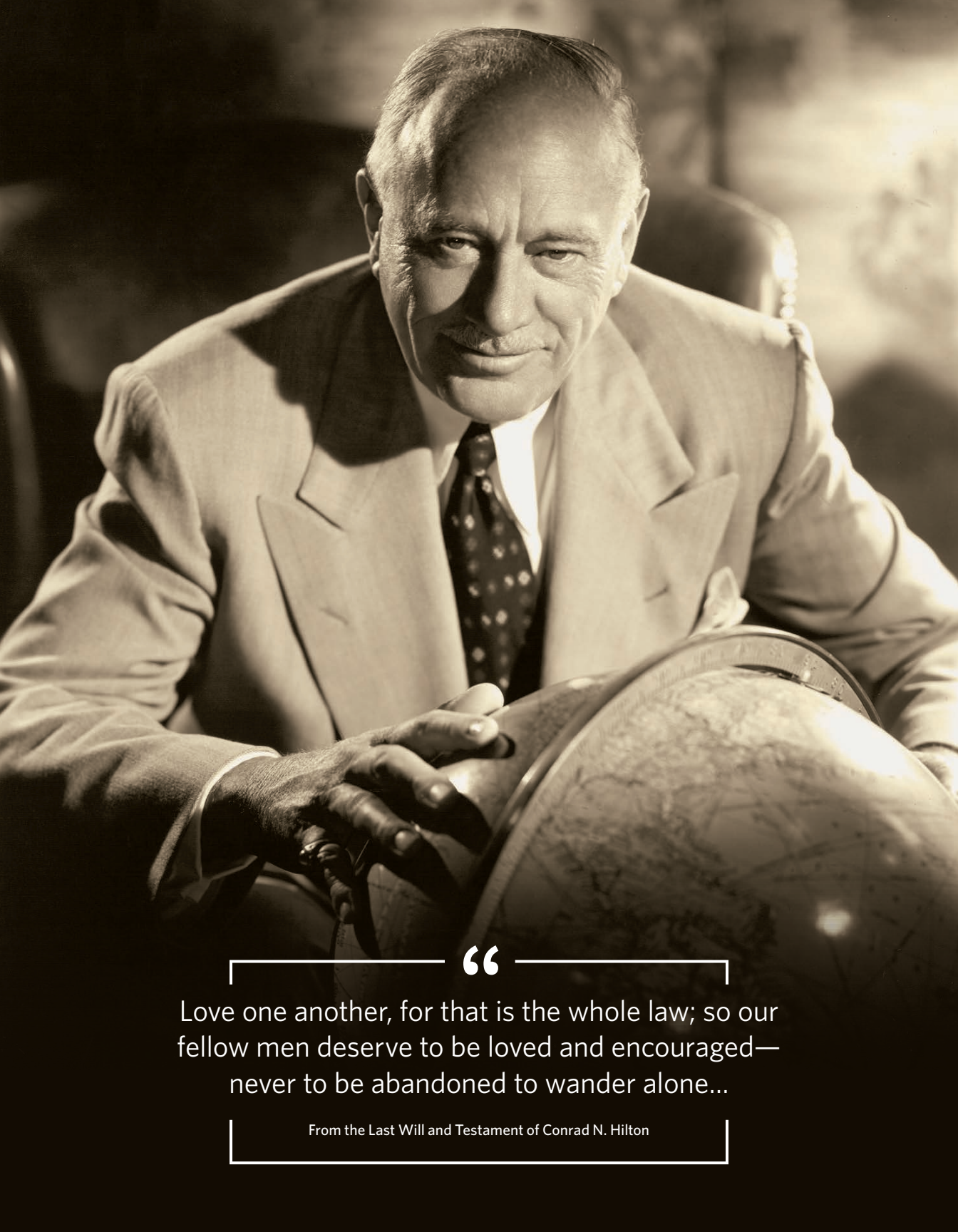
2019 CONRAD N. HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE

Cover: Layla, a child living in Kara Tepe Refugee Camp in Lesvos, Greece, learns Greek, English and mathematics at METAdrasi's non-formal education center.



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Love one another, for that is the whole law; so our fellow men deserve to be loved and encouraged—never to be abandoned to wander alone...

From the Last Will and Testament of Conrad N. Hilton

HONORING A FRONTLINE REFUGEE ORGANIZATION

Since the launch of the Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize in 1996, the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation has received thousands of nominations for the Prize, which remains the largest of its kind in the world. Each nomination tells the story of an extraordinary organization doing courageous work that is focused on the alleviation of human suffering. And each year, our independent, international Hilton Humanitarian Prize jury selects one of these organizations to receive the $2 million award.

From providing pathways out of poverty in Nairobi, Kenya, to solving key public health problems across the globe, the 24 Hilton Humanitarian Prize Laureates have been identified as organizations worthy of the world's attention. We learn so much from our Prize Laureates, as they provide us with exceptional examples of how we can better address the needs of the communities we serve.

We are delighted to award this year's Hilton Humanitarian Prize to METAdrasi – Action for Migration and Development. METAdrasi supports the reception and integration of refugees and migrants in Greece where approximately 80,000 refugees currently reside—of which over 4,100 are unaccompanied children. The selection of METAdrasi by the Prize jury calls attention to both a global humanitarian crisis and the power of local organizations to develop innovative solutions to complex problems.

METAdrasi is a remarkable example of a nimble organization that leads the charge in areas where essential services are lacking. Their belief that migrants and refugees are a valuable part of our shared future and our shared humanity embodies the spirit of the Prize and the work of the Hilton Foundation.

We are continuously grateful for and proud of our growing community of Hilton Prize Laureates, and we hope you enjoy reading about them in our Prize brochure.

CONRAD N. Hilton FOUNDATION

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President and CEO

The Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize

The Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize is presented annually to a nonprofit organization that has made extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering.

At $2 million, the Hilton Humanitarian Prize is the world's largest annual humanitarian award presented to a nonprofit organization. It honors the efforts of those who help others for the benefit and progress of humanity.

Established in 1996, the Hilton Humanitarian Prize is consistent with the guiding philosophy of the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, as directed by our founder: to "relieve the suffering, the distressed and the destitute" throughout the world, without restriction to territory, religion or ethnicity.

The Hilton Humanitarian Prize is intended to focus attention on the great need for humanitarian aid worldwide and to shine a light on those organizations providing hope for the afflicted and vulnerable among us.

A student at METAdrasi's non-formal education center in Kara Tepe Refugee Camp, in Lesvos, Greece.

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METAdrasi

Based in Greece, METAdrasi's mission is to support the reception and integration of refugees and migrants with consistency, compassion, and the flexibility to adjust to needs as they emerge.

With over 25 years of experience in the humanitarian field, Lora Pappa founded METAdrasi – Action for Migration and Development in 2009 when she encountered crucial gaps in the delivery of basic humanitarian services for refugees, migrants and unaccompanied children who had arrived in Greece. METAdrasi is rooted in the belief that refugees and migrants should be treated with the dignity and respect they deserve, empowered to exercise their rights to services, and provided protection when seeking asylum.

METAdrasi has developed a host of pioneering programs—primarily focused on interpretation, protection and education—to support the needs of unaccompanied minors and other vulnerable groups entering Greece. The organization's first key programs included professionalizing the role of interpreters who provide vital communication for refugees and migrants throughout the asylum process; and training escort teams to provide safe passage for unaccompanied children to accommodation facilities. METAdrasi has since expanded its services to include legal support, certification of victims of torture, education, integration, and a comprehensive safety net to protect unaccompanied minors.

In seeking innovative solutions for complicated problems, METAdrasi leads the charge in areas where essential services are lacking, centered on the belief that migrants and refugees are a valuable part of our shared future and our shared humanity.

metadrasi.org

A family living in Kara Tepe Refugee Camp in Lesvos, Greece. The children are learning Greek, English and mathematics at METAdrasi's non-formal education center.

Supporting the reception and integration of nearly one million refugees and migrants throughout Greece since 2009.

SHOFCO

2018 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Building urban promise from urban poverty in nine settlements throughout Kenya, providing a pathway out of poverty to over 350,000 people.

shofco.org

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2017 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Working to solve key public health problems facing the world's most vulnerable through innovative scientific research since 1960.

The Task Force for Global Health

2016 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Eliminating diseases and strengthening systems that protect and promote health.

taskforce.org

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©Landesa in Liberia: Land Rights for Sustainable Development Project (King Philanthropies), 2018

Landesa

2015 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Creating opportunities for rural women and men to improve their lives through secure rights to land.

Fountain House/ Clubhouse International

2014 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Supporting people with serious mental illness to realize their potential as coworkers, students, neighbors and friends.

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Courtesy of ECPAT International

ECPAT International

2013 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Leading a global network exclusively dedicated to ending the sexual exploitation of children.

ecpat.org

HelpAge International

2012 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Advancing a global movement for change by helping older people claim their rights, challenge discrimination and overcome poverty.

helpage.org

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Humanity & Inclusion

2011 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Ensuring people with disabilities can live independent and dignified lives.

(formerly Handicap International)

hi.org

Aravind Eye Care System

2010 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Eliminating needless blindness by providing compassionate and high-quality eye care that is affordable to all.

Courtesy of Aravind Eye Care System

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PATH

2009 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Accelerating global health equity through innovation for vaccines, drugs, diagnostics, devices and systems.

BRAC

2008 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Addressing poverty holistically by providing microloans, education, health services, job training, life skills, food security and emergency response services.

Courtesy of BRAC

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Tostan

2007 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Empowering communities to develop and achieve their vision for the future and inspire large-scale movements leading to dignity for all.

Women for Women International

2006 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Helping women survivors of war and conflict move from crisis and poverty to stability and self-sufficiency.

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Partners In Health

2005 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Bringing first-class health care to people living in poverty in developing countries.

pih.org

Heifer International

2004 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Ending hunger and poverty by investing in local farmers and their communities to build sustainable businesses delivering living incomes.

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Gwangju Trauma Center

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International Rehabilitation Council for Torture Victims

2003 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Promoting and supporting the rehabilitation of torture victims and advocating for the prevention of torture through a network of centers.

SOS Children's Villages

2002 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Supporting children without parental care, and families at risk in 136 countries worldwide.

sos-childrensvillages.org

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2001 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Striving for a world in which all dying people and those close to them have access to the care and support they need, when and wherever they need it.

Casa Alianza

2000 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Building a bridge from hopelessness to opportunity for abandoned, abused, exploited and trafficked children and youth in Latin America.

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1999 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Creating African solutions to African health care problems with African expertise.

Doctors Without Borders

1998 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Delivering emergency medical aid to people affected by armed conflict, epidemics, malnutrition, natural or man-made disasters, or exclusion from health care.

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International Rescue Committee

1997 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Responding to the world's worst humanitarian crises and helping people whose lives and livelihoods are shattered by conflict and disaster to survive, recover and gain control of their future.

Operation Smile

1996 HILTON HUMANITARIAN PRIZE LAUREATE

Improving health systems by training medical professionals and performing surgery for cleft-affected patients where it is needed most.

operationsmile.org

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2019 Hilton Humanitarian Prize Jury

The Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize Jury is comprised of one Hilton Foundation board member, one Hilton family member, and five independent jurors from around the world whose experience in the humanitarian and development sectors uniquely position them to identify exceptional organizations.

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Programs

Rooted in the life interests and last will of our founder, the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation pursues approaches that touch a diversity of people, places and needs. The Hilton Foundation identifies critical societal needs, and then proactively initiates major, long-term projects with selected partner organizations for implementation. The Foundation's current assets are approximately $2.8 billion. From its inception, the Foundation has awarded more than $1.8 billion in grants, distributing $112.5 million in the U.S. and around the world in 2018. The Foundation invests in 11 program areas. Each involves partnering with grantees, generating new knowledge, giving voice to issues and joining with others to achieve measurable impact.

PROGRAM AREAS

AVOIDABLE BLINDNESS
Preventing avoidable sight loss from cataract and blinding trachoma.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION
Revitalizing Catholic schools serving low-income families.

CATHOLIC SISTERS
Supporting Catholic sisters to become recognized as global leaders in sustainable human development.

DISASTER RELIEF AND RECOVERY
Supporting disaster preparedness, relief and long-term recovery.

FOSTER YOUTH
Supporting transition age youth in foster care toward becoming self-sufficient and thriving adults.

HOMELESSNESS
Ending chronic homelessness in Los Angeles County.

HOSPITALITY
Cultivating successful career pathways to transform the lives of opportunity youth.

MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS
Seeking a cure and improving quality of life for those who live with multiple sclerosis.

SAFE WATER
Accelerating the coverage of reliable access to safe and affordable water services.

SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION
Preventing youth substance use through access to early intervention.

YOUNG CHILDREN AFFECTED BY HIV AND AIDS
Improving early childhood development outcomes for young children affected by HIV and AIDS.

CONRAD N. HILTON

Conrad Hilton's life was grounded in a deep faith in God and country, an intrinsic belief in hard work and the ability to "dream big." He founded Hilton Hotels—the largest and most profitable hotel empire of his era—and believed in the potential of his hotels to foster understanding among peoples of the world.

His concern for the disadvantaged was genuine and was expressed throughout his lifetime. Upon his death, Conrad Hilton left virtually his entire estate to the Foundation to establish a perpetual legacy of global humanitarianism. His children and their descendants have carried on the Hilton philanthropic legacy.

BARRON HILTON

Barron Hilton, middle son of Conrad Hilton, played a guiding role on the Foundation's board of directors from 1950 - 2014. Following a successful career at the helm of Hilton Hotels Corporation, he served as chairman of the Foundation from 2007 - 2012. He remained chairman emeritus of the Foundation until his passing in September 2019.

Over the years, Barron Hilton contributed a great deal of his wealth to the work of the Foundation, and furthered the legacy of altruism started by Conrad Hilton. Like his father, Barron Hilton committed his personal fortune to the humanitarian work of the Foundation. His leadership and generous financial contributions will enable the Foundation to significantly increase our impact.

Steven M. Hilton and Barron Hilton in front of a portrait of Conrad Hilton.

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