The World Without PEPFAR

PEPFAR – the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS relief – was launched under President George W. Bush in 2003. At the time, global investment in HIV programs in developing countries was practically non-existent. US investments in PEPFAR and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria have unlocked the ability to deliver HIV programs and have fundamentally changed the course of the HIV/AIDS epidemic. These investments have saved millions of lives AND helped stabilize an unstable world.

Small Investments
Spending on global health accounts for less than ¼ of 1% of U.S. federal spending. With this funding, the United States has become a world leader in halting the worldwide HIV epidemic.

SAVING LIVES
PEPFAR and the US contributions to the Global Fund have saved 5.3 million lives and prevented 4.3 million HIV infections.

5.3M = Population of Minnesota

PROMOTING GROWTH
GDP growth was 50% higher from 2002 to 2015 in PEPFAR countries when compared to non-PEPFAR countries. US investments in the HIV response have strengthened economies and created new trading partners.

REDUCING INSTABILITY
PEPFAR’s presence has reduced political instability in Sub-Saharan Africa by 40% in recipient countries, compared to countries without PEPFAR. These investments build goodwill and contribute to a safer world.

If you don’t fund the State Department fully, then I need to buy more ammunition ultimately.
—U.S Secretary of Defense James Mattis, 2013