

As of June 13, 2010 ESF Earthquake Relief Efforts in Haiti

“7 year old boy should not have to die because he did not have insulin.”

ESF responded to both the local and global needs of the Haitian community since January 12, 2010 and we continue to provide resources along with primary and public health care and education. **That being said, ESF have supported over 4,500 people, mostly with curable illnesses!** ESF is 2 years young but have supported over 65 outreach efforts, 7 have included medical missions to Senegal, W. Africa, Jamaica, and Haiti!

We continue to send a special thanks to all of the volunteers, their family and friends who are assisting in the Haitian Relief Efforts. ESF understands the commitment that it takes to make a volunteer organization work effectively so we truly rely on your generosity to continue our grass roots efforts in effectively addressing local and global problems.

What has ESF been doing in Haiti?

- Employing and consulting with local medical and layman volunteers in Haiti. **ESF has retained and employed 40 Haitian nationals during our past 3 missions!** *That equals economic stimulation and sustainability for the family unit and community.* The Haitian nationals have talents that exceed the amount of financial support ESF provides. ESF has the ability to continue supporting them through continued financial support from donors like you. 100% of money donated towards Haitian relief efforts are applied solely to this program;
- ESF has worked with key informants in Haiti who know the area and the up-to-date information for the organization to make informed decisions;
- **Incorporation of medical evaluation and treatment, health education and advocacy and children program and outreach;**

- Continued collaborate with partnering organizations locally and nationally including: First Haitian Church of God of Prophecy, AmeriCares, AMURT, and local Community-Based Organizations (CBO) like the Center for Accommodations and Health in Delmas 33. ESF is striving to secure other national partnerships with PAHO/WHO and USAID;
- **Developed a partnership with Haitian nursing students to provide clinical assessments along with US volunteers to improve our cross cultural knowledge and needs of the community;**
- Joined the One Response Cluster group in Haiti to assist in the coordination of care;
- Establish reliable modes of communications which includes active Haitian cellular phones;
- **Training and consistent application of quality care of our ESF Translators in Haiti;** and
- Continuum of care for the Haitian community.

ESF Team Haiti Group C: June 3-13, 2010

- **Pictures from Team C:** <http://esfteamhaititeamgroupc.shutterfly.com/>
- **Goals of mission:** To serve the Haitian community by providing quality care and education through the diagnosis, treatment and management of patient care in community health. **Mission Accomplished!**
- **Core team members included:** Karen Ahern, RN, MSN, Amy Joe Baldi, RN, Debra Collier, Dr. Kelly Eberhardt, April Elder, Petagaye English, Kiryn Lanning, Dr. Michael Miller, Rashidah Miller, EDd, Stephanie Miller, David Pierre, Peter Riedel, and Shonta D. Collins, RN, Founder and President of ESF.
- **Sites:** Multiple, “Tent Cities” in Delmas 31 (Camp Toto and Sineous) and Delmas 33 (The Center from Accommodations and Health);

- Partners include AmeriCares, the Philadelphia, regional and national communities;
- Recipients include patients that received primary care from our mobile clinics which were deployed into various tent cities throughout PAP; and
- Patient population included men, women, and children with various disorders and infections including Diabetic Ketoacidosis (DKA), malaria, hypertensive crises, secondary infection, dehydration, malnutrition, vitamin deficiencies, acute and chronic gastrointestinal issues, chronic conditions, mental illness like stress, anxiety, depression and Post Traumatic Stress Disorders (PTSD).

Future Global Programs and Projects

- **ESF Team Haiti Group**, September 15-21, 2010. This team is being lead by ESF Volunteer Robert Rathmann, RN;
- **ESF Team Haiti Group E**, December 15-21, 2010. This team is being lead by ESF Volunteer Ben Guilliume, RN and Jennifer Leary, EMT/PFF; and
- **ESF Team Haiti is strategically planning into 2011**
 - March
 - June
 - September
 - December

Recommendations and ESF's Plan of Action (POA)

Haiti will transition into different phases of the post-disaster relief into a vibrant and self-sustaining community. We believe that the Haitian community has a lot of work ahead but the Haitian pride and spirit will overcome some of these barriers. It is challenging to determine how the plans will evolve in the months ahead but ESF is willing, able and flexible to adjust our team needs with that of the Haitian community.



ESF's mission is to build cultural connections one person and one community at a time and ESF is living up to this promise by doing the following:

- Support ongoing fundraising and funding option to sustain quality services and partnerships locally and in Haiti;
- Create and administer a vaccination campaign for children called, “*V-Gifts for Life.*”
- Form alliances with likeminded individuals and organizations that hold the Haitian needs 1st and has a similar vision in being a resource to the Haitian community for them to self sustain as they recover and rebuild;
- Develop ongoing programming in Haiti through US and on the ground partnerships;
- Develop a needs assessment survey and administer care based upon evidenced-based research and evaluation tools;
- Assist in the creation and development of student exchange programs with US and Haitian students to gain social, cultural and public health experience in order to advocate for self and others who are most vulnerable;
- Create a mentorship program that trains the preceptor/mentor to more effectively teach, instruct and evaluate the students success;
- Create a coordinated system to address the continued need for basic health care services and referrals;
- Open a clinic within in Haiti and continue to support mobile clinic efforts to reach those in the hard to reach places including the mountains and places which require extensive walking;
- Purchase of a stable truck to safely transport medication, supplies, acutely ill patients to the clinic/hospital, and ESF Team members to/from the clinical sites;
- ESF housing unit to support ongoing efforts by local and national ESF staff;
- Implement children programs using magic, arts and music to heal from trauma;



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Building Cultural Connections, One Person and One Community at a Time

- Expand our mobile clinics into areas of Haiti that are not receiving quality care and preventative health education;
- Supporting “green” eco-friendly projects for children and assist the children in developing creative art and crafts but also empower them to learn the principals of business, innovation, and economics;
- Material aid support for ESF mobile health clinics;
- Volunteerism year-round that consists of both medical and non-medical staff; and
- Create a position for a coordinator to manage volunteers, medication and material donations into Haiti; to organize, create a database and central resources for allocation of goods and or volunteer services.



