

# ANNUAL REPORT 2018



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Removing Landmines, Promoting Stability

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# **ABOUT** US



Peace Makers and Problem Solvers students in Poolesville High School, Maryland



Mine Detection Dog with handler in Azerbaijan



# Our Year at a Glance

**1,462,250 m<sup>2</sup>** of land searched and cleared in Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iraqi Kurdistan, Lebanon, and Sri Lanka





**219 landmine survivors** received medical assistance, prosthetic limbs and vocational training

**8,425 children** received mine risk education through **CHAMPS** 





9 Mine Detection Dogs and 8 Explosive Detection Dogs added to the global inventory of MLI's 227 lifesaving dogs

# 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 to help war-torn nations recover from conflict and regain stability. MLI's mission is to locate, secure, and apply skills and resources to alleviate suffering, restore hope, and promote socioeconomic growth 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, ended Landmines long ago. 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 Mine Detection Dog Partnership Program (MDDPP), which provides highly trained explosive-sniffing dogs and trains local handlers to employ the dogs safely to accelerate the pace of landmine clearance

operations; the Children Against Mines (CHAMPS), which promotes Program global citizenship and engages American youth in service-learning projects to help children living in war-torn countries; and the **Survivors' Assistance Program**, which provides medical care, prosthetic limbs and vocational training to help those injured by reintegrate landmines into their communities. These programs: (1) Educate citizens about the dangers of mines; (2) Provide valuable resources for landmine clearance, especially mine detection dogs (MDDs) and explosive detection dogs (EDDs); (3) Train national leaders charged with mine-action responsibilities; and (4) assist landmine survivors with physical and psychological needs.

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



MLI Staff after the annual Holiday Lunch

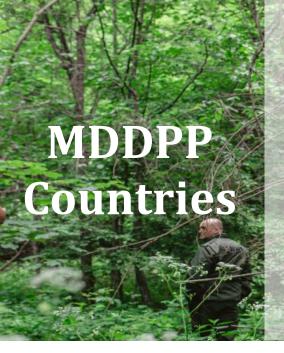
# WHERE WE WORK

For the past 21 years, MLI has strived to assist severely mine contaminated countries by helping them help themselves. MLI builds local capacity and implements affordable and sustainable programs.



# By the end of 2018, MLI:

- Provided 244 mine detection dogs to 11 war-torn countries, and trained certified indigenous handlers to safely employ the dog teams in national landmine clearance program;
- Engaged tens of thousands of youth around the world in the global landmine issue;
- Improved the financial livelihoods of 80 war widows in Iraq by providing them mentoring and training courses in entrepreneurship;
- Provided critically needed medical assistance, prosthetics, mobility devices, and vocation training to hundreds of landmine survivors.



**2018:** Azerbaijan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Iraq, Lebanon

1999-2018: Afghanistan, Angola, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Eritrea, Iraq, Lebanon, Nicaragua, Sri Lanka and Thailand

2018: Bosnia & Herzegovina, United States and Yemen

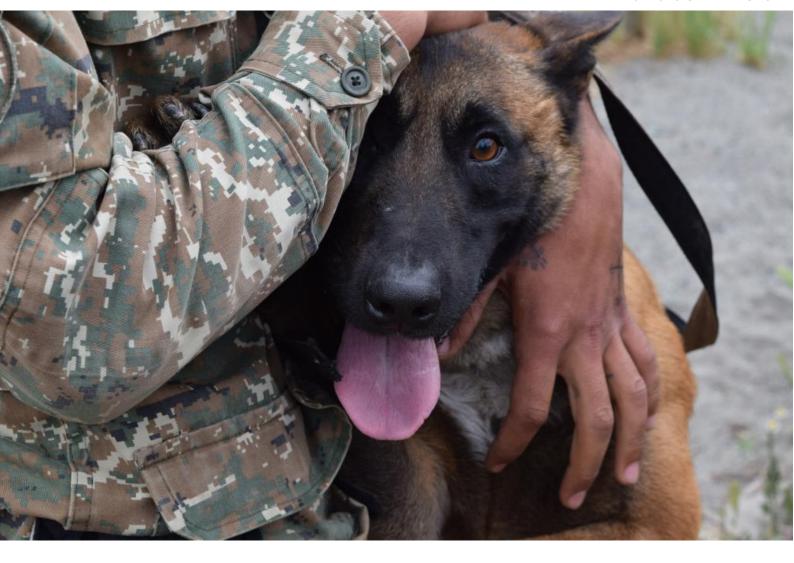
2003-2018: Afghanistan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Iraq, Lebanon, United
States, Vietnam and Yemen



Survivors' Assistance Countries **2018:** Lebanon, Bosnia & Herzegovina and Yemen

2003-2018: Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Lebanon, Iraq, Vietnam and Yemen

MDD with handler in Armenia



# **PROGRAM** OVERVIEW



#### **MDDPP**

Launch year: 1999

Active MDDs by end of 2018: 68

MDDs donated in 2018: 9 EDDs donated in 2018: 8

MDDs and EDDs donated since launch: 244

Land searched in 2018: **1,462,250 m<sup>2</sup>** 

Land searched since launch: 49,338,254 m<sup>2</sup>

#### **CHAMPS**

Launch year: 2003

MDDs sponsored since launch: 42

Survivors assisted in 2018: 134

Participating American schools in 2018: 27

Participating foreign schools in 2018: 6

Mine Risk Education provided to: 8,425 people





## **Survivors' Assistance**

Launch year: 2003

Survivors who received medical assistance and

vocational training in 2018: 85

Conflict-affected women who received business

skill training in 2018: 80

Types of assistance: **prosthetic limbs**,

rehabilitative care, and mobility devices;

vocational training.

# 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 purchase, train, and deliver Mine Detection Dogs (MDDs) and Explosive Detection Dogs (EDDs) to local demining organizations within mine-affected countries. Since the launch of the MDDPP in 1999, MLI has donated 244 lifesaving canines and provided the requisite training to successfully incorporate them into dozens of demining organizations worldwide. Our MDDs and EDDs have searched more than 50 million square meters of mine-contaminated land, returning it to the people for safe and productive use.

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 2018, in response to an urgent request from the Ministry of Peshmerga, MLI donated 8 more EDDs and 6 MDDs to Iraqi Kurdistan and trained local handlers to International Mine-Action Standards to help the Peshmerga respond to the clearance of explosives and IEDs left in the wake of battles against ISIS. All EDD/MDD Teams were certified immediately upon completion of training.

MDDs and EDDs are a crucial component of mine action programs because of their incredible sense of smell, which allows them to quickly and reliably "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 may search up to 30 times faster than a manual deminer without compromising accuracy.

Mine Detection Dogs playing in Bosnia & Herzegovina



When properly integrated with other technologies (manual demining and machines), the mine detection dog team is an incredibly valuable tool in searching for landmines and accelerating the pace of clearance operations. None of MLI's MDDs or EDDs have ever been killed or injured while on the job.

# MDDs and EDDs donated by MLI

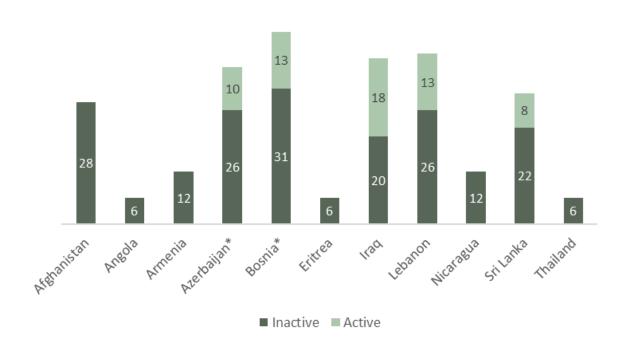
MLI donated 9 MDDs and 8 EDDs in 2018. Six MDDs and eight EDDs were provided to Iraq, and three MDDs were donated to Lebanon.

#### **Retired MDDs and EDDs**

After a working life of searching for dangerous explosives and saving lives, our canine heroes are retired to enjoy the rest of their lives with their handlers 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 2018.



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



CHAMPS Club with K9 Ambassador Nutmeg

# **Children Against Mines Program (CHAMPS)**

In 2003, MLI's Children Against Mines Program (CHAMPS) was inspired by Diana Enzi, wife of US Senator Mike Enzi from Wyoming. This unique program promotes global citizenship and engages American children in the landmine issue, a topic they likely would not be exposed to without CHAMPS. 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 an important international issue and inspire them to explore the problem and become part of the solution.

Through CHAMPS, students raise funds to sponsor lifesaving MDDs and provide medical assistance and prosthetic devices to young landmine survivors. The children's hard work and dedication have led to the sponsorship of 44 MDDs and have helped hundreds of landmine survivors in the 15 years since the program's launch.

CHAMPS also links U.S. schools with schools in mine-affected countries, enabling American kids to work together in service-learning 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 typically conduct monthly video-conference calls with peers in beneficiary countries, such as Afghanistan, Bosnia, Iraq, Lebanon and Yemen.

#### **Peacemakers & Problem Solvers**

In 2018, MLI expanded CHAMPS to launch Peacemakers & Problem Solvers (PMPS), a leadership development program for high-school students. MLI piloted PMPS with students in a Maryland school and a school in Colombia. While PMPS safeguards the main elements that have made CHAMPS a success, such as peer-to-peer engagement and collaboration on projects that positively impact marginalized communities; it also offers students leadership opportunities, a comprehensive curriculum focused on conflict management and problem solving, and a structured process to develop and manage small localized projects.

# Survivors' Assistance

Each year, thousands of innocent men, women and children are injured or killed by landmines and other dangerous explosives. The increase in the use of IEDs by insurgent groups in recent 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 made it increasingly difficult for refugees and internally displaced persons from returning home.

Children are often disproportionally injured by landmines and suffer grave physical harm and emotional trauma. In many war-torn countries, they have little chance of receiving a prosthetic limb or even a wheelchair. With little to no mobility, they may be unable to attend school, making them fully dependent upon their families and sequestered in their homes.

MLI's Survivors' Assistance Program provides support to those who have been injured by mines and other dangerous explosives. MLI provides prosthetic devices, rehabilitative treatments, and vocational training to enable survivors to reintegrate into society and live meaningful, productive lives.

Families with members who have been injured or killed by landmines often face: heavy financial burdens and responsibilities to ensure their families' wellbeing. In 2018, MLI expanded its Survivors' Assistance Program to train and mentor Iraqi war widows in entrepreneurship. These women received in-person and online support from successful Iraqi business-women. 76 of 80 mentored trainees successfully found employment or started their own small Women's businesses! empowerment programs such as this have the potential to make a significant impact in the lives of the most marginalized populations.

In 2018, 46 landmine survivors in Lebanon also received medical care and an additional 39 survivors received vocational training based on their skills and preferences. An additional 134 survivors received assistance in Bosnia & Herzegovina and Yemen. Survivors received vocational training in sewing, handicrafts, carpentry, weaving, beekeeping, and poultry production.

"I used to feel social shame for being a widow; today I am a widow and proud of it because I am economically capable to live and support my family with pride...

Today, I don't care if I am called a widow anymore because I am a business woman".

- Beneficiary of war widow project in Iraq



Lebanese landmine survivor getting fitted for a prosthetic

# 2018 COUNTRY **OVERVIEW**





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 continued to expand the MDD Partnership Program in Azerbaijan and by 2018, had provided 36 MDDs to ANAMA. These dogs have searched over 28.2 million square meters of land in their working years. Four of the MDDs were sponsored by American children through MLI's CHAMPS campaigns.

In 2018, ANAMA conducted demining operations in Jabrayil district and along the Nagorno-Karabakh border. All of the released land has been returned to the Azeri people for infrastructure development and agricultural growth, providing safety and security for thousands of residents.

This year, MLI honored MDD *Rocket* and his handler, Vahid Mammadov, as our 2018 Mine Detection Dog Team of the Year. The team traveled to Washington, DC and were honored at the annual *Clearing the Path* Gala. MDD *Rocket* has worked with ANAMA since he was donated in 2014. He was sponsored by Orbital ATK. This award-winning man-dog team has searched 166,373 square meters of land, saving and improving the lives of nearly 13,000 men, women, and children in Azerbaijan. Mammadov and MDD *Rocket* traveled to Washington, DC to receive their award. During the visit, they also met with CHAMPS students at Glenelg Country School in Maryland.

# Quick Glance at Azerbaijan



**28,209,835** m<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2005



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



10 MDDs active by the end of 2018



MDD Rocket and his handler visiting CHAMPS students at Glenelg Country School, Maryland, in October 2018



MDD Country working in the field in Azerbaijan



More than 20 years have passed 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, much more demining work needs to be done, including the municipality of Sarajevo, Bosnia's capital.

MLI began working in Bosnia after developing a strong partnership with the Bosnian-based Mine Detection Dog Center (MDDC) in 2004. Since, MLI has provided 44 MDDs (including six MDDs transferred from Armenia to Bosnia in 2017) to the MDDC and nine other indigenous demining organizations. These highly trained canines have helped to search millions of square meters of land during their working lives. Fourteen of the MDDs have been sponsored by CHAMPS students.

In 2018, MLI conducted a landmine clearance project in Busovača, located in Central Bosnia Canton, through which 42,128 square meters of mine-contaminated land was cleared and released.

Also this year, *Bittersweet Monthly*, an online magazine that features stories of non-profit organizations, selected MLI's Bosnia programs for their October 2018 feature. MLI accompanied the magazine crew on a trip to Bosnia in May and introduced the editors to MLI's in-country MDD managers, landmine survivors, and CHAMPS students and teachers. MLI is grateful for *Bittersweet Monthly's* time and effort to feature MLI's programs in its online feature, which can be accessed here: bittersweetmonthly.com/stories/marshall-legacy.

# Quick Glance at Bosnia



**2,847,796 m<sup>2</sup>** of land searched since 2004



**13 MDDs active** by end of 2018



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



4,109 students and community members received mine risk education in 2018



A handler in Bosnia, captured by Bittersweet Monthly

#### Newnan High School students during a CHAMPS presentation



#### CHAMPS Bosnia

In addition to assisting Bosnia in its demining efforts, MLI has been connecting American and Bosnian children, and providing assistance to landmine survivors through CHAMPS since 2006.

Participating Bosnian and American CHAMPS schools engage in group video calls so that students can get to know one another, 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 other children and teachers in their schools and communities.

CHAMPS students also frequently participate in MRE activities with the internationally recognized *Fantomi Sitting Volleyball Club*, which is comprised of individuals who have lost limbs to landmines in Bosnia.

Each participating Bosnian CHAMPS school, while dominated by a different ethnic majority (Bosniak, Croat, or Serb) is also a part of MLI's interethnic reconciliation program. By working together on projects to help landmine survivors and promote MRE in mine-affected communities, the youth have the opportunity to break down decadeslong ethnic hostilities. Putting aside ethnic and religious differences, youth form friendships and develop mutual understanding. A total of 180 Bosnian students participated in the 2018 CHAMPS program.

Bosnian CHAMPS students conduct a Mine Risk Education presentation

#### Survivors' Assistance Bosnia

With assistance from the MDDC, 16 landmine survivors received prosthetics and medical assistance in Bosnia in 2018. The survivors were all able to meet with CHAMPS students and they shared how grateful they were to receive this assistance.

Mirsad Mirojevic, founder of the *Fantomi Sitting Volleyball Club* in 1995, received MLI's 2018 Survivor's Assistance Award. Mirsad served as a military officer in the former Yugoslavia, and then served with the Army of Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina during the Bosnian war. He lost his left leg below the knee during the fighting around the mountain of Igman in March of 1994.

Misrad befriended everyone who helped him after his accident, making new contacts and quickly became one of the first people who was called when someone new was injured by a landmine. He started helping survivors find employment and fill out paperwork so they could receive government benefits and receive a prosthetic to replace the person's lost-limb.

Over the last 23 years, Mirsad has helped more than 500 survivors, guiding them in their journey as they recover from their loss, and giving them hope in their future. He started to support the CHAMPS Bosnia Program in 2005, and to this day he still continues to visit rehabilitation clinics and hospitals on a daily basis. Mirsad traveled to Washington, DC to receive his award during MLI's *Clearing the Path* Gala.

Honoree Mirsad Mirojevic, 4th from the right, during MLI's Clearing the Path 2018 Gala





MLI launched the new **Peace Makers and Problem Solvers (PMPS) program** in March

2018 by virtually connecting students of

Poolesville High School in Maryland with

students in Diocesano School in Chigorodo,

Colombia. PMPS provides students the

opportunity to cultivate leadership skills, think

critically about the world around them, and work

collaboratively with students in other countries

on social impact projects, taking them from

concept to completion.

Through PMPS, students in both countries identify a shared social issue in their communities and design a project with a set of activities that will aim to address the issue. The goal is for the students to observe how a similar issue may manifest itself differently in both communities.

This year, the PMPS students in Maryland and Colombia are focusing their service projects on anti-bullying and have begun implementing anti-bullying campaigns at local elementary schools in their communities. In November, the students in Colombia won a grant to build a special PMPS space at their school. To strengthen connections between their groups, the students regularly chat on WhatsApp, create "Day in the Life" videos, and participate in monthly video-conference calls with MLI and PMPS educators.

PMPS students follow a specialized curriculum designed for the program by Anne Wooleyhand, a lead educator at Glenelg Country School, MLI's education partner in CHAMPS. The curriculum features topics such as conflict management, time management, project design, and teamwork to help the students think critically about the issues that impact their communities and what they can do to create a positive impact.



Poolesville PMPS students, raising awareness on the dangers of landmines on Poolesville day, September 2018



Diocesano School PMPS students, Colombia



#### **NEW Iraq**

In 2017, MLI launched the Network for the Economic Empowerment of Women in Iraq (NEW Iraq) project in partnership with AMAR ICF to promote economic empowerment, hope and dignity among women who were facing increased financial responsibility due to the loss or severe injury of a male provider in their family. The goal of the project was to provide vulnerable Iraqi women with necessary training, mentoring, and internship opportunities that would improve their position to support themselves and their dependent family members

80 beneficiaries (trainees) in Basrah and Dhi Qar were linked with 16 successful female Iraqi and U.S-based Arabic speaking mentors who worked with them throughout 2017 and 2018 to develop their entrepreneurial skills, help them enter Iraq's labor market, and mentor them in navigating an online networking platform. Towards the end of the project in 2018, with the guidance of their mentors, the trainees developed business

proposals, which were evaluated by the MLI and AMAR project staff. Each proposal was weighed against criteria and the trainees received small grants that enabled them to start their own businesses.

The project concluded in the Summer of 2018 and MLI hosted a recognition ceremony in Washington, DC for the U.S.-based mentors. The mentors overwhelmingly reported that the trainees remarkably increased their confidence, which enabled them to become better entrepreneurs and leaders in their communities.



U.S.-based mentor Josephine on a video-call with her trainees in Iraq

#### MDDPP Iraqi Kurdistan

MLI commenced its work in northern Iraq in 2009 by assisting the demining organization MAG establish an MDD capacity within its local unit.

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. Throughout 2017 and 2018, these EDDs searched nearly 22,000 vehicles, 85 buildings, and 60,000 square meters of land.

MLI provided the remaining 8 EDDs and 6 MDDs to the Ministry of Peshmerga in 2018. MLI's Senior K9 Instructor conducted the basic handlers' course for the MDDs in October and the Kurdish Mine Action Authority certified the MDD teams to International Mine Action Standards in November.

MLI staff conducted a program visit with a donor to Erbil in late November. They participated in a graduation ceremony of the MDDs with their handlers. Representatives of the U.S. Consulate also attended the MDD graduation ceremony.

# Quick Glance at Iraq



**24 MDDs** donated (12 to southern Iraq, 12 to Kurdistan) since 2009



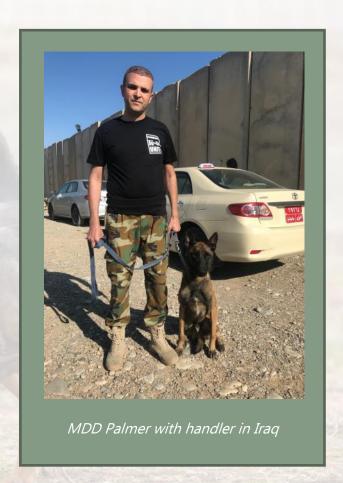
12 EDDs donated to Kurdistan since 2016



**2,111,732 m<sup>2</sup>** of land searched since 2009



**80** Iraqi **war widows** received mentoring and training in entrepreneurship





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 mine-contaminated land. In 2018, MLI's MDDs searched 42,310 m² of land, which directly benefited 3,800 people. This land is used for agricultural purposes, development of housing areas, and improving infrastructure, such as the construction of new water pipelines.

In July, MLI delivered three MDDs to Lebanon as part of the State Department grant to provide Mine Detection Dogs and training, Mine Risk Education training, and assistance to Lebanese landmine survivors.

#### Survivors' Assistance

In Summer 2018, MLI and our partners successfully concluded a survivors' assistance program in Lebanon. MLI provided medical assistance in the form of new prosthetic limbs, repairs to existing prosthetic limbs or mobility devices to 46 Lebanese landmine survivors. Additionally, MLI held two vocational training courses, focused on beekeeping and apple production, for an additional 39 Lebanese landmine survivors or their family members to increase their economic opportunities. 18 participating survivors competed for and won income-generating grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000 USD.

# Quick Glance at Lebanon



39 MDDs donated to Lebanon Mine Action Center



**1,054,725** m<sup>2</sup> of land searched since 2001



424 survivors have received vocational training and medical assistance since 2009



46 survivors received medical assistance and were fitted for prosthetic limbs in 2018



Bshara Aoun, Beekeeper in Lebanon.



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 and 2018 are helping Sri Lanka get closer to its 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 2018, MLI's Mine Detection Dogs helped the HDU search more than 83,000 square meters of land. The MDDs located 19 antipersonnel landmines and 5 UXO. Their work in eastern Sri Lanka and the Jaffna Peninsula directly improved the lives of 400 people. The clearance of this land will enable the resettlement of internally displaced people.



Mine Detection Dog Bael with his handler

# Quick Glance at Sri Lanka



**1,108,586 m<sup>2</sup>** of land searched since 2003



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



8 MDDs active by end of 2018



MDD Sammy with her handler at an event hosted for the U.S. Embassy in Sri Lanka



The ongoing conflict and perpetual violence in Yemen continue to relentlessly destroy 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, a local organization, helps landmine survivors reintegrate into society.

In August, MLI was able to extend its Survivors' Assistance program in Yemen through the support of the Department of State. Through this lifesaving and life-enhancing program, MLI provides medical assistance and vocational

training assistance for Yemeni landmine survivors. In 2018, 65 people received medical assistance and 53 people were trained in vocational skills. Female landmine survivors in age from 16-55 received vocational training in sewing, and male landmine survivors in age from 20-43 participated in carpentry and weaving vocational courses.

Micro-grants, another substantial component of the program, are provided to graduates of previous vocational training courses. Interested graduates must prepare and submit business plans to YALS and MLI for evaluation. The microgrants have helped the beneficiaries start their sewing, beekeeping, and carpentry own businesses. Additionally, several graduates of the carpentry vocational training course participated in a large project in 2018 to build wheelchair ramps for homes, hospitals, and schools in and around Sana'a.

# Quick Glance at Yemen



**65 landmine survivors** received prosthetics and medical assistance in 2018



**53 survivors** completed vocational training courses in sewing, carpentry, weaving, handicrafts, and beekeeping in 2018



Ekram with some of her completed sewing pieces



Azerbaijan Mine Detection Dog Team of the Year with MLI President, Perry Baltimore, as well as MLI Vice President of Operations, Elise Becker and Board Member, Frances Cook, during MLI's 2018 Clearing the Path Gala

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- ♦ U.S. Department of State—PM/WRA
- ♦ UEM (Bosnia)
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# **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

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Blairstown, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation
Laura, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation\*\*
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#### 2011

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#### 2012

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#### **Angola**

#### 2011

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Mary-Bona, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation Zafira, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation Zuja-Anda, gift of the Laura J. 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 America 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 Fund Opie, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund Sammy, gift of the Children of Armenia Fund

#### 2015

**Astro**, gift of Orbital ATK<sup>†</sup> **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>

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<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

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

#### Iraq & Iraqi Kurdistan

#### 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

#### 2018

Athos, gift of Hillwood: a Perot Company
Bob, gift of Hillwood: a Perot Co,mpany
Kenji, a gift of Hillwood: a Perot Company
Kiro, a gift of Hillwood: a Perot Company
Mono, a gift of Hillwood: a Perot Company
Smokey, a gift of Hillwood: a Perot Company
Joe, a gift of General Schultz
Boomer, a gift of General Dynamics
Marschall, a gift of Glenelg Country School
Javi, a gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann
Cygnus, a gift of CHAMPS Coulson Tough Elementary
School, Texas

#### 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

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#### 2008

Iris, gift of Anthony Lake and Julie Katzman

Hardini, gift of friends and family of the St.

Kassab al-Hardini family

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

Buddy, gift of the Laura J. Niles Foundation

#### 2018

Alana, a gift of Stephen and Jaqui Edelmann
Astor, a gift of Laura J. Niles Foundation
Zaatar, a gift of the American Task Force for
Lebanon

#### **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



Pre-schoolers sharing their drawings with Nutmeg



Bosnian CHAMPS students

"I learned that we do many of the same things that the Bosnian kids do, there are only a few things that are different. One thing we do that is the same is that we both go to school and we all have homework to do, but our school day is much longer than theirs. They help people that were hurt by landmines, we sponsor mine detection dogs to try to help get rid of the landmines."

- Lily, a CHAMPS student in a school in Connecticut shares her thoughts after a call with Bosnian CHAMPS students

# **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

Grace Christian 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

#### Georgia

Newnan High School

#### Maryland

Glenelg Country Day School

Friends School of Baltimore

#### North Carolina

Hickory Career & Arts Surrey Early

Parkwood Middle School

#### Pennsylvania

Anna Linglebach School

John Moffet School

#### Texas

Coulson Tough Elementary 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

### Yemen

Al Yaqadhah School

Hamdan School

Nobalaa Al Yemen School



PSALM Event 2018



Call with Bosnia at Newnan High School



John Marschall and his retired Mine Detection Dog Nutmeg conduct a mine detection demonstration at James Madison University

# 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Sheet	2018
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$334, 217
Grants and contributions receivable	\$334, 804
Prepaid expenses	\$4,913
Total Current Assets	\$673, 934
Property and Equipment	<u> </u>
Furniture and equipment	\$12, 661
Website	\$11, 040
Leasehold improvements	\$7, 135
Less, accumulated depreciation and amortization	(\$29, 095)
Property and Equipment, Net	\$1, 741
Other Assets	\$4, 133
Total Assets	\$679, 808
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$230, 665
Net Assets	<u>'</u>
Unrestricted net assets	\$380, 205
Temporarily restricted net assets	\$68, 938
Total Net Assets	\$449, 143
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$679, 808





Statement of Activities	2018
Support and Revenue	
Private Contributions	\$251, 836
Grants and Contracts	\$1, 557, 370
Inkind contributions	\$875
Dividends and Interests	\$472
Total Support and Revenue	\$1, 808, 974
Expenses	
Program Services	
K-9 Demining Corps	\$1, 401, 746
Mine Awareness and Victims Assistance	\$263, 483
Total Program Services	\$1, 665, 229
Supporting Services	
Management and general	\$95, 869
Fundraising	\$150, 548
Total Supporting Services	\$246, 417
Total Expenses	\$1, 911, 646
Change in Net Assets	(\$102, 672)
Net assets at the beginning of the year	\$551, 815
Net assets at the end of the year	\$449, 143

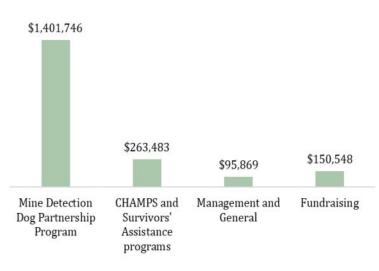
Fig. 2 Support and revenue

\$1,557,370

\$251,836
\$334,804
\$472 \$875

Private Government Foundation Investments Other Incomes Contributions Grants Grants and Interest

Fig. 3 Total expenses



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