Country Profile

Myanmar

Overview
American Leprosy Missions works with the Ministry of Health to find and map people suffering from leprosy and lymphatic filariasis, and stop the spread of leprosy.

Projects and Partners
- AIM Initiative
  - Ministry of Health and Sports, Myanmar
- Leprosy Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (LPEP)
  - Ministry of Health and Sports, Myanmar
- International Federation of Anti-Leprosy Associations (ILEP) Liaison Office

Your Support Transforms Lives By
- Mapping leprosy, lymphatic filariasis and related disabilities in order to better target resources
- Stopping the spread of leprosy with a single dose of antibiotics
- Supporting the coordination of international anti-leprosy organizations in Myanmar

Major Objectives and Activities
- Collect and map data on leprosy, lymphatic filariasis and related disabilities to inform the development of a national plan to target cure and care to those most in need
- Protect against leprosy by giving a single dose of antibiotics to close contacts of people with leprosy
  - Train health care workers to identify leprosy, screen contacts and administer antibiotics
Increase efficiency of ILEP member organizations’ leprosy work in Myanmar

FY 2019 Budget
$49,874

Impact
1.8 million people are covered by the Leprosy Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (LPEP) project.

Date Started in Country
1906

Ko Tun Naing’s foot has a large wound from leprosy that is being treated at a rural health center in Myanmar.