



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%

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



EDUCATED MIDWIFE

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**.

YOUR VOICE MATTERS!