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## MEDIA ALERT

### MacKenzie Scott Bets Big on Leadership for Global Health Equity

**Global Health Corps has proudly received a \$6M gift from MacKenzie Scott and her husband Dan Jewett** to advance its mission to build a diverse network of equity-driven emerging leaders. The funding comes at a pivotal time as GHC leaders around the world continue to address the profound effects of COVID-19 on health and wellbeing in their communities.

The potential of leadership for long-term, systems-level change has been largely overlooked as the global health sector to date has oriented around solving urgent problems through disease-focused siloes. But MacKenzie Scott has made a bold commitment to unleashing that potential.

**Global Health Corps (GHC)**, a leadership accelerator, has recruited and trained 1,100+ health equity leaders over the last 12 years. Through a highly selective process in which just 2-3% of applicants are accepted, GHC recruits and places talented young professionals to fill critical non-clinical roles across Ministries of Health, community-based organizations, international NGOs and social enterprises. The 13-month fellowship program is a catalyst for rising leaders that provides access to frontline work experience, bespoke leadership training, coaching and mentorship, and integration into GHC's global network.

*“Global Health Corps exists to close the gap between millions of people dying from preventable causes and talented young people looking to change that. With this transformative gift, we’ll continue to seed global health with strong, diverse talent. We’ll also strengthen our network of rising leaders to drive ecosystem change, solidify our foundation, and plan for sustainable growth.”* said **GHC CEO Heather Anderson**.

Beyond the fellowship, GHC alumni work at 240+ organizations across more than 45 countries, with 87% retained in the health and social impact field. While women hold less than 25% of top leadership roles in global health, 67% of GHC alumni are women. GHC leaders remain engaged with the network, accessing ongoing world class training,

coaching, and mentorship programs that sharpen their ability to drive systems change, advance in their careers, and collaborate for greater impact. As they continue to gain influence and mobilize others beyond the immediate GHC community, their impact generates a ripple effect across health ecosystems.

*“Global Health Corps is building visionary leaders who save lives. With the support of flexible gifts like MacKenzie Scott’s, GHC can recruit and place more talented young Africans in frontline health roles and support them to create a sea change in our lifetimes,”* said **Dr. Alex Coutinho, Programme Director, Kofi Annan Global Health Leadership Programme, Africa Center for Disease Control.**

Scott’s investment recognizes what the GHC community has long known: that *who* leaders are and *how* they lead can be a matter of life-and-death for the communities they serve. Long-term, flexible funding from donors like Scott will allow GHC to equip its network of leaders to meet the immense challenges of this moment *and* pursue a bolder vision for growth of its proven model.

The official announcement can be found at <https://ghcorps.org/catalyticgift/>.

*Global Health Corps (GHC) is a leadership development accelerator committed to mobilizing a generation of diverse leaders to collectively transform health systems. Since 2009, GHC has recruited and trained a network of 1,100+ emerging leaders who are united by the belief that health is a human right.*

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