

MISSION STATEMENT AND DECLARED VALUES

Mission of Concern America

Concern America works to promote self-reliance among materially poor people throughout the world in a socially just and sustainable manner. We weave together the lives of caring people so that the impoverished in our world have what they need to live a decent life.

Vision of Concern America

We believe that the good hearts and good thinking of people working together transform lives. Because of this, we nurture communities throughout the world by supporting skilled volunteers in healthcare training, education, and appropriate technology to help people develop their own gifts and talents. We do this by fostering a spirit of cooperation and collaboration that is attentive to their health and well-being, their cultural wisdom, and their physical environment.

Declared Values of Concern America

We consider all of life to be sacred.

We honor a worldview that celebrates and respects the dignity of each person.

We seek the common good of all in our world community, especially those most vulnerable, by encouraging "enoughness" and the "embrace of inconvenience."

We choose to accompany, train, and live with materially poor communities to effect positive change.

We respect that indigenous peoples know the cycles of nature in ways we need to learn.

We know that building trust builds community and, thus, civil society.

We employ an approach that discovers and invites the wisdom within each person.

We believe that cooperative, collective work, inclusive of all, is a way forward.

Mindful of language, we embrace clarity and truth.

We demonstrate transparency in our business dealings and integrity in our finances.

We engage in our mission as learners.