

2025 Impact Report



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Delivering essential healthcare
to those who need it most.

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27 Years of Service



"Every woman deserves safe healthcare and every child deserves a healthy future.

HOPE Foundation continues expanding access to care in underserved communities."



Dr. Rashmi Murthy
Board of Directors

Message from **Our Founder**

At the HOPE Foundation for Women and Children of Bangladesh, our mission has always been clear: to bring hope, health, and dignity to those who need it most.

In 2025, we continued to witness both the immense challenges and the extraordinary resilience of the communities we serve. In Cox's Bazar, Rohingya refugees and host populations face ongoing barriers to healthcare, including poverty, displacement, and limited access to essential services. Yet, through the dedication of our team and the support of our partners, we have been able to expand our reach and deepen our impact.

This year, HOPE Foundation delivered more than **269,000 healthcare services** across our facilities. From **safe deliveries** and **newborn care** to the management of chronic diseases and the expansion of mental health services, our work reflects a comprehensive and integrated approach to care.

A significant milestone in 2025 has been the strengthening of our **Non-Communicable Disease and Mental Health programs**, addressing a growing but often overlooked burden in humanitarian settings. By combining hospital-based care with community outreach, we are ensuring continuity of care and long-term support for patients.

Our achievements are made possible by the unwavering commitment of our doctors, nurses, midwives, and community health workers, as well as the generosity of our donors and partners around the world.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to innovation, compassion, and excellence, working toward a future where healthcare is accessible to all, and where every life is treated with dignity and care.

Thank you for being part of this journey.



Warm regards,

Dr. Iftikher Mahmood, MD, FAAP

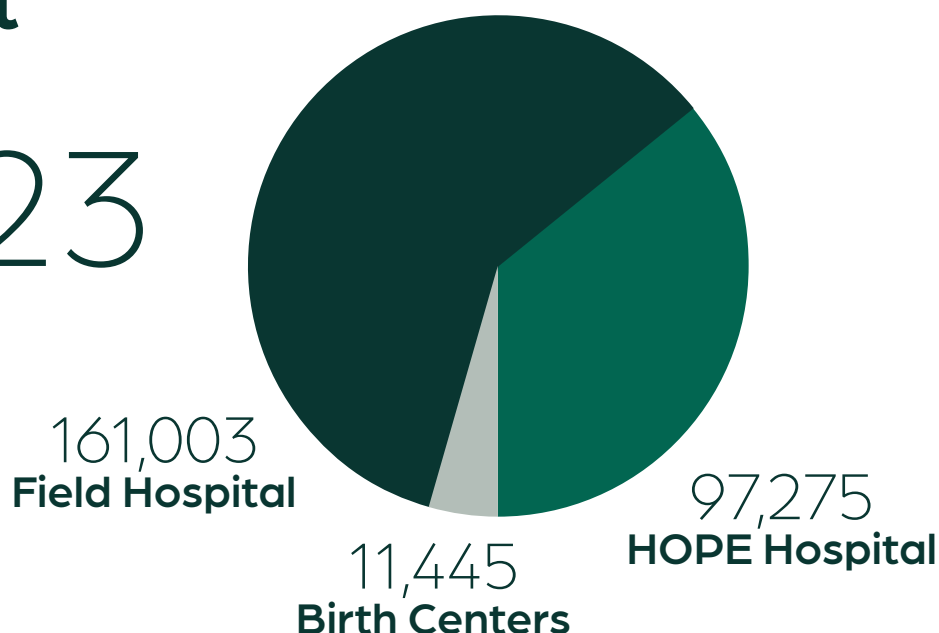
President and Founder

HOPE Foundation for Women and Children of Bangladesh

Diplomate, American Board of Pediatrics

By the Numbers
2025 Impact

269,723
TOTAL SERVICES



44,156
 General Outpatient
 Consultations
 (Female)

11,448
 General Outpatient
 Consultations
 (Male)

11,207
 General Outpatient
 Consultations
 (Children)

2,686
 Safe Deliveries

17,983
 Family Planning
 Counselling

9,406
 Family Planning
 Methods Provided
 (Facilities)

9,230
 Antenatal
 Care Visits

1,199
 Normal Deliveries

6,505
 Non-communicable
 Disease
 Encounters

23,824
 Houses Visited &
 Counseled by CHWs

11,249
 Infection Prevention
 Counseling
 (Midwives/CHWs)

1,487
 Cesarean
 Sections

3,951
 Postnatal Care
 Encounters

64,288
 Lab Test Services

7,285
 Ultrasound Services

Message from **Our Board**

It is an honor to serve on the Board and to witness the meaningful progress made over the past year. Every achievement shared in this report reflects the dedication of our healthcare professionals, staff, volunteers, partners, and supporters, and, most importantly, the courage of the women, children, and families we serve.

This year, HOPE Foundation continued to expand access to compassionate, high-quality healthcare for communities that too often face financial, geographic, and social barriers. From safe maternal care and fistula treatment to essential services for children and families, our work remains rooted in dignity, equity, and hope.

As members of the Board of Directors, we take our responsibility seriously. We are proud of what has been accomplished, while recognizing that many people still lack the care they need. This reality strengthens our determination to do more.

On behalf of the Board, I extend my sincere gratitude to everyone who makes this work possible. Together, we are helping build a future in which every woman and child in Bangladesh can receive respectful care and the opportunity to thrive.



Ali Munju
Treasurer
Board of Directors

Message from **A Donor**

Supporting HOPE Foundation for Women and Children of Bangladesh for more than 14 years has shown me how thoughtful giving can create profound and lasting change. Over the years, I have been continually inspired by the Foundation's commitment to bringing compassionate healthcare to women, children, and families who might otherwise have nowhere to turn.

What makes this organization especially meaningful to me is the way it combines skilled medical care with dignity, empathy, and respect. Behind every number in this annual report is a person: a mother receiving safe care during childbirth, a woman rebuilding her life after treatment, or a child gaining a healthier start. These individual stories remind us that access to healthcare can transform not only one life, but an entire family and community.

I am grateful for the Foundation's transparency and for the dedication of its doctors, nurses, staff, volunteers, and local partners. Their work gives donors confidence that every contribution is being used with care and purpose.

One of the most meaningful parts of my involvement with HOPE has been the opportunity to visit its facilities and meet the people behind this work firsthand. I always look forward to returning every few years and seeing how the organization and its impact continue to grow. I encourage other supporters to visit as well. Seeing the facilities, meeting the teams, and connecting with the communities they serve provides a powerful perspective on the real impact of our support.

I hope others will join us in sustaining and expanding this vital work.



Matthew Malin
Healthcare Executive
Tampa, FL



"Sustainable impact means building local knowledge and capacity so communities can continue creating healthier futures for generations to come."

Dr. Sirajul Islam
Board of Directors

Health Programs

OVERVIEW

- Responded to the evolving healthcare needs of both **Rohingya refugees** and **vulnerable host communities** in Cox's Bazar.
- Delivered an integrated continuum of care, combining facility-based services with strong community outreach.
- Ensured patients received comprehensive care—from prevention and early detection to treatment, rehabilitation, and long-term follow-up.
- Provided lifesaving services through hospitals, field facilities, and rural birth centers across the region.

Delivered comprehensive healthcare including:

- Maternal and newborn health services
 - Emergency and elective surgical care
 - Chronic disease prevention and management
 - Mental health and psychosocial support
 - Community health education and disease prevention
- Strengthened access to quality healthcare for underserved populations in remote and humanitarian settings.
 - Improved health outcomes while building resilience in communities facing prolonged displacement and ongoing humanitarian challenges.



"HOPE begins with access to quality healthcare and grows through compassionate, continuous care."

Dr. Sultan S. Ahmed
Board of Directors



Restoring Health, Dignity, & Hope: Obstetric Fistula Program Since 2011



Obstetric fistula is one of the most devastating childbirth injuries, caused by prolonged obstructed labor without timely emergency obstetric care. Beyond the physical injury, women often face chronic incontinence, severe medical complications, social isolation, and emotional trauma. Yet, with specialized surgery, fistula is highly treatable, and lives can be transformed.

In 2025, **HOPE Foundation continued to expand access to free, specialized fistula care across Bangladesh**, ensuring that women living with this preventable condition received the treatment and support they deserve.

- **117 obstetric fistula repair surgeries** performed free of charge.
- **4,726 women screened and counseled** for obstetric fistula by HOPE's trained Midwives and Community Health Workers.
- Women identified through community outreach were provided **transportation, surgical care, post-operative follow-up, and psychosocial support**, helping them return to healthy, productive lives.
- Outreach services expanded access to specialized fistula care for women living in remote and underserved communities.

Since 2011
1,197 Free Fistula Surgeries

Expenses supported by the Fistula Foundation grant.



Expanding Access Through Strategic Partnerships

To reach women where they live, HOPE Foundation's expert fistula surgical team conducted outreach missions in partnership with leading hospitals across Bangladesh, including:

- Brahmanbaria District Hospital — Brahmanbaria
- Chittagong Maa-O-Shishu Hospital — Chattogram
- Chittagong Medical College Hospital — Chattogram
- Dhaka Filaria Hospital — Dhaka
- Mamata Hospital — Barisal
- Mount Adora Hospital — Sylhet
- Rangamati Medical College Hospital — Rangamati
- Sher-e-Bangla Medical College Hospital — Barisal
- Sylhet MAG Osmani Medical College Hospital — Sylhet



By partnering with referral hospitals throughout the country, HOPE Foundation brings life-changing fistula surgery closer to women who would otherwise have little or no access to specialized treatment.

Looking Beyond Surgery

Every woman treated represents far more than a successful operation. HOPE's comprehensive approach, combining community awareness, early identification, specialized surgery, rehabilitation, and long-term follow-up, restores health, dignity, and hope while advancing the national effort to eliminate obstetric fistula in Bangladesh.



"Our progress in 2025 demonstrates what is possible when dedicated healthcare professionals, communities, and supporters work toward a shared purpose."

Dr. James Howell
Board of Directors

Safe Motherhood PROGRAM



Every pregnancy should end with a healthy mother and a healthy baby. Yet, for many women in Bangladesh, limited access to skilled maternity care continues to place both lives at risk. HOPE Foundation's Safe Motherhood Program provides a continuum of care, from pregnancy through childbirth and the postnatal period, ensuring that mothers and newborns receive timely, compassionate, and lifesaving healthcare.



9,230 Antenatal Care Visits

Women received regular prenatal check-ups, allowing healthcare providers to monitor pregnancies, identify complications early, and promote healthier outcomes for mothers and babies.

2,686 Safe Deliveries

Every delivery was attended by skilled healthcare professionals equipped to respond to obstetric emergencies and provide quality newborn care.

- **1,199 Normal Deliveries**
- **1,487 Cesarean Sections**

3,951 Postnatal Care Visits

Mothers and newborns received essential follow-up care after delivery, supporting recovery, breastfeeding, newborn health, and early detection of complications.

1,862 Newborns Received Specialized Care

HOPE's clinical teams provided immediate care to newborns, helping them begin life with the best possible chance of survival and healthy development.

354 Clean Birth Kits Distributed

Clean Birth Kits were provided to vulnerable mothers to promote safe delivery practices and reduce the risk of infection for both mother and baby.

A Continuum of Lifesaving Care

HOPE Foundation's Safe Motherhood Program provides comprehensive maternal healthcare services, including:

- Antenatal care and pregnancy monitoring
- Skilled birth attendance
- Emergency obstetric care, including cesarean sections
- Essential newborn care
- Postnatal follow-up for mothers and infants
- Family planning counseling and services

By providing care before, during, and after childbirth, HOPE Foundation helps reduce preventable maternal and newborn deaths while giving thousands of families a healthier start each year.



Rural Birth CENTERS

For women living in remote communities, distance can be the greatest barrier to a safe delivery. HOPE Foundation's Rural Birth Centers bring skilled maternal healthcare closer to home, ensuring that women can access quality care before, during, and after childbirth without traveling long distances.

Staffed by trained midwives, these community-based centers provide respectful, high-quality maternity services while serving as a trusted link between rural families and the broader healthcare system.

1,559 Antenatal Care Visits
157 Safe Deliveries
218 Postnatal Care Visits

157 Newborns Received Essential Care
2,156 Family Planning Counseling Sessions
5,785 Community Household Visits

Creating Healthier Communities

HOPE's Rural Birth Centers provide far more than a place to give birth. They serve as trusted community health hubs where women receive:

- Antenatal and postnatal care
- Skilled midwife-assisted deliveries
- Essential newborn care
- Family planning counseling
- Health education and referrals
- Community outreach through household visits

By bringing skilled maternal healthcare into underserved communities, HOPE Foundation helps reduce delays in accessing care, strengthens referral systems, and gives mothers and newborns the opportunity for healthier futures.



Rural Mothers' CLUBS



What Are Rural Mothers' Clubs?

Healthy communities begin with informed mothers. HOPE Foundation's Rural Mothers' Clubs empower women with the knowledge, confidence, and support they need to make informed decisions throughout pregnancy, childbirth, and early childhood.

Led by trained midwives and community health workers, these community-based groups provide practical health education while creating trusted networks where women can learn from one another and seek help when it matters most.

- **185 Mothers' Club meetings**
- **2,713 women reached**

Women Participated in Mothers' Club Meetings

Women attended interactive sessions focused on maternal health, newborn care, nutrition, breastfeeding, family planning, hygiene, disease prevention, and recognizing pregnancy and newborn danger signs.

- **105 Emergency Obstetric Referrals from the clubs**
- **87 Emergency Newborn Referrals from the clubs**

Building Healthier Families Through Knowledge

Every Mothers' Club meeting strengthens the health of entire communities by helping women:

- Recognize danger signs during pregnancy and childbirth.
- Practice healthy behaviors for themselves and their newborns.
- Access skilled healthcare before emergencies arise.
- Share knowledge with their families and neighbors.
- Build supportive community networks that encourage healthier lives.

By transforming women into informed health advocates, HOPE Foundation is creating lasting change that extends far beyond each meeting, improving maternal and child health one family at a time.



Dental Health PROGRAM

The HOPE **Dental Health Program** provides essential dental care and oral health education to underserved Rohingya refugees and host communities in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. Oral health is often overlooked in humanitarian settings, yet untreated dental conditions lead to pain, infection, tooth loss, poor nutrition, and missed school and work days.

Leveraging HOPE Foundation's established hospitals, field facilities, and community outreach network, the program integrates three key components: **(1) oral hygiene education, (2) free dental treatment through clinical and outreach services, and (3) telemedicine to expand access for remote populations.** The program strengthens local capacity by training Community Health Workers (CHWs) to promote preventive care and increase early referrals.

4 Essential Dental Camps 2,592 Facility-based Dental Visits



"Every dental visit is an opportunity to prevent disease, relieve suffering, and restore confidence."

Mohammed Akbar Hossain
Board of Directors

Non-Communicable Diseases PROGRAM



Non-communicable diseases such as **hypertension, diabetes, asthma, and chronic respiratory conditions** are an increasing concern in both refugee and host populations.

HOPE Foundation's **Integrated NCD Program** addresses this growing burden through screening, diagnosis, treatment, and long-term follow-up care.

Patients are supported through a combination of hospital-based services and community outreach, ensuring continuity of care and improved treatment adherence.

Community Health Facilitators and Volunteers play a vital role in identifying patients early and providing ongoing support, helping to prevent complications and improve quality of life.

6,505 Non-Communicable Diseases (NCD) Services



"HOPE's impact is built on trust; trust earned by listening to communities, responding with compassion, and delivering care where it is needed most."

Mohamed Masud Hasan

Board of Directors





Mental Health PROGRAM

Mental health is a critical but often overlooked component of healthcare, particularly in humanitarian settings.

HOPE Foundation's **Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) Program** provides counseling, clinical care, and community-based support for individuals experiencing trauma, stress, anxiety, and depression.

Using globally recognized approaches such as **WHO's mhGAP guidelines, Psychological First Aid, and Problem Management Plus (PM+)**, the program ensures that patients receive appropriate and culturally sensitive care.

By integrating mental health into primary healthcare services, HOPE Foundation promotes holistic well-being and strengthens community resilience.

4,437 Total Mental Health Care Services

736 HOPE Hospital Consultations

3,701 Field Hospital Consultations



Telehealth PROGRAM



HOPE Foundation's telehealth program bridges the gap between underserved communities and specialized medical care.

Through partnerships with international organizations, patients in Cox's Bazar can access consultations with **global specialists in fields such as cardiology, neurology, dermatology, and pediatrics.**

This innovative approach reduces barriers related to cost, distance, and limited local expertise, ensuring that patients receive timely and accurate diagnoses and treatment plans.

Telehealth continues to play a vital role in expanding access to quality healthcare.



"Telemedicine is transforming the way we deliver healthcare by bringing specialized medical expertise to communities where access was once limited. Every virtual consultation bridges distance, strengthens our healthcare system, and ensures that no patient is left behind simply because of where they live."

Dr. Aftab Uddin

Country Director, Bangladesh

Humanitarian Response

SERVING ROHINGYA REFUGEES

The Rohingya refugee crisis remains one of the largest humanitarian challenges in the world, with over one million people living in camps in Cox's Bazar.

HOPE Foundation continues to provide essential healthcare services within these camps, focusing on the needs of women, children, and vulnerable populations.

Services include **maternal and child healthcare, emergency medical care, chronic disease management, mental health support, and health education.**

Through its humanitarian response, HOPE Foundation remains committed to ensuring that refugees receive dignified, high-quality care.

HOPE Foundation extends care far beyond the Field Hospital through community outreach and referral services that connect vulnerable families with lifesaving healthcare.

In 2025:

- **1,187 patients** were referred by Community Health Workers for medical care.
- **2,285 emergency patients** received lifesaving treatment.



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HOPE Field HOSPITAL

The **HOPE Field Hospital** serves as a critical lifeline for Rohingya refugees, providing 24/7 healthcare services in the camps.

The hospital offers a wide range of services including emergency obstetric care, cesarean sections, newborn care, outpatient services, mental health care, laboratory diagnostics, and pharmacy services.



With over **161,000 services delivered in 2025**, the facility plays a central role in meeting the healthcare needs of the refugee population.

HOPE Field Hospital for Women provides the following services:

Cesarean Section	Laboratory Investigation	Physical Therapy and Rehab
Normal Delivery	ECG	Counseling Services
Newborn Care	Ultrasound	Cleft Surgery
Maternity Care	Pharmacy	Dental Health Care
Emergency Services	Outpatient Care	Telemedicine Care
Fistula Screening	Mental Health Care	
Family Planning Services	Dermatology	

35,277 Laboratory Tests Performed

1,935 Ultrasound Examinations

4,012 HIV Counseling & Testing Services

6,505 Infection Prevention
Counseling Sessions

845 People Reached Through Free
Medical Camps

1,172 Blood Transfusions

845 Patients Received Non-
Communicable Disease (NCD) Care

513 Emergency Ambulance Transfers

Infrastructure Renovation and Construction Work

Supported by Islamic Development Bank and King Abdullah Humanitarian Foundation

HOPE Hospital



King Abdullah bin
Abdulaziz Program for
Charity Work (KAAP)

At HOPE Hospital, construction and expansion plans are also progressing to strengthen pediatric, intensive care, general medicine, surgical, and advanced laboratory services, creating greater access to quality healthcare for women, children, and families. The ongoing work will complete the fourth, fifth, and sixth floors of the six-story building, expanding space for essential medical services and patient care.



HOPE Field Hospital

The HOPE Field Hospital renovation is underway, creating an improved and more welcoming environment for patients, families, and healthcare providers. The renovation will increase the hospital's capacity while creating a stronger, safer facility that is better prepared to withstand severe weather and natural disasters.



“It’s inspiring to see women and girls receive health education, and opportunities, because oftentimes they become powerful leaders of change within their families and communities.”



Johanna Hansing
Program Manager



Patients at HOPE Hospital



Newborn and mother receiving care at HOPE Field Hospital



Advanced neonatal Care Unit at HOPE Field Hospital



Obstetric Fistula Surgery Camp by HOPE Fistula surgeon



Volunteer Team from Finland Emergency Medical Society



Volunteer doctors from Chicago, USA



Volunteers visiting the HOPE Field Hospital in The Rohingya Camps



HOPE Team with the volunteer medical doctors from Chicago, USA.



HOPE Hospital morning rounds



Visiting students and faculty members from Bangladesh Medical University, Dhaka.



COX'S BAZAR AIRPORT, COX'S BAZAR
The Refugee Foundation Team (Stichting Vluchteling) from the Netherlands, in Cox's Bazar

“Every life touched reminds us that compassionate healthcare can restore dignity, strengthen families, and transform entire communities.”



Syed Hasan
Board of Directors



Community Outreach PROGRAMS

23,824 Household Visits

Community Health Workers conducted home visits to educate families, identify health risks, and connect vulnerable individuals with healthcare services.

17,983 Family Planning Counseling Sessions

Women and families received education and counseling to support healthy pregnancies and informed reproductive health decisions.

1,510 Community Referrals to Healthcare Facilities

Community Health Workers identified individuals needing medical attention and connected them with HOPE's health facilities for timely care.

1,854 Patients Reached Through Free Medical & Dental Camps

Healthcare teams brought essential medical and dental services directly to underserved communities through outreach camps.



Midwifery
INSTITUTE

ESTABLISHED IN 2012. GRADUATED +255 MIDWIVES TO DATE.

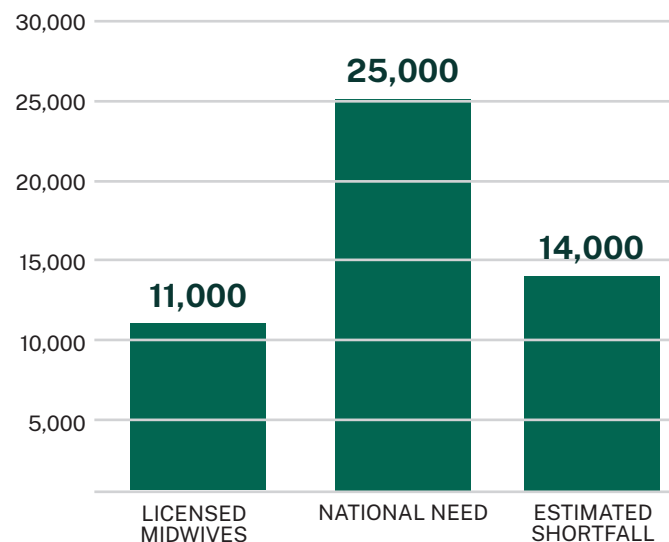
The **HOPE Midwifery Institute** plays a vital role in improving maternal and newborn health outcomes in Bangladesh.

By training skilled midwives, the institute ensures that women have access to high-quality care during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postpartum period.

Graduates of the program serve in both rural and urban communities, providing essential services and contributing to the reduction of maternal and neonatal mortality.

Bangladesh's Midwife Shortage

Bangladesh has just over 11,000 licensed midwives against a national need of 25,000.



Source: UNFPA Bangladesh, 5 May 2026. Shortfall is approximate; licensed midwives are not necessarily all employed.
<https://bangladesh.unfpa.org/en/news/bangladesh-needs-25midwives-improve-maternal-care>

Why Midwives Matter

Trained midwives provide essential care throughout pregnancy, childbirth and after birth.

87%

of essential care services for women and newborns are provided by Midwives educated to international standards.

Source: World Health Organization, Midwifery.
<https://www.who.int/teams/maternal-newborn-child-adolescent-health-and-ageing/maternal-health/midwifery>

HOPE Emergency Medical Response PROGRAM



BMANA



HOPE Foundation's **Emergency Medical Response Program** plays a critical role in saving lives during urgent and life-threatening situations across Cox's Bazar, particularly within the Rohingya refugee camps and surrounding host communities.

Operating 24/7, the program ensures that patients experiencing medical emergencies receive rapid, coordinated, and high-quality care.

Emergency services include:

- Immediate triage and stabilization of critical patients
- Emergency obstetric care
- Newborn emergency care and referrals
- Management of severe infections, injuries, and acute conditions
- Ambulance and emergency transport support
- Referral coordination for advanced care when needed

In 2025, HOPE Foundation provided thousands of **emergency consultations, referrals, and transport services for those affected by the severe floods**, ensuring that patients in critical condition could access timely medical care and necessities.

4,988 Emergency Patients Treated

Patients received immediate assessment, stabilization, and lifesaving emergency medical care across HOPE facilities.

1,702 Emergency Referrals Coordinated

Including:

- **1,510** Community referrals to healthcare facilities
- **105** Emergency obstetric referrals
- **87** Emergency newborn referrals

536 Emergency Ambulance Transports

Critically ill and injured patients were transported safely to healthcare facilities for urgent treatment.

1,172 Blood Transfusions Provided

Critical blood transfusion services supported emergency surgeries, trauma care, and obstetric emergencies.

2,819 Food Assistance Meals

We ensured the distribution of vital food supplies to families suffering from hunger and malnutrition, providing nourishment to those in critical need.

STORY OF AMINA

Amina, a young Rohingya mother, arrived at the HOPE Field Hospital after experiencing severe complications during childbirth. She had been in labor for over two days at home without access to skilled care.

Upon arrival, the medical team quickly performed an emergency procedure that saved both her life and her baby's. After delivery, Amina received postnatal care, counseling, and follow-up support through HOPE's community outreach program.

Today, Amina and her child are healthy. She continues to attend follow-up visits and has become an advocate in her community, encouraging other women to seek skilled care during pregnancy and childbirth.



STORY OF RAHIM

Rahim, a 52-year-old refugee, had been living with untreated diabetes for years. Without access to regular healthcare, his condition worsened, affecting his ability to work and support his family.

Through HOPE Foundation's NCD program, Rahim was screened during a community outreach visit and referred to the HOPE Field Hospital. There, he received diagnosis, medication, and education on managing his condition.

With regular follow-up visits and support from community health workers, Rahim has been able to control his diabetes and improve his quality of life.



STORY OF FATEMA

Fatema, a mother of three, struggled with anxiety and trauma after fleeing violence in Myanmar. She often felt overwhelmed and isolated, with little understanding of her condition.

Through HOPE Foundation's Mental Health and Psychosocial Support program, Fatema received counseling and participated in group therapy sessions. She also joined a peer support group in her community.

Over time, Fatema regained confidence and emotional stability. Today, she supports other women facing similar challenges and plays an active role in her community.



"Every patient story reminds us why HOPE exists: to ensure no one faces illness alone. These stories reflect the courage of our patients and the dedication of our caregivers."

Dr. Murad Thakur
Board of Directors



Health Aide Training PROGRAM IN THE ROHINGYA REFUGEE CAMPS

HOPE Foundation's **Health Aide Program in the Rohingya Refugee Camps** empowers young Rohingya women by training them as community health workers.

These trained assistants support healthcare teams by providing education, assisting with outreach activities, and helping patients navigate healthcare services.

The program not only strengthens healthcare delivery but also creates opportunities for women to gain skills, confidence, and a sense of purpose.

Breaking the Cycle of Poverty Education today. A better tomorrow.

BEFORE

Rural Poverty
Limited Education
Early Marriage
Financial dependence
Limited choices for future

HOPE HEALTH AIDE CERTIFICATION



AFTER

Professional education
Stable income & financial independence
Respected healthcare professional
Supports family & strengthens community
Creates better choices for next generation



"We are proud to support HOPE Foundation in empowering refugee girls to become skilled health aides, creating healthier communities and brighter futures."

Dr. Halima Karim

Board Member, Humanity Beyond Barriers

Education & Training AND RESEARCH

HOPE Foundation recognizes that sustainable healthcare systems depend on strong local capacity.

Through its education and training programs, HOPE invests in developing skilled healthcare professionals, including midwives, community health workers, and refugee health assistants.

The organization also collaborates with international partners to support research and knowledge sharing, ensuring that programs are evidence-based and continuously improving.

52,001 Community Health
Education Interactions

6,236 Women Empowered Through
Maternal Health Education

Building local capacity is one of the most sustainable investments in global health.



International Training, Volunteers & Special Visits



HOPE Foundation continued to strengthen the skills of its healthcare workforce through international collaboration, welcoming volunteers, visiting specialists, and medical educators from around the world.

Throughout the year, **volunteers from the United States and Finland** worked alongside our clinical teams, contributing to patient care, mentoring healthcare professionals, and sharing international best practices.

A team of physicians from Chicago provided clinical services while conducting hands-on training sessions to enhance the capacity of HOPE's medical staff.

In partnership with the **Finnish Emergency Medicine Association** and **Philips**, HOPE hosted a specialized **Point-of-Care Ultrasound (POCUS)** training program in Cox's Bazar. Emergency physicians from Finland trained doctors in the use of portable ultrasound technology for rapid bedside diagnosis of trauma, abdominal emergencies, pulmonary conditions, fractures, deep vein thrombosis, and other critical illnesses. This advanced training equips clinicians to make faster, more accurate decisions, particularly in low-resource and emergency settings where access to CT imaging is limited.

The Finnish team also supported **ultrasound diagnostics training** and **dental outreach services**, further expanding the range and quality of care available to vulnerable communities.

These international partnerships demonstrate the power of shared knowledge and global collaboration in building a stronger, more resilient healthcare system for the people of Bangladesh.



Partnerships That Change Lives

The impact of HOPE Foundation's work would not be possible without the generous support of our valued partners.

We extend our deepest gratitude for their unwavering commitment to improving the health and well-being of women, children, and vulnerable communities in Bangladesh.



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Their trust in HOPE Foundation's mission and vision has enabled us to expand access to quality healthcare, strengthen lifesaving maternal and newborn services, support community-based health programs, and bring hope to thousands of families.

Together, we are building healthier communities, empowering local healthcare providers, and creating lasting change where it is needed most.

Thank you for believing in our mission and for standing with us in our commitment to ensure that every woman, every child, and every family has access to the care they deserve.



"Partnerships built on trust create impact that lasts for generations."

Dr. Rose Joseph
Board of Directors



Donor Appreciation

HOPE Foundation extends its deepest gratitude to the donors, partners, and supporters who make this work possible.

Your generosity and commitment enable us to deliver lifesaving healthcare services, train future healthcare providers, and respond to humanitarian crises.

Together, we are not only improving health outcomes, we are restoring hope, dignity, and opportunity for thousands of individuals and families.



Donor Highlight Story

When we retired, we endeavored to identify charitable organizations to support. We wished to donate to charities whose objectives were maternal and neonatal care, or the provision of eyeglasses. For many years, we lived overseas in locations where poverty was prevalent, and we saw firsthand the difficulties people there had in acquiring medical services; thus we sought organizations that operated in such locations. Finally, we hoped to find charities with a record of efficacy, stable and sustainable finances, yet of small-enough scale that our level of support might make a difference.

Ultimately, we contacted five or six charities. They all wrote back. Dr. Iftikher Mahmood telephoned us at our home. He provided all the information we requested, and gave us a feel for the HOPE Foundation that we believe we could not receive from written communication alone. Peter spent some time living and working in Chittagong, and thus had an affinity for southeastern Bangladesh where the HOPE Foundation operates.

From the outset, we were impressed with the quality and quantity of services that the HOPE Foundation could provide in a challenging locale. But over the years, our admiration has grown as we have seen the number of midwives trained, expansion of services provided, and increased number of facilities.

Political instability and oppression, sadly, are reality in many parts of the world. The extraordinary disruption to the lives of millions of people can be hard to fathom for those who may not have experience. In the time we have been following the HOPE Foundation, perhaps nothing has impressed us more, and been appreciated by us more, than the Foundation's services to Rohingya refugees.

Finally, we are gratified to know we are not alone in our appreciation. Dr. Mahmood and the HOPE Foundation have been recognized and honored by outside organizations several times. The HOPE Foundation for Women and Children of Bangladesh has been all we can hope for in fulfilling our philanthropic aspirations.

Peter Barbella & Trina Tiffany
Athens, Wisconsin



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