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David Ray serves as VP for Policy & Advocacy for CARE USA and Managing Director of CARE Action Now. He has 25 years of advocacy, constituency building and campaigning experience. Before returning to CARE in January 2012 he served as Chief Strategy and Public Policy Officer for Points of Light. In his prior 19 years with CARE, he served in a variety of roles including as Director of Global Advocacy, leading a team of regional advocacy advisors around the world; Senior Assistant to the President for CARE International, working with the CI Secretariat to develop the international confederation and new members organizations in countries such as Thailand, Brazil and Peru; Principal Executive for Marketing and Communications at CARE Australia, and Vice President of the CARE Foundation. He also played a leadership role in creating the ONE Campaign and served as the Chair of its Management Committee.

After graduating from college, Ray served as a volunteer in Haiti and the Dominican Republic. He has worked and traveled extensively throughout Latin America, Asia, Africa and Europe.

Ray has also served as an advisor to or board member of a number of non-profit organizations. He currently serves on the U.S. Board of Directors for the Global Poverty Project and the Executive Committee of the Modernizing Foreign Assistance Network.

Ray earned a Masters Certificate in International Development from the University of Pennsylvania, a Master of Arts in Religion from Western Kentucky University and a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy from Eastern University.

Founded in 1945 with the creation of the CARE Package, CARE is a leading humanitarian organization fighting global poverty. CARE has more than six decades of experience delivering emergency aid during times of crisis. Our emergency responses focus on the needs of the most vulnerable populations, particularly girls and women. Last year CARE worked in 87 countries and reached 82 million people around the world.