

A better world for all ages

We want every older woman and man to be able to say:

HelpAge International

global network

“I have the income I need”

In the last 5 years we helped 6.6 million older people in 13 countries gain access to a pension or benefit.



In low- and middle-income countries, only **1 in 4** people above pensionable age receives a pension.

Source: ILO, 2014

Agriculture is an important source of income for older people. Globally, **27%** of agricultural smallholders are aged over 55.

Source: Heide-Ottosen S, The ageing of rural populations: evidence on older farmers in low- and middle-income countries, HelpAge International, 2014



Many older people work, whether by choice or necessity. Globally, **74%** of men and **47%** of women aged 55 to 64 are economically active.

Source: Calculated average based on ILO Key Indicators of the Labour Market, Labour force participation rate, 2013, www.ilo.org (8 June 2015)

HelpAge global network
There are 113 organisations in 75 countries affiliated to HelpAge International, forming a global network standing up for the rights of older people.

East, West and Central Africa
Current Evangelism Ministries (CEM), Sierra Leone
District Pastoralist Association (DPA), Kenya
Ethiopia Elderly and Pensioners National Association (EEPNA)
Fantsuam Foundation, Nigeria
HelpAge Ghana
HelpAge Kenya
Kenya Society for People with AIDS (KESPA)
Mauritius Family Planning Association
Reach One Touch One Ministries (ROTOM)

Regional Centre for the Welfare of Ageing Persons Cameroon (RECEWAPEC)
Rift Valley Children and Women Development Organisation (RCWDO), Ethiopia
Sawaka-Karagwe (SAWAKA), Tanzania
Senior Citizens' Council, Mauritius
Sierra Leone Society for the Welfare of the Aged
South Sudan Older People's Organisation (SSOPO)
Sudanese Society for the Care of Older People (SSCOP)
Tanzania Mission to the Poor and Disabled (PADI)
Uganda Reach the Aged Association (URAA)
Southern Africa
Age-in-Action, South Africa
Association of Retired Persons Mozambique (APOSEMO)
Elim Hlanganani Society for the Care of the Aged, South Africa
HelpAge Zimbabwe

“I enjoy the best possible health and quality of life”

Through our work, 2 million older people in 22 countries have better access to health services.



60% of people aged over 60 in low- and middle-income countries said they were unable to access health services because they could not afford the visit.

Source: WHO World Report on Health and Ageing, 2015

Life expectancy at 60 varies greatly, from **16 more years** in Afghanistan to **26 more years** in Japan.

Source: Scobie J, Global AgeWatch Index 2015: Insight report, London, HelpAge International, 2015, p.8



The number of people aged 50 or over living with HIV has increased by over 50% in the last two years alone, to **5.5 million** globally in 2015.

Source: UNAIDS, On the Fast-Track to end AIDS, 2016-2021 Strategy

Maseru Women Senior Citizens Association, Lesotho
Muthande Society for the Aged (MUSA), South Africa
Senior Citizens Association of Zambia (SCAZ)
VUKOXA, Mozambique
Eurasia and the Middle East
Albanian Association of Geriatrics and Gerontology (AAGG)
Ardager, Kazakhstan
Center for Studies on Aging (CSA), Lebanon
Dobroe Delo, Russia
El-Wedad Society for Community Rehabilitation, occupied Palestinian territories
Mission Armenia
OSMUJEH, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Palestinian Center for Communication and Development Strategies (PCCDS)
Resource Centre for Elderly People (RCE), Kyrgyzstan
Red Cross of Serbia
Turbota pro Litnix v Ukraini (TLU), Ukraine

East Asia and the Pacific
Centre for Ageing Support and Community Development (CASCD), Vietnam
China National Committee on Ageing (CNCA)
Coalition of Services of the Elderly (COSE), the Philippines
Council on the Ageing (COTA), Australia
Fiji Council of Social Services (FCOSS)
Foundation for Older People's Development (FOPDEV), Thailand
HelpAge Cambodia
HelpAge Korea
Helping Hand Hong Kong
Instituto de Acção Social, Macau
Mongolian Association of Elderly People
National Council of Senior Citizens Organisations Malaysia (NACSCOM)
Office of Seniors Interests, Australia
Senior Citizens' Association of Thailand
Senior Citizens' Council of Thailand

“I am safe and secure, free from discrimination and abuse”

We have supported over 1 million older people and their families in emergencies in 33 countries.



Older people are disproportionately affected in disasters: **75%** of people who died due to Hurricane Katrina in 2005 were over 60, although they made up only **16%** of the population.

Source: Wilson N, Public Policy and Ageing Report, 2006



Older people often find it difficult to obtain formal employment. Over **40%** of people over 50 in a survey in Peru said they were refused work because of their age.

Source: HelpAge International, The human rights of older people: panel, survey and key findings for Peru, Mozambique and Kyrgyzstan, 2012



Globally, over **22%** of women aged 65-69 have experienced physical or sexual abuse by a partner. For low- and middle-income countries in Africa, this figure is over **38%**.

Source: WHO Global Health Observatory, 2010 (Accessed 7 Dec 2015)

Singapore Action Group of Elders (SAGE)
Society for Women's Initiative for Ageing Successfully (WINGS), Singapore
Tsao Foundation, Singapore
Vietnam Association of the Elderly (VAE)
Yayasan Amal USIAMAS, Malaysia
Yayasan Emong Lansia (YEL), Indonesia
South Asia
Bangladesh Women's Health Coalition (BWHC)
Dhaka Ahsania Mission (DAM), Bangladesh
Gramin Vikas Vigyan Samiti (GRAVIS), India
HelpAge India
HelpAge Sri Lanka
Pakistan Medico International
Resource Integration Centre (RIC), Bangladesh
North America
AARP, USA
HelpAge Canada

HelpAge USA
West Virginia University Center on Aging, USA
Latin America and Caribbean
Action Ageing Jamaica
ALA Dominicana, Dominican Republic
Asociación Gerontológica Costarricense (AGECO), Costa Rica
Asociación Red Tiempos de Colombia
Asociación Mutual Israelita Argentina (AMIA)
Caritas Chile
Centro de Asistencia y Promoción Integral de Salud (CAPIS), Peru
Centro Proceso Social, Peru
CESTRA, Colombia
CooperAcción, Peru
Dominica Council on Ageing
Extended Care through Hope and Optimism (ECHO), Grenada
Fundación Horizontes, Bolivia
Fundación ISALUD, Argentina

“My voice is heard”

Almost 290,000 people signed a petition calling for a UN convention on the rights of older people.



By 2050, more than **1 in 5** people in the world will be 60+.

Source: UNDESA Population Division, World population prospects: the 2015 revision, DVD Edition, 2015

Nearly a quarter of the world's women are aged 50 or over. Many surveys on violence against women do not collect data on those aged 50+.

Source: UNDESA Population Division, World population prospects: the 2015 revision, DVD Edition, 2015



Older people want to be heard. More than **285,000** people have taken part in Age Demands Action campaigns in the last 5 years.

Haitian Society for the Blind (SHAA)
HelpAge Barbados
HelpAge Belize
HelpAge St Lucia
Instituto para el Desarrollo de la Pesca y Minería (IPEMIN), Peru
National Foundation for Blind Care, Suriname
Old People's Welfare Association (OPWA), Montserrat
Peru Coordinating Group for Older People (Mesa de Trabajo)
Pro Vida Bolivia
Pro Vida Colombia
Reaching Elderly Abandoned Citizens Housebound (REACH), Dominica
Red de Programas para el Adulto Mayor, Chile
Society of St Vincent de Paul, Antigua
St Catherine Community Development Agency (SACDA), Jamaica
Sumaj Punchay, Bolivia

Western Europe
Eldre Sagen/DaneAge Association, Denmark
Age Action Ireland
Age International, UK
Caritas Malta
Centre for Policy on Ageing, UK
Cordaid, Netherlands
HelpAge Deutschland
HelpAge International España, Spain
Kwa Wazee, Switzerland
Pensionärernas Riksorganisation (PRO), Sweden
Slovene Philanthropy, Slovenia
The Union for Senior Services (Valli), Finland
WorldGranny, Netherlands
Zivot 90, Czech Republic