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**AS ROYAL FAMILY GROWS, A DIFFERENT YOUNG COUPLE CHOOSES A SMALLER FAMILY AND GIVES THOUSANDS TO HELP KIDS IN NEED**

*Having Kids Featured Family Mickey and Tricia Bhotiwihok choose a new approach to family planning and give \$3,000 to Project Healthy Children*

On the heels of announcements that Prince William and Kate Middleton are having [a third child](#), another couple – Los Angelinos Mickey and Tricia Bhotiwihok – are setting a different example. Instead of putting money into their children, they are giving thousands to help other children.

Like Having Kids' other [Featured Families](#), Mickey and Tricia chose a smaller family. That decision also allows Mickey and Tricia to act on their altruistic natures and help other families.

To show just how powerful this approach to family planning is, last week Having Kids gave Mickey and Tricia a big choice: we sent them three thousand dollars. They could choose to apply this money to their family. Or they could donate the money.

**Mickey and Tricia chose to donate all three thousand dollars to [Project Healthy Children](#), a [Givewell.org](#) standout charity working on fortifying food for kids in the developed world.**

Having Kids Executive Director Anne Green is impressed. "Mickey and Tricia are taking real action to make a better future for their kids. They know if they and couples like them choose to have larger families, the world their children will inhabit will be more crowded, polluted, and dangerous. That's not what we want for our kids."

Having Kids Director of Operations Matt Ball notes, "The best way to ensure everyone's kids live in a [cleaner and safer world](#) is to choose a smaller family and help other families do better too."

**Mickey and Tricia's Statement**

"Before discovering [Having Kids' Fair Start Model](#), we did not know there were other ways to approach family planning. Instead, we relied on generational, social, and cultural norms passed down to us. After considerable thought, we adopted the Fair Start Model, because it just made sense. We are a family of four in which both parents work. Like all parents, we want the best for our children. We are also thinking of the big picture. The Fair Start Model provides an indispensable tool for families and children. Participation in the Fair Start Model demonstrates our commitment to a brighter world for all children."

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