You Have an Impact!
QUARTERLY PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS
A sample of what your support makes possible
Winter 2017

Disaster Response and Refugee Healthcare

— October 4, 2016 —
HURRICANE MATTHEW made landfall in
WESTERN HAITI

175,509 displaced
800,000 urgently required food
1,400,000 in need of assistance

In partnership with
Integral:
Medical Teams provided lifesaving relief items to
8,500
Our current focus:
Diarrheal disease (cholera) prevention
Training & equipping Primary Health Centers

Healthy Children and Safe Motherhood

In the Dhading district of Nepal, access to healthcare is poor, especially for women and children. Medical Teams has started a new project, helping to provide health education and training to Mothers Groups, where women are empowered to learn from and help each other.

Mothers are learning:
• How to identify malnourishment
• How to prepare nutritious meals
• Basic hygiene to reduce illness
• Importance of prenatal and postnatal care

By the numbers
Oct - Dec

35 health education sessions conducted
55 mothers received postnatal care visits
119 underweight children received superflour

Income
FISCAL YEAR 2017 BUDGET vs. YEAR-TO-DATE ACTUAL (OCT - DEC)

Volunteer Highlight
OCTOBER - DECEMBER

24 TEAMS

U.S. OFFICES VOLUNTEER HOURS:
10,579
VALUE OF VOLUNTEER HOURS:
$243,787

DEPLOYED TO THESE COUNTRIES:
CAMBODIA • EL SALVADOR • GREECE • GUATEMALA • HAITI • HONDURAS • MYANMAR • NEPAL • UGANDA
Mobile Dental

Tooth decay is the most common chronic disease faced by children in the U.S. and greatly affects a child’s quality of life and ability to succeed. Medical Teams provides basic oral health education to students in schools where 40%+ of students are eligible for free or reduced lunches. Between October and December, 2,189 students participated in the program in 15 schools and community organizations.

Educate about the importance of oral health.
Empower each child to be an active participant in their own dental care.
Provide the tools - toothbrush, toothpaste and floss - to get started.

By the numbers
Oct - Dec

MOBILE DENTAL CLINICS
326

PATIENTS
5,242

VALUE OF SERVICE
$1.6M

Donor Highlight
Sheng-Yen Lu Foundation

Sheng-Yen Lu Foundation began supporting Medical Teams’ Mobile Dental program in 2010. In 2016, they expanded their support to Nepal’s Maternal and Newborn Child Health Project.

What does SYL Foundation do?
SYL Foundation combines compassion and philanthropy with strategic grant making to advance quality health care and education for all. Each year, the Foundation distributes grants to fund innovative programs that address chronic inequities within the local health and education sector. The Foundation also supports international disaster recovery.

How did you initially get involved with Medical Teams?
We discovered Medical Teams through another local nonprofit as a provider of mobile dental services. Access to oral health is really important as there is a strong correlation with academic performance for school-aged kids and self-esteem for adults. Medical Teams’ program addresses these needs head-on.

What led you to move for supporting local programs to international?
Our international disaster relief funding is completely donor driven and there is great affinity between supporters of the Foundation and the culture and religion of the Nepali people, so there was no question as to whether we would help in any way we can. Our approach to disaster relief funding is to focus our resources on the recovery efforts in the first 6 to 12 months after a disaster occurs. Our reasoning is that it minimizes the risk of misdirected funding since coordination of the outpouring of international aid can be a challenge. We also look for local partners with a long term commitment to the ongoing recovery efforts as opposed to aid that is short-lived and not focused on sustainable outcomes.