

Gretchen and Warren Berggren

World-recognized authorities on Public Health issues in the developing world, Gretchen and Warren became Partners in Life during medical training and Partners in Service since. Beginning in newly independent Belgian Congo and continuing for many years in Haiti, their work focused on reducing the mortality of children under five. Their success became a model for such programs around the world. Teachers and researchers, Paul Farmer has said of them: "Humble service, data driven... Gretchen and Warren remind us that you can care about the world and still be good scholars. They have never lost their commitment to serving the poor."

It is my humble honor to present this Governor's Discretionary Award to Gretchen and Warren Berggren.