

How you've helped make a difference in 2017

RESULTS

We would like to say a big thank you to all RESULTS campaigners for using your voices to change the world throughout 2017! You have campaigned on education, UK aid, nutrition, TB and polio during a turbulent political year by meeting with your MP, writing persuasive letters and e-mails, organising community events and attending our National Conference and a joint-agency advocacy day. Thank you for everything you have done this year and for campaigning with us to end poverty.



RESULTS campaigners wrote to and met with their MPs to ask them to support our 'One Last Push' campaign' on polio by signing a cross-party letter to Priti Patel, which asked her to commit to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative replenishment.



WORLD TB DAY

RESULTS campaigners planned events around the UK to coincide with World TB Day. Film screenings were shown in Brighton, Edinburgh, Linlithgow and Oxford. Birmingham group organised a pub quiz that featured a round on TB, whilst Manchester group prepared a photography exhibition on TB in the Manchester Royal Eye Hospital.



RESULTS campaigners around the country responded to the snap-election by writing letters or attending hustings events to ask their election candidates questions on international development and the importance of continued UK aid spending.



RESULTS NATIONAL CONFERENCE

On 6-8 May, over 80 campaigners travelled to London for the highlight of the grassroots annual calendar – our National Conference! Through workshops, guest speakers and training sessions, we explored why citizen activism is important now more than ever.



RESULTS campaigners contacted their MPs to urge G20 leaders to prioritise research and development of new treatments for drug-resistant TB. William Ross from Linlithgow persuaded Martyn Day MP to sign up within a record 2 hours and 20 minutes of our monthly conference call!



CAMPAIGN WIN!

As G20 leaders met in Hamburg, RESULTS campaigners ensured our priorities were heard loud and clear. We were delighted when the G20 called for a new research and development platform to tackle drug-resistant infection, and specifically mentioned TB. Following the G20, we are now looking forward to the first ever UN High-Level Meeting on TB in September 2018. Watch this space...

JANUARY 2017

FEBRUARY

MARCH

APRIL

MAY

JUNE

JULY

The Catholic Herald published two letters by Stort Valley campaigner Gill Price on TB, during the build-up to World TB Day in March.



Campaigners from the Edinburgh group promoted RESULTS at the Edinburgh Fairtrade Festival and spent the day recruiting new members and raising awareness of RESULTS' campaigns.



Norwich group met with East of England MEP Alex Mayer to explain #TheDrugsDontWork campaign and why greater research and funding for TB is essential.



The Poole group raised a fantastic £640 for RESULTS at their plant sale and cream tea afternoon.



RESULTS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Four grassroots volunteers travelled to Washington D.C. for the RESULTS International Conference, during which they took part in an advocacy meeting at the World Bank and covered topics ranging from education to climate risk insurance. Hannah Lathan from the Oxford group said this visit showed her that "even as volunteers, we can have our voices heard on the global stage."





The London group held a 'craftivism' (activism through craft) afternoon in Hyde Park. They crafted a range of creative messages that were then sent to MPs, such as a handkerchief with a hand-stitched 'Don't blow it' message to Ruth Cadbury MP, as part of our on-going campaign on the importance of UK aid.



CAMPAIGN WIN!

The UK pledged £100 million to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, leading the world closer than ever to eradicating polio forever. The money pledged will fund the vaccination of 45 million children annually until 2020, when the world could finally be declared polio-free, and making polio only the second disease in human history to be eradicated, after smallpox.



@patel4witham: Polio has no place in the 21st Century #UKaid will vaccinate up to 45m children each yr until 2020 - that's 80 children a minute #EndPolio



INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY

11 RESULTS campaigners travelled to London for an advocacy day in Parliament to mark the 25th annual International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. 9 campaigners met with their MP to share UK aid success stories and speak about nutrition, education and health. We were briefly joined by Jeremy Corbyn, leader of the opposition, who was photographed with Gill Price from the Stort Valley group.



Vikki Burns from the Birmingham group created a Sustainable Development Goals advent calendar, sharing a different fact each day in the run-up to Christmas.

AUGUST

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER

DECEMBER

Over 25 postcards from campaigners reached MPs around the country during the summer parliamentary recess, thanking them for supporting UK aid and explaining why this needs to be at the top of their agenda.



As part of our 'Healthy Lives' campaign, Brighton group met with Caroline Lucas, MP for Brighton Pavilion and co-leader of the Green Party, to discuss the need for UK leadership on nutrition.



@CarolineLucas: Pleased to meet James from @resultsuk to discuss vital UK presence & action at Global Nutrition Summit next month



To coincide with World Poverty Day, letters and articles from RESULTS campaigners were published in the Linlithgow Gazette, Catholic Herald, Hertfordshire Mercury and Bournemouth Daily Echo.



RESULTS campaigners met with and wrote to MPs asking them to sign a cross-party letter in advance of the Global Partnership of Education's Financing Conference, calling on new Secretary of State for International Development, Penny Mordaunt, to make a strong UK contribution. The Edinburgh group met with Tommy Sheppard MP and Ian Murray MP in the space of a week, who both agreed to sign the letter.



VOICES FROM THE NETWORK



I love campaigning with RESULTS because what we do works. Very powerfully. Time and again.

All you need is the desire to see a better world, one without the worst aspects of hunger and poverty. The actions we take move us closer to that becoming a reality within our lifetime. Yes, tackling hunger and poverty is a complex issue, but we can nibble away at it bit by bit rather than being overwhelmed by the scale of the problem.

I love how we work on various issues from climate insurance to education to nutrition to TB. The letters I write help unlock funding or raise awareness with key decision makers to move each of these important areas forward. RESULTS enables me to use my voice to help make the world a better and fairer place for everyone.

SANJAY VAJA Macclesfield group leader



The campaigns RESULTS UK work on are incredibly important and they are what keeps me motivated and involved. This year we have campaigned on the eradication of polio, nutrition, education and tuberculosis – some of the most important issues facing the world today.

Through campaigning with RESULTS I have been able to raise awareness and put pressure on the government to act and pledge money to help combat these issues. But there is always more that can be done and I know in 2018 we can make an even bigger difference.

JAMES FOSKETT Brighton group leader

VOICES FROM THE OFFICE



I am constantly impressed by the commitment, power and knowledge of RESULTS grassroots campaigners. They show time and again that with a positive attitude and a clear goal, a small group of people can have a massive influence in the fight against global poverty.

NAVEED CHAUDHRI Head of Campaigns



Our grassroots campaigners have done an amazing job of getting their MPs to sign onto the parliamentary letter on the GPE replenishment to the new Secretary of State this month. I have spoken to MP offices who only know about the global learning crisis because of a letter or meeting with a campaigner in their constituency. During such turbulent political times, I can't emphasise enough how important this has been for the parliamentary team to ensure that we reach beyond our usual champions to show political leaders that there is cross-party support for these issues.

ELLA HOPKINS Parliamentary Advocacy Officer, Education and Nutrition