

Bill Gates Could End World Hunger, Instead Gives \$36 Billion To Corporate America

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37% of Bill Gates' net worth would end world hunger. Instead, he invests billions of dollars into corporations blamed for many of the same health issues the Gates Foundation seeks to cure.

The Los Angeles Times revealed [back in 2007](#) that the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has made millions of dollars each year from companies blamed for many of the same social and health problems the Foundation seeks to address.

[The LA Times investigation](#) revealed the Gates Foundation's humanitarian concerns are not reflected in how it invests its money. In the Niger Delta — where the Foundation funds programs to fight polio and measles — the Foundation has also invested more than \$400 million dollars in companies including Royal Dutch Shell, Exxon Mobil Corp, and Chevron. These oil firms have been responsible for much of the pollution many blame for respiratory problems and other afflictions among the local population.

The Gates Foundation also has investments in sixty-nine of the worst polluting companies in the US and Canada, including Dow Chemical. It holds stakes in pharmaceutical companies whose drugs cost far beyond what most AIDS patients around the world can afford. Other companies in the Foundation's portfolio have been accused of transgressions including forcing thousands of people to lose their homes; supporting child labor; and defrauding and neglecting patients in need of medical care.

With an endowment larger than [all but four](#) of the world's largest hedge funds, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation is easily one of the most powerful charities in the world. According to its website, the organization "works to help all people lead healthy, productive lives." So how do the investments of the foundation's \$36 billion investing arm, the Gates Foundation Trust, match up to its mission? We dug into the group's [recently released 2012 tax returns](#) to find out.

GATES FOUNDATION SAYS:

“[O]ur nutrition efforts focus on delivering proven interventions and developing better tools and strategies for providing pregnant women and young children with the foods and nutrients they need.”

THE FOUNDATION’S TRUST INVESTED IN:



\$2.2 billion

Includes Coca Cola and Coca Cola Femsa,
Coke's largest Latin America distributor



\$871 million



PEPSICO

\$7.8 million



\$1.4 million



\$823,000

Parent company of KFC,
Taco Bell, and Pizza Hut

Note: Investments include stock, bonds, and bank loans

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Mother Jones

The Gates Foundation did not respond to Mother Jones' requests for comment; however, its [investment policy](#) says the the trust's managers "consider other issues beyond corporate profits, including the values that drive the foundation's work."

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BILL GATES SAYS:

“As a businessman, I believe the free market fuels growth. Unfortunately, the market often fails to address the needs of the poorest.”

THE GATES FOUNDATION TRUST INVESTED IN:

Walmart  **More than \$1 billion**
Includes Walmart
and Walmart de Mexico

Note: Investments include stock

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GATES FOUNDATION SAYS:

Bill and Melinda Gates "have defined areas in which the endowment will not invest, such as companies whose profit model is centrally tied to corporate activity that they find egregious."

THE FOUNDATION'S TRUST INVESTED IN:

GEO  **\$2.2 million**
The GEO Group, Inc.
Private prison company

G4S  **\$2.4 million**
UK-based private security company and
operator of 19 juvenile detention facilities
in the United States

DynCorp  **\$2.5 million**
INTERNATIONAL
Military contractor

Note: Investments include stock and bank loans

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In its most recent annual report to investors, private prison company GEO group listed some risks to its bottom line, including “reductions in crime rates” that “could lead to reductions in arrests, convictions and sentences,” along with immigration reform and the decriminalization of drugs. One year after [Mother Jones reported](#) the foundations investment in this company, the philanthropy’s trust will not say if one of its most controversial holdings is still on its books. Military contractor DynCorp (\$2.5 million

donated by the foundation), meanwhile, has faced allegations of [fraud](#), [mismanagement](#), and even [slavery](#) from the Middle East to Eastern Europe. For Bill Gates to fund corporations such as Dyncorp, a military contractor, which financed the entire Iraq war, while **37% of his net worth could end world hunger**, is not noble, and its ridiculous to consider it charity.

GATES FOUNDATION SAYS:

"The foundation believes that climate change is a major issue facing all of us, particularly poor people in developing countries..."

THE FOUNDATION'S TRUST INVESTED IN:

	\$662 million
	\$17.8 million
	\$16.3 million
 Coal producer	\$7.7 million
	\$7.6 million
 Oil and gas company	\$6.3 million
 Electric company	\$5.6 million
 Electric company	\$5.5 million
 Engineering firm	\$4.1 million
 Texas engineering firm	\$3.6 million

 **DUKE ENERGY** **\$3.1 million**
Electric company

 **cenovus ENERGY** **\$1.6 million**
Canadian oil sands developer

 **\$887,000**
Indian coal producer

 **\$822,000**

 **\$616,000**
French oil company

 **Peabody ENERGY** **\$600,000**
Coal producer

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Polio vaccinations by the Gates Foundation cause thousands of cases of AFP in India

A large portion of the world's vaccines are given to the Third World as "charity," when the underlying conditions of economic impoverishment, poor nutrition, chemical exposures, and political unrest are never addressed. Helping the effort against polio is a noble and inspiring thing to do. In India, Bill Gates' funded polio vaccine is said to have wiped out the disease, which is considered to be a landmark achievement. But the

country now has [the world's highest rate of non-polio AFP](#) (acute flaccid paralysis) cases, which is linked entirely to his vaccinations. AFP is a condition in which a patient suffers from paralysis that results in floppy limbs due to reduced muscle tone. While AFP is symptomatic of polio, it can be caused by other diseases such as the Guillain Barre Syndrome and nerve lesions as well—the primary cause fuelling the argument that India is not really free of wild polio virus.

There is a dirty secret in the vaccine business that is very well documented: the live oral polio vaccine can actually spread polio and causes AFP. This is very well-known throughout the world, but in the U.S. mainstream media, this information is seldom, if ever, published. As usual, we need to research further past the mainstream media outlets to find out what is happening with vaccines around the world.

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Data from India on polio control over 10 years, available from the [National Polio Surveillance Project](#), has now been compiled and made available online for anyone to see. This shows that the non-polio AFP rate increases in proportion to the number of polio vaccine doses received in each area. Nationally, the non-polio AFP rate is now 12 times higher than expected. In the states of Uttar Pradesh (UP) and Bihar, which have pulse polio rounds nearly every month, the non-polio AFP rate is 25- and 35-fold higher than the international norms.

[LiveMint](#) in India reported on the polio-free myth in India, explaining how the live polio vaccine was responsible for increases in paralysis. LiveMint is the second largest business newspaper in India and has an exclusive relationship with the Wall Street Journal. So this report was from the “mainstream” media in India.

(Vidya Krishnan reported the story: [India to get polio-free status amid rise in acute flaccid paralysis cases](#))

What is clear from this report, and well documented in peer-reviewed literature, is that the term “polio-free status” is completely meaningless. The designation of a country as “polio-free” is simply a triumphant marketing cry to continue promoting polio vaccines, even in the face of overwhelming evidence that oral polio vaccines do far more harm than good.

The oral polio vaccine is banned in the United States and many other countries. The truth is that the reality is not pretty as we'd like to believe. Bill Gates, and his very charitable organization, is part of the problem, while funding exactly what is wrong with the world. From dangerous vaccinations, to funding war, to Bill Gates buying [500,000 shares of geo-engineering corporation, Monsanto](#). Time to expose him just like everyone else perpetuating the failures of our system. Because no matter how humanitarian they can appear to be, the money always tells a different story.