



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

71 Volunteer Medical Teams! . . AND MORE! (And the [Salsa Ball](#) on Nov. 8th!)

Thanks to you--our donors and volunteers, [Missoula Medical Aid](#) is supporting:

- a daily nutrition program for 90+ 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 four *General Medical teams* to work with our Honduran partners in mountain communities of Intibucá, and one *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](#)

PS-- Oh yes, and come to the 27th Annual [LEGENDARY Salsa Ball!](#) **NOVEMBER 8TH, AT THE ZACC, 7-11 PM.**



FOLLOW-UP CARE FOR PATIENTS --
Josue Alberto Vazquez, cancer survivor

When Josue was 2-years-old he was diagnosed with a cancer growing around his spine. He and his mother spent the next two years traveling back and forth four hours each way to a hospital in Tegucigalpa for treatment. Missoula Medical Aid paid for his transportation and lodging in the capital. He's been cancer free for four years.

Josue is one of dozens of patients Missoula Medical Aid helps with



NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS -- Melisa Yojana Lorenzo Manueles, LPN

Melisa received one of four annual Missoula Medical Aid nursing scholarships. She's doing her year of social service at the Semane Health Center. She wants to continue working in the area, save her money, and go back to school for her RN.

ongoing treatment for serious and chronic illness.



HELPING COMMUNITIES PROSPER

Mujeres Emprendedoras para un Futuro Mejor (Women Entrepreneurs for a Better Future) La Rinconada, Monquecagua, Intibucá

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 medical volunteers, working closely with Honduran doctors and dentists, can see as many as a 800 patients in a



27th Annual LEGENDARY Salsa Ball! November 8, 7 pm, at the ZACC

It's a dance, it's a party, it's a celebration! Come one, come all, and help us keep doing the work. November 8, 7 - 11 pm, at the Zootown Arts Community Center in Missoula! [Get tickets here!](#)



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week. Our volunteers contribute their time and talents, and supply medicine and equipment, while Honduran 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.



GENERAL MEDICAL TEAM 71 -- La Esperanza, September, 2025

Left to right, MMA Honduran Operations Manager Doris Martinez, and volunteers Sue Mann, RN, Dr. Gregg Singer, Dr. Amy Light, Sara Heineman, NP, Taylor Henricksen, CNA, and Misty Erickson, RN

Not pictured are local interpreters Gabriela Pineda, Mireya Ruíz, Sonia Medina, and Alejandra Sabillion. This team worked closely with various Honduran doctors, nurses, dentists, an optometric technician, and various support staff to see 745 patients in 5 days.

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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.



HELPING FARMERS PROSPER -- **Cristina Guevara, Estacones** **Arriba, Moropocay, Valle**

Cristina and her husband are one of hundreds of families that receive a Missoula Medical Aid grant to help them get a crop in the ground. Here she is proudly showing us her watermelon harvest.



THE WOMEN OF SANTA MARIA **DE DULCE NOMBRE**



NUTRITION PROGRAM -- PRODIM-BETHEL, Siguatepeque, Honduras

We partner with a school in Siguatepeque that feeds a daily, nutritious meal to almost a hundred children, many of them from poor families.

PRODIM provides the space, the cooks, and the medical care for these kids. Your donations buy the food.

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 the grant for their shed roof, and the costs of electrical installation to power their mill.



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