



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

Team 68, and the Legendary Salsa Ball!

This October, volunteers from Missoula Medical Aid Team 68 set up general medical clinics with our Honduran colleagues in ten rural communities in the mountains around La Esperanza, Honduras.

Our clinics attend more than 120 patients a day -- many of whom have walked miles, with their children, to be seen. And because logistics often limit what our clinics can offer, we leave medicine and funds with our Honduran partners to cover follow-up care for our most ill patients.

And our health and development work goes well beyond the walls of our clinics. (See some stories below.)

So come celebrate with us at the 26th Annual Legendary Salsa Ball and Auction, November 23rd, at the ZACC in Missoula. [Get your tickets here.](#)

Your donations leverage not only *many hundreds of MMA volunteer hours, but many thousands of dollars worth of our Honduran partners' expertise, and infrastructure.*

If you can't come to the party, [click here](#) to donate anyway. Your generosity helps our volunteers and our partners do what they do -- and do more of it.

–David Cates, Executive Director, [Missoula Medical Aid](#)



Looking for tickets to the
Legendary Missoula Medical Aid
Salsa Ball?

November 23, at the ZACC in
Missoula. [Click here](#)



**PRODIM-BETHEL, nutrition
project**

We partner with a private pre-
school and after-school drop-in
center in Siguatepeque that helps
feed almost a hundred students
from poor families for just \$12.00
a month per child. The school
provides the teachers, the space,



**Crowd at the health fair
outside our October 16th
clinic, El Rodeo, Intibucá.**

**This community of 592 residents
is more than 7,000 feet above sea
level.**

**the cooks, and the medical care
for these kids. Your donations
buy food.**

The Legendary
Missoula Medical Aid
Salsa Ball
and 26th Annual Fundraiser



live music with *Salsa Loca*

and *Salsa Lessons*

Nov . 23 7-11 pm

Zootown Arts Community Center in Missoula

Drinks available for purchase

Tickets \$50 Students \$25
visit missoulamedicalaid.org

**26th Annual Legendary Missoula
Medical Aid Salsa Ball, 7 pm,
November 23rd at the ZACC.
(Salsa lessons start at 6:30 p.m!)**
[Click here for tickets.](#)



**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.**



ALEXA NINEL GARCÍA, 19-years-old, nursing student, Llano de la Virgen

Alexa is one of four students who receive MMA nursing scholarships each year. She's in her second year training, doing her practicum at the La Esperanza hospital. Her mom is on the cleaning crew at a local health center, and her dad works reception at the Hotel Mina. She tells us she loves working at the hospital, and that nursing there has been her dream.



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RURAL GENERAL BRIGADE, La Esperanza -- Team 68, October 2024

Despite taking hundreds of photos, we did not get a group picture of all of our Team 68 medical volunteers. So we'll settle for this cool one taken at a pickup soccer game outside one of our clinics.

Missoula Medical Aid Team 68 consisted of Dr. Sharon Drake, Dr. Amy Light, Sam Millett, PA, and Sue Mann, RN. Interpreters were Mireya and Astrid Ruíz, Gabriela Pineda, and Missoula Medical Aid staff, David Cates and Doris Martinez.

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SANTA MARÍA DE DULCE NOMBRE, Togopala

This group of eight women received some business training from their county government, and have been working together for five years. They rent land, grow and sell potatoes, and recently started a corn milling business. Missoula Medical Aid helped them with a grant for their mill shed roof, and electrical installation.



THE BUENA FE GROUP, Cofradía

**This group of 31
farmers manages and**



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...and more tomatoes.

**Some of their tomato
parcels produce up to**

maintains an irrigation system that has turned a rocky mountainside into a garden for beans, corn, taro, plantains, green peppers, tomatoes....

1000 pounds of tomatoes a week. Missoula Medical Aid helped them with, among other things, fertilizers, and parts for their irrigation system.

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