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# PIH-US' approach builds on PIH's decades of global experience in accompaniment, technical advising, and advocacy



## Sierra Leone

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## Haiti

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## Navajo Nation

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*"As technical advisors, we are designing interventions based on what the needs of our partners are, typically the Ministry of Health, and our experience elsewhere. We start with the local plan, then the regional, then move to the national. It's the same in Rwanda as it was in Haiti and now the same in Immokalee as it is elsewhere."*  
—Fernet Leandre, Zanmi Lasante / Team Immokalee



**We believe health is a human right, *but across the United States, that is not the reality.***

America spends  
**\$3.8 trillion**  
on health care annually.

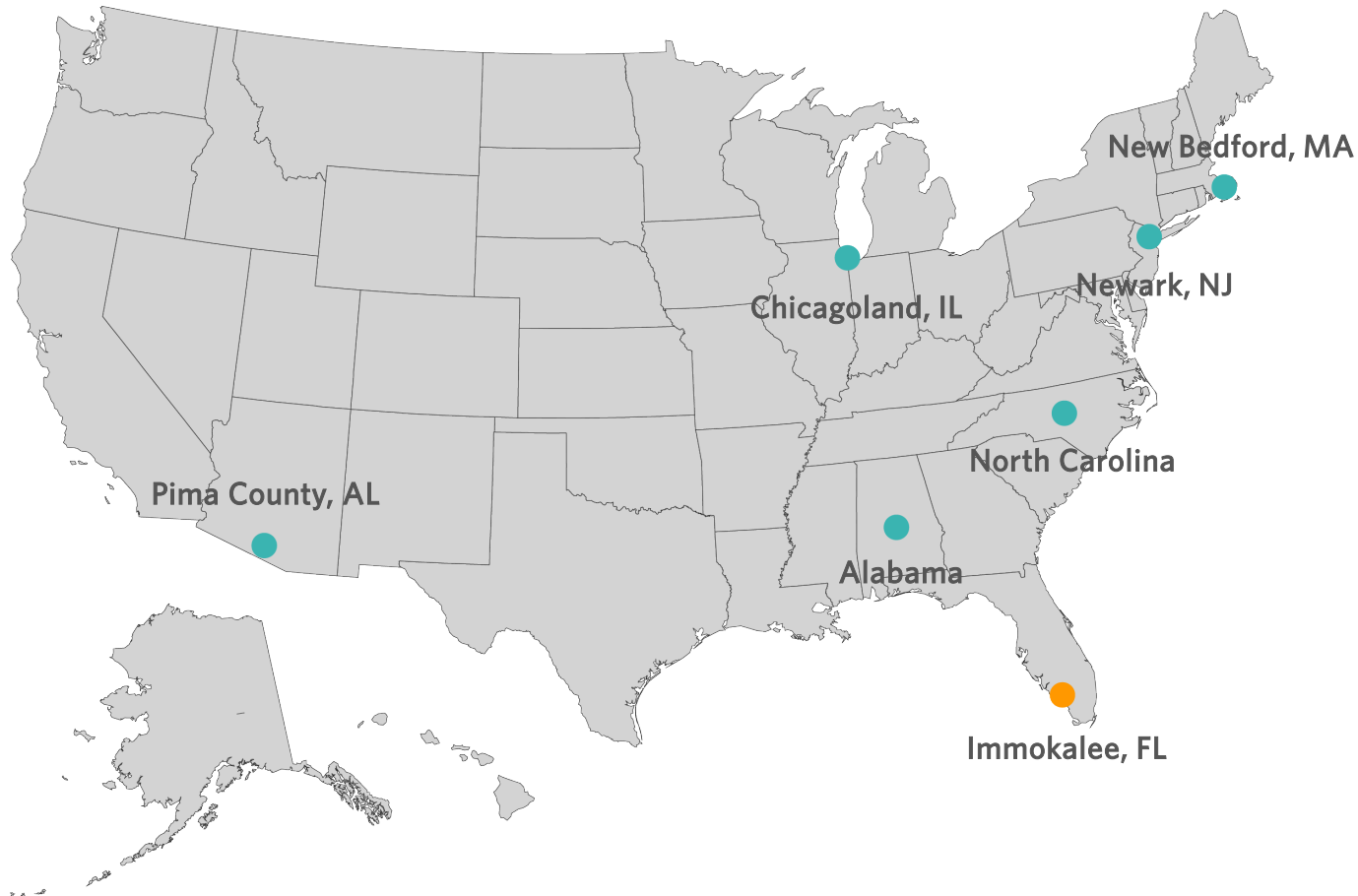
But people of color  
and the poor are  
**systematically excluded**  
from those resources.

In many parts of the  
country, there exists a  
**20-year gap in**  
**life expectancy** between  
low-income communities  
of color and their wealthy  
white counterparts.



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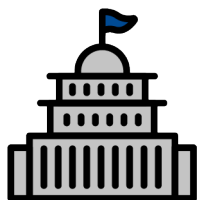
COVID-19 catalyzed our work in the U.S., but we are now committed to advancing health equity over the long term in **seven** core geographies



Our vision is to **radically transform U.S. health and social systems** so that **structures of oppression do not determine** the quality or length of a person's life.



# PIH-US is guided by three cross-cutting focus areas to advance health equity



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## STRENGTHEN PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENTS:

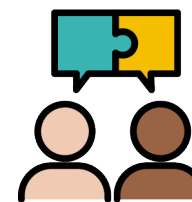
We accompany public health departments to expand and strengthen services around community needs and build resilient capacity



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## BUILD POWER AND CAPACITY WITH COMMUNITIES:

We accompany community-based organizations to build power and capacity to improve health in their communities



3


## EXPAND COMMUNITY-BASED WORKFORCE:

We invest in community health workers as an anchor component of equitable health systems



# PIH was invited to Immokalee, one of the most vulnerable communities in the U.S., by the Coalition of Immokalee Workers

 Immokalee farmworkers grow 90% of Florida's tomatoes

 43% live below the federal poverty line


 40% COVID-19 community positivity rate in June 2020



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# Moving at the speed of trust, we work with partners to deliver support to migrant farmworkers and strengthen the community health ecosystem



Partnered with Immokalee's Federally-Qualified Health Center to recruit, train, and mentor **31 Promotoras**.



Reached more than **6,800 migrant farmworkers** with COVID-19 and vaccine education, healthcare referrals, and linkages to community resources.



Launched a social support fund that distributed **\$850,000 to 800+ COVID-19 positive residents**. 99.3% reported the funds enabled them to stay home and isolate.



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**We have much more work to do, together.**

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