









**MISSION**: Restoring hope and providing a brighter future to those whose lives are burdened by cleft lip, cleft palate and other deformities.

**WE DO THIS BY**: Working with local partner organizations to offer children born with cleft lip and cleft palate much-needed surgical and dental care during medical missions.

**OUR CARE IS**: Provided at no cost to the families; Includes surgical and dental care; Allows children to lead productive lives in their community and culture.

WHO PROVIDES THIS CARE: Volunteers donate their time and expertise and fund their travel and lodgings. We have partners from the United States, Norway, Philippines, Belgium, Canada, Hong Kong, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, and the United Kingdom.

We are only successful because of our incredible volunteers, including surgeons, anesthesiologists, surgical techs, photographers, nurses, instrument cleaners, translators, and admin both abroad and in-country.

#### Since last June we have successfully conducted three Medical Missions, bringing many smiles to children including:



### OCTOBER 2022: SAN SALVADOR, EL SALVADOR

28 patients: six cleft lips, 11 cleft palates, 11 fistulas, two rhinoplasties, 2 frenectomies, and 4 dental extractions.



## JANUARY 2023: KALIBO, PHILIPPINES

75 patients: 29 cleft lips, 38 cleft palates, 2 rhinoplasties, 1 frenectomy, and 2 keloid excisions.



# MAY 2023: SANTO DOMINGO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

43 patients: 22 cleft lips, 23 cleft palates, 2 fistulas, 3 vomer flaps, 1 rhinoplasty.

## **UPCOMING MEDICAL MISSIONS**









**Philippines** 

El Salvador

Dominican Republic

Ecuador

"These trips always come with all of the emotions. Excitement. Dread (long flights, jet lag, empty bank account.) Extreme gratitude. Exhaustion. Joy. Happiness. Sadness (missing my kids and home. Missing a full-sized napkin!) Anxiety. Physical pain (swollen body, bad posture from working long hours in an awkward position.) Pride. Fear (things not going as planned.) We all make these trips look amazing (they are!) But they're not easy. They are actually really hard. They are most definitely not for everyone. At the end of the day; for me, what it comes down to is LOVE. I keep doing this and keep coming back because of LOVE."

— Andrea Mogensen, Medical Mission volunteer.





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## **OUR FINANCIALS**

# Fiscal Year Ending in 3/31/2023

Income Donations Missioner Contributions	\$125,963 \$37,242
Fundraiser Investment Loss/Other Income Total Income	\$20,616 (\$13,796) \$170,025
Expenses Mission Administrative Financial	\$158,300 10,300 \$8,590

Total Expenses	\$177,190
Net Loss *See cash/investments/assets below	(\$7,165)
Total Cash	\$99,430
Investments	\$99,487
Total Assets	\$228,833

\$898

\$227,935

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# **HELP US GIVE THE GIFT OF SMILES**

- \$500 College Tuition/Expenses for One Year for an Education Fund Recipient
- **\$250** A Cleft Lip or Cleft Palate Surgery for One Child
- \$150 One Education Fund Scholarship (one school year: tuition, uniforms, books, supplies, transportation)
- **\$100** Medications for One Surgery
- \$50 A Take-Home Bag for One Patient
- **\$25** Transportation for Patients and Their Families to and From the Hospital



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