



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.

Also, since last fall, we've sent *three General Medical teams* to work with our Honduran partners in remote mountain communities of Intibucá.

And in April we sent *an Orthopedic team* that did life-changing hand surgeries in the La Esperanza public hospital.

What [MMA](#) does is find Honduran partners working in health care, and in community health and development projects.

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

So your donations leverage not only many hundreds of [MMA](#)

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



SPECIALISTS IN THE HOSPITAL

Since February of 2004, 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 hundreds of people who have received crucial treatments and surgeries.

Sometimes it just starts with a grant to a community group for a corn mill. The 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 low-income patients every year.



RURAL GENERAL HEALTH BRIGADES

Our rural clinics, staffed by MMA



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.



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medical volunteers, working closely with Honduran doctors and dentists, 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 sent general medical Team 69 for two weeks in February, Team 70 for a week in April, and are planning on sending Team 71 in September.



GENERAL MEDICAL TEAM 69 -- La Esperanza, February 20205

Left to right, Dana Richards, PA, Paula Colledge, PA, Sue Mann, RN, David Cates, MMA exec. director, Dr. Patricia Fowlie, and Isabel Hammond, interpreter.

Not pictured are MMA Honduran Operations manager, Doris Martinez,

Dr. Jorge Valle

**and local interpreters Gabriela Pineda,
and Mireya Ruíz.**

Executive Director: David Cates

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**ORTHOPEDIC TEAM 70 -- La
Esperanza, April 2025**

**Front row, left to right: Dr. Cristi
Sullivan, Dmitria Smith, RN, April
Manzer, Surg. Tech, Doris Martinez,
MMA Staff. Back row, Dr. Andy
Puckett, Ernesto Sabillón, interpreter,
and Brandon Lane, PA.**



**RURAL GENERAL
TEAM 70 -- La
Esperanza, April, 2025**

Despite taking hundreds of photos, we did not get a group picture of all of our Team 70 Rural Medical volunteers. So we'll settle for this cool picture taken at a pickup soccer game outside one of our clinics last October.

April Volunteers were:
Dr. Janneke Volkert, Dr. Amy Light, Dr. Sharon Drake, and Sue Mann, RN. Local interpreters were Mireya Ruíz, Gabriela Pineda, Soñia Medina, and Karen Mesa.



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**The Women of Santa
Maria de Dulce Nombre,
Togopala, Honduras**

This group of eight women received some business training from their county government, and have been working together for six years. They rent land, grow and sell potatoes, and a few years ago they started a corn milling business.

Missoula Medical Aid helped them with a grant for their shed roof, and the costs of electrical installation to power their mill.

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