BIO—Sara Hildebrand, Project Coordinator, Love My Neighbour

Sara Hildebrand is the founder and executive director of Millennium Kids, a youth movement creating opportunities for children and youth to help Canada keep our United Nations Sustainable Development Goals promise by 2030. She is passionate about encouraging youth to use their voices for justice and the common good in the public sphere.

Sara received an Honours Bachelor in Philosophy from McMaster University and a Juris Doctor from the University of Toronto Law School. She was called to the Ontario bar in 2000. She was previously Crown Counsel in the Criminal Law Policy Branch for the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General.

In 2009, profoundly inspired by the United Nations' Millennium Development Goals to reduce global poverty, inequality and care for the planet, Sara was convinced Canadian youth needed to play an important role. She began developing creative projects for children and youth to express their powerful support of the MDGs (later replaced by the Sustainable Development Goals 2016-2030) and governments keeping promises. Her collaborative efforts resulted in many interfaith partnerships.

She was the national coordinator for the Interfaith Millennium Development Goals Events initiative leading up to the 2010 G8 Summit in Canada. This initiative encouraged diverse faith communities of all ages to gather together with their Members of Parliament in ridings across Canada to express the urgency of meeting the MDGs by 2015.

Sustainable Development Goal number three seeks to ensure healthy lives and target number 3.8 promises every signatory country, including Canada, will work toward achieving access to safe, effective, quality and affordable vaccines for all. It is this commitment that led Sara to create the Love My Neighbour project in partnership with UNICEF Canada and diverse faith communities to invite every Canadian to gift forward one COVID vaccine for a global neighbour in poor regions around the world.

Sara was honoured as one of <u>100 Fantastic Canadian Christian Women Leaders for</u> <u>2014</u>. Sara lives in Toronto with her husband and four children.