

#### THE WORLD TODAY



Every two minutes, a woman dies in pregnancy or childbirth—the majority of these deaths are preventable



Poor nutrition among pregnant women accounts for 800,000 newborn deaths annually



Maternal mortality is one of the leading causes of death among 15-19 year olds globally



The number of stillbirths that occur annually — 98% in developing countries

### THE INVESTMENT CASE

If we meet the need for modern contraception and provide all pregnant women and newborns with quality care,

167%

matern<mark>al</mark> deaths 177%

newborn deaths

Every dollar spent on scaling-up nutrition interventions for pregnant women and children yields \$16 in returns



**\$16** 

# **SOLUTIONS**



Access to affordable care before, during, and after pregnancy



Quality midwifery and obstetric care, including safe abortion and post-abortion care



Access to modern contraception



Exclusive breastfeeding in the first six months of life



# Providing quality healthcare and nutritional support for all women and babies is a small price to pay for a healthy generation.

## **ASKS**

Guarantee access to **quality**, **affordable care** before, during, and after pregnancy - inclusive of midwifery and obstetric care, modern contraception, safe abortion, and post-abortion care.

Support the **prevention**, **screening**, **and treatment of** common challenges during pregnancy such as obesity, gestational diabetes, and high blood pressure.

Address barriers to healthcare, including user fees, poor infrastructure, and a lack of essential supplies, medicines, and micronutrients.

Include girls, young people, and women in the design and implementation of maternal and newborn health and nutrition programs as context experts.

Promote widespread training and education for health workers, women, and community members focused on maternal and child nutrition, counseling, and support.

Promote and provide women access to nutritious food, counseling on proper nutritional practices such as breastfeeding, and critical micronutrients.

### RIPPLE EFFECT

