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# RWANDA

Rwanda and the President's Malaria Initiative first teamed up to fight malaria in 2007. Early on, Rwanda celebrated remarkable progress combating the disease, but encountered a spike in cases 2012-2016. With increased investments and scaled-up interventions by PMI and the Global Fund to Fight AIDs, Tuberculosis and Malaria, Rwanda fought back against the resurgence. Between 2015-2018, the nation drove a 40% reduction of severe malaria cases and a 43% reduction in malaria-related deaths.



## THE PATH TO A MALARIA-FREE RWANDA

↓ **67%**

Reduction  
**in under-5 mortality**  
from 2005

> **65,000**

**Health workers trained**  
in malaria treatment  
since 2006

↑ **69%**

Increase in percentage of  
**Insecticide-treated net ownership**  
2005 2017/2018

SINCE 2006,  
IN ADDITION TO SCALING UP OTHER LIFE-SAVING INTERVENTIONS,  
PMI HAS HELPED **RWANDA** PROTECT:

MORE THAN

**915,000**  
**RESIDENTS VIA**  
**INDOOR RESIDUAL**  
**SPRAY CAMPAIGNS**



## ON THE FRONT LINES OF THE MALARIA FIGHT

Expansion of community health workers is a key ingredient to Rwanda's success in fighting malaria. These mostly female front-line workers use technologies like SMS to rapidly report cases and supply chain stockouts. Their home consultations ensure Rwandans are diagnosed and treated earlier, preventing severe malaria cases from overwhelming medical facilities and maintaining capacity for treating other diseases like COVID-19 and cancer.



With support from PMI investments since 2006, Rwanda was able to expand its community health worker network, which is now also being used to help fight COVID-19.

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AMBASSADOR OF THE REPUBLIC  
OF RWANDA TO THE U.S.

