

SOMOS AMIGOS ANNUAL REPORT

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Greg Krackzkowsky
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Steven & Joanne Lowe
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HEADS UP!

Next year we'll be adding categories of giving!

\$1–50	Naranja
\$51–100	Chinola
\$101–250	Lechosa
\$251–500	Mango
\$501–1,000	Guineo
\$1,001–2,500	Piña
\$2,501–5,000	Aguacate
\$5,001+	Amigo

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RESPECT, DIGNITY, JUSTICE, COMPASSION, EXCELLENCE.

These are our values. Our mission: in partnership with the community of Naranjito, we commit to delivering unparalleled quality and reliable healthcare to isolated mountain communities in the Dominican Republic.

OUR VISION IS TWOFOLD:



To stand in solidarity with those who struggle, to bring healing and hope to as many patients as possible and with ever-increasing levels of care.



To be a model of partnership and cooperation, to show what is possible when friends and colleagues work together in the service of others.

OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS

Marvin Arbaca
Jorge Arce
Michele Audrey
Stephanie Bernard
Elizabeth Brito
Anna Brock (two trips)
Ed Brock
Carol Buchman
Alberto Burgos
Jim Canales
Bobby Chacon
Richard Clough
Matthew Condon
Tim Crawford
Sheila Cullen
Jim Daubert
Mary Denger
Nancy Donohue
Sean Dwyer
Jacky Forsyth
Carlos Garzon
Rachael Gaynor
Dave Godwin
Vanessa Guzman
Peter Hamm
Blake Harvey

Phil Hawkins
Jelle Hemminga
Diego Hernandez
Mim Hruby
Hope Hutton
Helen Jackson
Mercy Jackson
Barb Janni
Sonie Jean-Pierre
Marcus Jimenez
Melissa Jimenez
Clarissa Johnston
Kim Jones
Kate Kaminski
Mike Kaminski
Mort Kavalier
Ed Keath (two trips)
Mary Keath (three trips)
Mike Keegan (two trips)
Rita Lanphier
Megan Long
Dione Mahoney (two trips)
Jim Mahoney
Elizabeth Mason
Julio Mazarrella
Jim McCann

Marc McKenna
Claribel Liranzo Medina
Eleanna Mendez
Gerda Midi (three trips)
John Mihalik
Elaine Moberly
Angela Moore
Jamie Noonan
Jackie Poggi
Patty Prince
Frank Procaccino
Carolyn Riley
Danny Rivera
Adan Rodriguez
Carolina Rodriguez
Ray Rodriguez
Ashley Rogers
Diana Rojas
Katalin Roth
Chantal Tavaréz
Shahra Toth (two trips)
Desiree Velez
Giannina Velez
Laura Watkins
Locke Wilson

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Amazon Smile Foundation
Anonymus
Barr Foundation
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Free My Apps
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Hewlett Packard Enterprise
Hodelpa Garden Court Hotel
Kaiser Community Giving Campaign
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Karen Leung, M.D.

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Network for Good
PayPal Giving Fund
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Steele Family Foundation
TechSoup
Venable, LLP, Baltimore
Cindy Yost

Dear Friends,

Thank you for reading our annual report and celebrating with us our accomplishments over the past year. And what a year it was!

IMPROVING DENTAL CARE

As our last fiscal year started, work had just begun on the new addition to our dental clinic. By our October trip, the facility was open and quickly proved to be one of those moments when we said to ourselves, “Wow, we didn’t know what we didn’t have until we had it!” The best part of the construction project was that it was funded entirely by a gift specifically for that purpose. The project was designed primarily with our patients in mind. Here’s what the space provides:

- › a dedicated and comfortable waiting area for our dental patients;
- › a private intake area;
- › a separate and safe area for taking x-rays and triaging patients; and
- › more space for our dental teams to work and more privacy for patients in our main clinic area.

With the improved dental facility, we also seized an opportunity to supplement and replace much of our aging dental equipment.

A generous challenge grant provided the foundation for us to successfully complete a campaign to purchase (among other items):

- › a new dental x-ray system;
- › new autoclave;
- › new handpieces; and
- › new ultrasonic cleaners.

Our dedicated dental professionals are now working in a facility with equipment and supplies that would rival some dental offices back home.

LAUNCHING IMPORTANT INITIATIVES

Undoubtedly, the inauguration of the fourth trip to our yearly calendar is an accomplishment of the last year for which we are especially proud. Our new schedule means that we are now at the clinic quarterly, allowing us to provide more reliable, quality care to more patients.

As the fiscal year came to a close, volunteer Mark Yost arrived in Naranjito where he would spend the next two months getting our new insulin outreach program up and running. Another section of the annual report highlights this exciting new initiative.



FUNDING VITAL PATIENT REFERRALS

Last year, more than three dozen patients were referred from our clinic for treatment at private clinics in Santiago. Grants to Somos Amigos dedicated specifically for this important treatment allowed us to clear our backlog of patients requiring treatment ranging from minor procedures and diagnostics to much more involved and extended treatments. Some examples:

- › several women sent for mammograms as a result of abnormal physical exams
- › a man who had corrective foot surgery and is now able to walk again without pain;
- › cataract surgery, a tonsillectomy, hernia surgery;
- › follow-up care for a woman with pregnancy complications;
- › long-term treatment for a patient with cancer.

INCREASING NUMBERS OF VOLUNTEERS AND DONORS

It's been an impressive year indeed. We have welcomed 28 new volunteers to the family of approximately 800 who have joined us on one or more trips. The number of individual donors to Somos Amigos increased 35% since I last reported to you.

RECOGNIZING THAT YOU MADE THIS POSSIBLE

Back in July of 1997, when one physician, one dentist, two teachers, and six high school students embarked on a journey to a beautiful place called Naranjito, one overriding belief guided their modest but noble efforts: that well-intentioned people can come together in the service of others and make a lasting difference – for the better.

Big change starts small. Many of you who have supported us for more than twenty years have been by our side since those early years. Nearly every one of you knows someone who has volunteered with us (or you have volunteered yourself). You have witnessed the humility and sincerity that drive our work. While we're not as small as we once were, our intentions and motivation beckon back to that first trip.

Thank you for believing in Somos Amigos. Thank you for helping us heal. Thank you for supporting our modest efforts to serve. Thank you for committing with us to make a lasting difference in the lives of our patients.



Frank Brightwell
Executive Director



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ABOUT SOMOS AMIGOS

Somos Amigos Medical Missions® is incorporated in the State of California and is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) public charity.

As such, your gift is completely tax deductible.

+ 1,117 unique medical visits

180+ hypertensive patients under care with maintenance medications

1,413 on-site lab tests:

Capabilities for performing 16 different blood, urine and saliva tests.

83 infections treated

126 dermatological issues treated

32 ultrasounds & echocardiograms

16 EKGs

4,833 unique prescriptions

210 GI issues treated

19 PAPs

35 patients referred for surgeries and other procedures



85% Dominican
15% Haitian



54% Female
46% Male



84% Returning Patients
16% New Patients



84% Adults
16% Children



271 unique dental visits

191 prophylaxis treatments

578 tooth surfaces filled with composite or amalgam

103 extractions

DOZENS OF OTHER TREATMENTS

including sealing, polishing, root canals, etc.



80% Dominican
20% Haitian



45% Female
55% Male



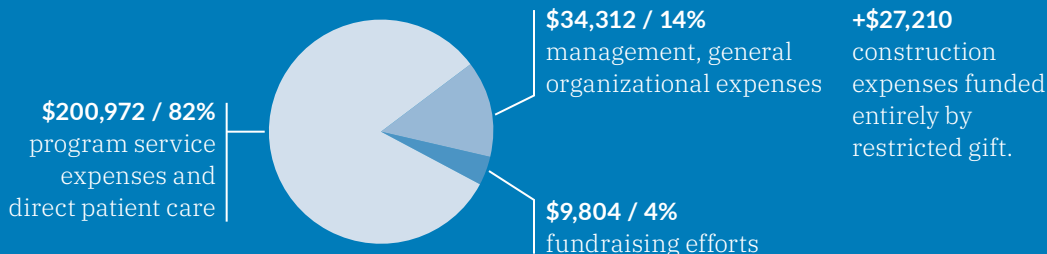
71% Returning Patients
29% New Patients



79% Adults
21% Children



\$272,298 spent this year



We are grateful for our corporate and foundation support, but **MORE THAN 90%** of our annual contributions come from **individual donors like YOU**. And because a generous group of core donors provide for all of our operational expenses, **100% of your gift** will be used for patient care. **Thank you!**



INSULIN OUTREACH PROGRAM

This past summer, after more than a year and a half of conversation, research, collaboration, and planning, we inaugurated our insulin outreach program.

Somos Amigos is now providing insulin and supplies to diabetic patients who live in remote mountain communities.

Our pilot group of patients, along with family members, received education and training before beginning their insulin regimen. Each patient checks in with us on a regular basis so that we can monitor their health and make adjustments to their medication if needed. In January we hope to introduce a second group of patients to the program.



MAINTENANCE
MEDS PROVIDED

158

DIABETIC PATIENTS
IDENTIFIED

50+

DIABETIC PATIENTS
UNDER CARE



PATIENT & FAMILY
EDUCATION

8

NEW PATIENTS
IN JAN. 2019



NO COST
TO PATIENTS

THIS IS TOMASSA,
one of our longtime
patients who suffered
from diabetes and
who died last year.

Tomassina, as she was known to
her friends, was a vocal and respected
advocate for her community.

She was the inspiration for our program.

