What you need to know

1. We are uniting to make history and save more than 61 million women and babies.

2. We have partnered again with UNICEF in our global effort to eliminate MNT, a deadly yet highly preventable disease.

3. We need every Kiwanis family member, club, division and district to participate to reach our US$110 million fundraising goal.

4. Our successful campaign is growing our membership, raising our visibility and strengthening Kiwanis International.

5. Together, we will eliminate MNT from the face of the Earth—and ensure that no mother has to watch her baby die simply because she didn’t have access to the tetanus vaccine.
The Kiwanis family is making history through The Eliminate Project! Since Kiwanis International joined UNICEF in the fight to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus, infant mortality rates have dropped significantly. And since 2011, more than 15 countries have eliminated MNT.

Because of Kiwanis, vaccines are reaching the women who need them—those in the world’s poorest and most remote regions—saving millions of lives.

While we celebrate our great progress, the work must continue. Babies are still dying—134 newborns every day. Millions of women and babies need our support. Together, we will eliminate this disease.

Important facts about the fight

- 1 baby dies every 11 minutes from tetanus
- 134 newborns die every day from tetanus
- Between 2010 and 2013, neonatal tetanus deaths decreased by more than 15 percent—25 fewer babies die each day
- MNT has been eliminated from more than 35 countries since 2000
- A series of 3 doses of the tetanus vaccine = immunity from tetanus
- Women + vaccine = protected baby
- US$1.80 protects one woman and her future babies

Figures are accurate as of January 2015 and are subject to change.