$1,702,393
Expenses	
Program Services	
Mine Detection Dog Partnership Program	\$1,168,544
CHAMPS and Survivors' Assistance Programs	\$267,432
Total Program Services	\$1,435,976
Supporting Services	
Management and general	\$98,384
Fundraising	\$181,615
Total Supporting Services	\$279,999
Total Expenses	\$1,715,975
Change in Net Assets	(\$13,582)
Net assets at the beginning of the year	\$565,397
Net assets at the end of the year	\$551,815

Fig. 2 Support and revenue

\$900,161 \$1,168,544 \$447,365 \$354,179 \$267,432 \$181,615 \$98,384 \$502 \$186 Private Government Foundation Investments Other Incomes Management and Mine Detection Dog CHAMPS and Fundraising Contributions Grants Grants and Interest Partnership General Survivors' Program Assistance programs

Fig. 3 Total expenses

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