



Use these frequently asked questions to educate your club, school and community about maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT) and The Eliminate Project.

What is The Eliminate Project?

A partnership between Kiwanis International and UNICEF to raise money to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT). Kiwanis' commitment, vision and strength in reaching communities and leaders will help wipe out this cruel, centuries-old disease and pave the way for other interventions. UNICEF has staff working in the most isolated corners of the globe and an unbeatable supply chain.

What is maternal and neonatal tetanus?

In 15 countries around the world, maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT) can quickly turn the joy of childbirth into tragedy. Tetanus kills one baby every 15 minutes. Its effects are excruciating — tiny newborns suffer repeated, painful convulsions and extreme sensitivity to light and touch. There is little hope of survival. And tetanus kills mothers, too.

What does MNT stand for?

Maternal and neonatal tetanus.

Who suffers from MNT?

MNT is caused when tetanus spores, found in soil everywhere, come into contact with open cuts during childbirth. The disease strikes the poorest of the poor, the geographically hard to reach and those without health care.

Can MNT be stopped?

Yes! MNT is highly preventable. Just three doses of an immunization protect mothers, who then pass on the immunity to their future babies. Together, Kiwanis and UNICEF can stop this disease.

How much has Key Club International pledged to The Eliminate Project?

US\$3 million

What fundraising goal has the Key Club International Committee on Service set for The Eliminate Project for the 2017-18 year?

US\$700,000

As of March 31, 2018, how much has Key Club International raised for The Eliminate Project for the 2017-18 year?

US\$345,346

What is Key Club International's most successful fundraiser for The Eliminate Project each year?

[Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF](#)

How many countries have eliminated MNT since Kiwanis partnered with UNICEF in 2010?

24 countries. Watch a video showing the progress we've made [here](#).

Which countries are still affected by MNT?

- Angola
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Guinea
- Kenya
- Mali
- Nigeria
- Somalia
- South Sudan
- Sudan
- Afghanistan
- Pakistan
- Yemen
- Papua New Guinea

As of March 31, 2018, how much has Kiwanis International raised for The Eliminate Project?

US\$78,845,477