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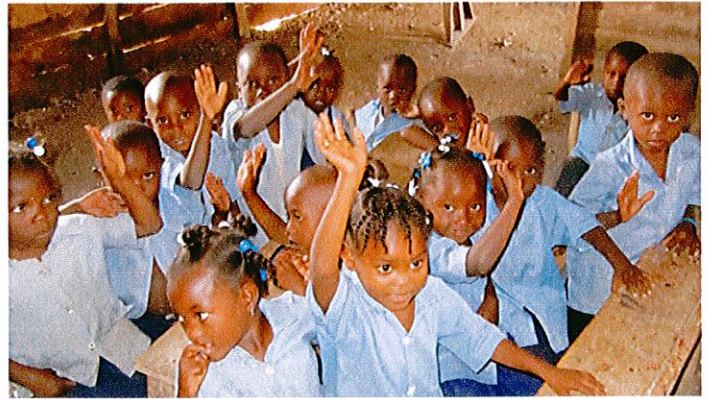
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HAITIANS HELPED WITH SHIPMENTS

"We are incredibly grateful for World Medical Relief's support and long standing partnership" says Erin Barton-Chery, Haiti's country director of Free the Children.

This Canadian charity was founded in 1995 by 12-year-old Craig Kielburger when he gathered 11 school friends to begin fighting child labor. As a teenager Craig discovered World Medical Relief and George Samson, World Medical Relief's CEO, remembers meeting the boy when he visited World Medical Relief accompanied by his parents.



Today, Free The Children is the world's largest network of children helping children through education, with more than one million young people involved in its programs in 45 countries.

The agency aims to improve the lives of children based on four keys areas of intervention: education, water and sanitation, alternative income like micro business development and health.

Health is important because children will not attend school when they are sick and Free the Children recognizes the link between helping disadvantaged people meet their basic health needs and building strong communities. World Medical Relief partners with Free the Children to help with their health projects.

Containers filled with linens, diapers, medical supplies and equipment packed by World Medical Relief's volunteers find their way to Haiti where Free the Children channels these resources to the places where they are needed most.

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October 13
59th anniversary gala

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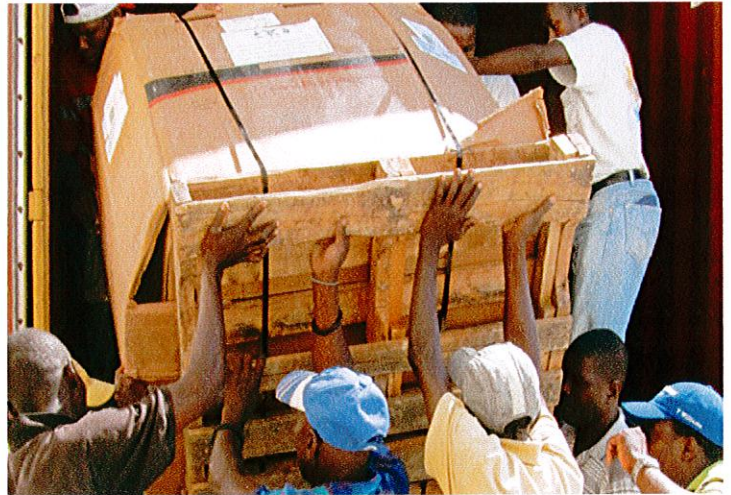
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Erin Barton-Chery explains that the programs serve the poorest of the poor and that the medical supplies and equipment often go to free clinics in the rural areas. The last shipment helped to outfit a team of Haitian nurses running a mobile clinic.

Before receiving this assistance the nurses paid all the cost associated with the mobile clinic out of their own pockets and had very little to work with. Now they have a large tarp to set up a temporary shelter, a wheel chair and small field clinic supplies. Bigger equipment and more supplies were divided among 7 health centers.

Linen, needles and diapers went to an orphanage in Port-au-Prince with a high number of severely handicapped children. The orphanage does not have the money to buy diapers which are very expensive in Haiti nor do they have enough linens for the children who spend most of their time in bed. One can only imagine the conditions these children live in.



World Medical Relief supplies are unloaded in Haiti.

Wheel chairs, walkers and orthopedics braces provide the disabled children with more mobility allowing them to get out of bed more often. All the supplies and equipment delivered to this orphanage improved the quality of life for these unfortunate young people.

World Medical Relief together with Free the Children delivered 5 forty foot containers with the valuable goods to Haiti since the earthquake in 2010.



Half of Haiti's residents live on less than \$1 US a day.

Help World Medical Relief with its continued medical relief to Haiti!

Please send a donation using the enclosed envelope.



Photos courtesy Free the Children

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MEDICAL SOCIETY BOOST LOCAL PROGRAMS

The Michigan State Medical Society (MSMS) Foundation's Board of Trustees awarded World Medical Relief's "Community Connect" Project \$5,000. The project aims to reach more people that are in need of prescription medications, durable medical equipment and medical supplies but cannot afford to get these items from the regular suppliers and pharmacies.

The grant is used to increase World Medical Relief's outreach into the community and educate more emergency room employees and discharge planners about the local services offered by World Medical Relief.

A new brochure about the local programs was designed and printed. A small grant from the

Allegra FootPrintFund paid for the design costs. Students from the American Marketing Association Chapter at the University of Michigan-Dearborn provided crucial assistance in contacting the hospitals.

The MSMS Foundation is a nonprofit charitable organization whose purpose is to support better health across Michigan through grants to non-profit health projects throughout the state.



CLOSED SCHOOL BENEFITS NIGERIAN CHILDREN



World Medical Relief's Derryl Hardy oversees the loading

World Medical Relief was looking for school desks and chairs to fulfill a request from Nigeria and found out by accident about Howell's Latson Elementary School closing. The furniture changed hands and is now on its way to schools in desperate needs of furniture for its students.

Sue Hordos, Howell Schools Financial Assistant who coordinated the transfer was very happy that the furniture would continue to be useful. She said that her own children went to Latson and that she was sad to see it closed.

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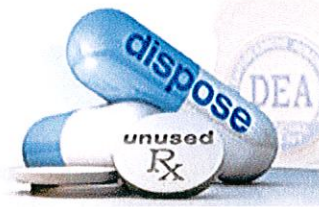


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Got Drugs?



World Medical Relief welcomes donations of in-date (not expired) drugs that are sealed or in blister packs. The medications can be used in the pharmacy programs. Controlled substances are not accepted.

Yellow Jug Old Drugs

Of course we'd rather not accept expired drugs but in case this happens World Medical Relief enrolled in the Yellow Jug Old Drugs program.

Yellow Jug Old Drugs collects and properly disposes of unwanted/unused non-controlled drugs in a safe and approved manner preventing environmental pollution. World Medical Relief is grateful for the help of volunteer Sue Wabeke who connected World Medical Relief with this possibility to safely dispose of the drugs.

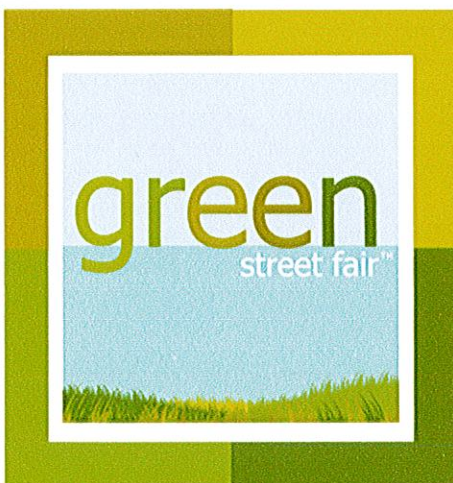
Started by the Great Lakes Clean Water Organization the Yellow Jug program currently has 220 member pharmacies. In the last quarter of 2011 7,041 lbs. of drugs were collected.

National Drug Take Back Day

The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) has scheduled another National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day which will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2012, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

To find a site near you go to this website:
www.deaaversion.usdoj.gov/drug_disposal

**The 4th National Prescription
Drug Take Back Day
Saturday, April 28, 2012
10:00 am - 2:00 pm**



The world is going green. You coming?

THE WORLD IS GOING GREEN. ARE YOU COMING?

On May 4, 5, and 6 World Medical Relief will have a booth at the Green Street Fair in downtown Plymouth, Michigan. Green Street Fair, Inc. was founded to help educate and inform people of all ages about the benefits of green, organic, and eco-friendly products and services. Consumers who attend the Green Street Fair will be encouraged to learn the advantages of taking strides, large or small, towards living a healthier and greener life.

World Medical Relief will inform the visitors about our programs and how people can donate their durable medical equipment and supplies. We also hope to recruit more volunteers. Want to help and volunteer in the booth? Contact Carolyn Racklyeft, volunteer coordinator at 313-866-5333 ext. 222 or volunteer@worldmedicalrelief.org

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LEAVING YOUR LEGACY

You are giving your time and money because you believe in the mission of World Medical Relief. Your support is vital for our mission to relieve human suffering. Times are very tough for charities these days with individual donors often the most steady source of funding.

Perhaps you would like to leave a legacy beyond these gifts of time and money by planning gifts.

What are planned gifts? How do you plan a gift?

There are several types of planned gifts depending on your means and what goals that you wish to accomplish. However there are two types of gifts that are the primarily used by donors to charities. They are bequests and charitable annuities.

A gift through a bequest involves remembering the charity in your will or trust. But it can include designating the charity as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy, IRA's or a retirement plan. It could also include gifting stocks and/or real estate. These are relatively straightforward and direct ways of creating a legacy by sustaining your favorite charity after your death. Because it takes place after your passing it will not have any effect on your finances during your lifetime.

A charitable gift annuity allows you to make a

gift to the charity in return for the right to receive an income for the rest of your life. The income is determined by the amount of your gift and the actuarial tables.

The tables most used are those published by the American Council on Gift Annuities. This type of arrangement can give you an immediate charitable income tax deduction and can help avoid capital gains tax on appreciated property used to fund your gift, possibly increased income for life and create a legacy for you by supporting your charity.

I have children and relatives. Shouldn't I leave my entire estate to them?

This is perhaps the number one cause for reluctance when making a bequest. The truth is that, depending on the current tax laws, leaving a gift to charity in your will may reduce the estate tax burden on your heirs significantly. You should consult with a financial advisor or attorney to learn how giving may actually benefit your family after you're gone.

We would like to talk with you and listen to your vision on how we can work together to sustain World Medical Relief's future .

Feel free to contact Josephine Jabara, Director of Development at 313-866-5333 ext. 243 or by e-mail: jjabara@worldmedicalrelief.org



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ANGEL DONOR HELPS WITH THIRD FLOOR



World Medical Relief supporter and humanitarian Nidhal Garmo made a special donation to World Medical Relief earmarked for the medical supply sorting center on the third floor. Recognizing the need for a staff person on that floor she generously gave the money needed to hire such person for a year.

Ms. Garmo created Detroit's first multi-lingual pharmacy, where in-store business and home deliveries are conducted in English, Arabic, Chaldean, and Russian. Her humanitarian work focuses on Iraq and she personally delivered six containers of medicine and medical supplies to doctors, clinics, and hospitals in Iraq and Kurdistan to treat sick and wounded children and refugees. Her experience in delivering aid to Iraq earned her the title of World Medical Relief's Ambassador of Health to Iraq. In this capacity she is overseeing all shipments to Iraq ensuring a smooth distribution to clinics around the country.

McGregor Fund continues support

In December 2011 the Board of Trustees of the McGregor Fund decided to give a grant of \$50,000 to World Medical Relief's local Affordable Prescription Program. With this grant, which is the largest foundation grant to the program, McGregor Fund creates access to prescription medication for low-income uninsured people residing primarily in the City of Detroit.

Each year the Affordable Prescription Program saves countless lives by providing people with chronic illness the opportunity to manage this illness, preventing unnecessary emergency room visits, early disability and death.

In 2011 the program dispensed generic and brand name drugs valued over 3.5 million dollars.



Volunteer Susan Nuss packing liquids
Photo: Howard Mitchell

**World Medical Relief needs you!
Come and volunteer on weekdays
and/or Saturdays!
Call Carolyn Racklyeft, volunteer
coordinator: 313-866-5333 ext. 222
to schedule your volunteer day.**

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HOMELESS CHILDREN HELPED BY FORD AND TY CO.

From the more than 100,000 homeless people in Michigan over half are families with young children.

A grant from Ford Motor Company paid for the materials to assemble 1,000 hygiene kits which consist of a comb, soap, wash cloth, towel, deodorant, toothpaste and tooth brush.

Included in the hygiene kits are Pluffies (for infants), Beany Babies and Beany Bandz. This donation from Ty Inc. was made possible by Lisa Siljanovski, who is a Regional Sales Manager of Ty Inc.



Photo: Howard Mitchell

Lisa said: "I am so glad that Ty was able to be part of such a wonderful project and oh, when I think of how happy it will make the children! There is so much emotion in a little piece of plush most take for granted."

The little plush creatures certainly motivated the Ford volunteers putting the hygiene kits together. They broke all records and assembled 1,000 kits in less than two hours.

AGREEMENT SIGNED WITH HELPING HAND



An agreement was signed with the Helping Hand for Relief and Development to ship 20 containers to countries in Africa and Asia. Helping Hand is a global humanitarian relief and development organization responding to human suffering in emergency and disastrous situations anywhere all over the world regardless race, gender, ethnicity, class, location, religion, color, cultural diversity and social background; with a special focus on countries with massive poverty.

In 2011, with the help of World Medical Relief, Helping Hand was very instrumental in relieving human suffering in the Horn of Africa where millions are displaced as a result of ongoing drought.

Nuzhat U. Jawed, Director & George V. Samson, Pres/CEO signing agreement

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Tour World Medical Relief

Dates:

Monday **April 30**

Monday **May 21**

Monday **June 25**

At 11 a.m.

Please register at 313-866-5333 ext. 243

Or by e-mail: tour@worldmedicalrelief.org

Mondays do not work for you? Call us!

VOLUNTEERING?

2012 Volunteer Saturdays

April 21 & 28

May 5, 12, & 19

(Note change due to Memorial Day)

June 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

Call (313) 866-5333 ext. 222
to reserve your Saturday.

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