

Works with rural and impoverished communities in Honduras as they seek to improve health and access to health care.

This Is How You've Helped in Honduras

Thanks to you--our donors and volunteers--Missoula Medical Aid is supporting:

- a daily nutrition program for 100+ school children;
- a dental and eye clinic that sees thousands of patients each year;
- various programs that help dozens of subsistence-farm families and rural entrepreneurs;
- four nursing school scholarships for ambitious students who don't have enough money to pay tuition.

We're also planning on sending four more volunteer medical teams to Honduras in the next eight months.

What MMA does is find Honduran partners working in health care, and in community health and development projects that are in accord with our mission.

Then we do everything we can to amplify what they can offer.

So your donations leverage not only many hundreds of <u>MMA</u> volunteer hours, but also many thousands of dollars worth of our Honduran partners' expertise, and infrastructure.

Your generosity helps our volunteers and our partners do what they do--and do more of it.

Thanks to you--our donors and volunteers--the people in the communities where we work are healthier and more prosperous.

-David Cates, Executive Director, Missoula Medical Aid



PRODIM-BETHEL, Siguatepeque, Honduras

We partner with a private school in Siguatepeque that feeds more than 100 students from poor families for just \$12 a month per child. The school provides the teachers, the space, the cooks, and the medical care for these kids. Your donations buy the food.



HELPING COMMUNITIES PROSPER

Sometimes it just starts with a grant to a community group for a corn mill. The



SPECIALISTS IN THE HOSPITAL

For twenty-two years, MMA has sent orthopedic teams to work in the La Esperanza public hospital. Our long-time volunteers--orthopedists, anesthesiologists, PA's, circulating nurses and surgical technicians-have formed strong working ties with the hospital staff, and with the thousand of people who have been treated to these often life-changing surgeries.

We will be sending an orthopedic team in April.

group gets business training from the county, and on-going training and support from Save the Children-Honduras. With money earned from the mill, the group might buy seed potatoes. The next year, MMA might help with fertilizer costs, or a small pump for irrigation. After a few years running the corn mill, and of growing and selling potatoes or other crops, the groups are managing bank accounts big enough to make small loans, or help members with emergency health care costs.

We have helped dozens of groups start, and grow, these kinds of small businesses.



THE LA ESPERANZA LIONS CLUB
DENTAL AND EYE CLINICS

In this three-way partnership, Missoula Medical Aid pays the part-time salary of a Honduran dentist and optometrist, the government of Honduras pays for a dental intern, and the La Esperanza Lions Club manages and supplies a clinic that serves thousands of lowincome patients every year.



RURAL GENERAL HEALTH BRIGADES

Our rural clinics, staffed by MMA medical volunteers, working closely with Honduran doctors and dentists,



MAKING MEDICINES MORE
AVAILABLE IN RURAL COMMUNITIES

Our rural medical teams buy thousands of dollars of medicine and supplies to use in our day-clinics, and leave much of it behind with our Honduran partners, who manage and operate rural health centers 365 days a year.

can see as many as a 800 patients in a week. Our volunteers contribute their time and talents, and supply medicine and equipment, while rural public health staff, and Save the Children, provide crucial local insight, clinical and team logistics, and ensure follow-up care for our sickest patients.

We are sending a general team for two weeks in February. And another team in April, and another in September.



LET'S PLAY!

The "Legendary" Cabrera Boys, whose extended family near Chiligatoro benefited from MMA grants for vegetable seeds, an irrigation system, and a corn mill...

That was years ago -- 2010 perhaps? -- so honestly, we just like this picture. A lot.



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OUR 26TH ANNUAL SALSA BALL WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

Thank you to everyone who came to the party, who bid, and who danced to celebrate 26 years of work. And thank you to everyone who stayed home and donated anyway. You've made the 27th year possible!



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Bakeries!

We've helped various groups of women start bakeries and other small businesses. The women receive business training from the local government, and small grants from Missoula Medical Aid.

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