



Fact Sheet

Mission

American Jewish World Service (AJWS) is an international development organization motivated by Judaism's imperative to pursue justice. AJWS is dedicated to alleviating poverty, hunger and disease among the people of the developing world regardless of race, religion or nationality. Through grants to grassroots organizations, volunteer service, advocacy and education, AJWS fosters civil society, sustainable development and human rights for all people, while promoting the values and responsibilities of global citizenship within the Jewish community.

President

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History

Established: 1985

Budget

Fiscal year 2008: \$30.7 million

Facts & Figures

- Regions where AJWS provides grants and volunteers: Africa, Asia, Central America and South America
- Areas of grantmaking focus: Sustainable livelihoods and sustainable development; community health; education for all; community response to conflicts and emergencies; civic and political participation
- Number of countries where AJWS provides grants and volunteers: 36
- Number of grants: 488
- Number of volunteers sent to developing countries each year: 500
- Total volunteers, all years: 3,000
- People taking action via AJWS advocacy initiatives: 70,000

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