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2017 ANNUAL GALA

Tuesday, October 24th, 2017

6:00 - 9:00PM

Boston Marriott Newton

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SBHF's Mission

The St. Boniface Haiti Foundation is dedicated to providing essential health services to the people of Southern Haiti, especially the most vulnerable. We are committed to building a comprehensive, efficient, and resilient health system that provides high quality care. We believe that ensuring access to life-saving and life-changing health services is a critical component to building strong and productive communities.

Vision

Working in partnership with local communities, we will transform Haiti's southern peninsula by ensuring that all people, regardless of their ability to pay, have access to high-quality, compassionate health care. By improving health, we will reduce unnecessary suffering and improve the standard of living for the entire region. SBHF's success will prove that quality health care can be a sustainable reality in Haiti, and will offer a model for health care systems in resource-poor settings around the world.

Values

- **WE BELIEVE IN EQUITY AND COMPASSION:** We believe that *tout moun se moun* ("all people are people"). We ensure that everyone, and particularly the poorest among us, has access to the health services we offer. We treat all of our patients with dignity, respect, and compassion.
- **WE ARE DETERMINED:** We get the job done. We are relentless because we care deeply about the well-being of our patients, and we have a sense of urgency because we know that the work we do saves lives.
- **WE ARE COLLABORATIVE:** We don't believe we have all the answers, nor that our work can be done without input from our partners and members of the community. We are always looking for ways to learn from others and improve our work.
- **WE ARE DATA-DRIVEN:** We measure what we do and use data to make decisions that impact patient care.
- **WE ARE TRANSPARENT:** We are accountable to the communities we serve, our donors, and the partner organizations that help sponsor our work.

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ST BONIFACE HAITI FOUNDATION

HURRICANE MATTHEW UPDATE

One Year Later: Hard Work, Generosity, and Progress

Your donations are helping to make Southern Haiti stronger and more resilient after Hurricane Matthew

In the year since Hurricane Matthew hit southern Haiti on October 4, 2016, and with the help of thousands of people like you, SBHF has been a leading force in providing care and coordinating recovery efforts in the affected areas. While global attention moved away from Haiti in the months after the storm, SBHF remains committed to working side by side with the people of southern Haiti towards smart, resilient solutions to the issues that have made the region so vulnerable to disasters like Hurricane Matthew.

Over the past year, SBHF's work has continued to expand to fill the ever-increasing demand for healthcare services in southern Haiti. This expansion has taken many forms: in geographic reach, in services offered, and in capacity to care for more and more patients. Read on to learn about what your support has made possible in the year since the storm hit.



Dr. Samuel Bernard examines a child and her mother at a mobile clinic visit in the Tiburon area on the western end of Haiti's Southern Peninsula.

MOBILE CLINICS

As soon as they could, teams of doctors and nurses from SBHF started traveling to the most remote communities on the western end of the Southern Peninsula, which had been hardest hit by the hurricane. Their goal was to provide medical care to people who had been most affected by the storm. Many of the people they saw had not only been without medical care since the hurricane—many had never seen a doctor before in their lives.

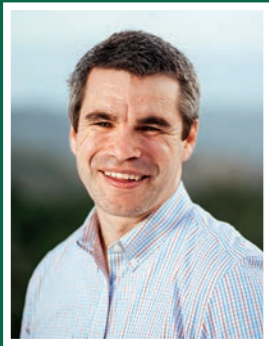
These clinics continue, with the support of UNICEF and individual donors, in two key communities that were badly affected by the hurricane: Maniche, north of Les Cayes, and Tiburon on the far west coast.

Since the mobile clinics started in December our teams have seen 15,000 patients, provided 1,200 doses of lifesaving childhood vaccinations, and referred hundreds of people to health facilities and malnutrition treatment programs in order to get the specialized care they need.



Residents of Dalmette help widen the road by hand so SBHF's mobile clinic team can reach their town.

Many of the communities that the mobile clinics reach rarely if ever see vehicles arrive, because the roads are so treacherous. In Dalmette, community members turned out with pick axes and shovels to help widen and clear a stretch of road so that the mobile clinic trucks could reach the town. Everywhere they go, SBHF's mobile clinic teams are met with cheers, thanks, and offers to help, as people want to take an active role in ensuring their families and neighbors have access to care.



A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

CONOR SHAPIRO
PRESIDENT & CEO

Dear Friends,

In the days and weeks after Hurricane Matthew slammed into southern Haiti one year ago this month, our entire team was devoted to ensuring that the people in our communities had the emergency resources they needed. You were a big part of that response. The support we received from generous donors like you all over the country and around the world encouraged and inspired our team to keep going through the difficult circumstances, and to find new ways to fulfill our mission of ensuring that all people in southern Haiti have access to high quality healthcare where and when they need it.

Now, a year later, we are continuing this commitment through the new initiatives and projects detailed in this newsletter and by doubling down on our core work at St. Boniface Hospital. We have seen over 100,000 patient visits at the hospital and our small clinic in Villa since the hurricane hit, and reached many thousands through community health outreach and mobile clinics. Your ongoing support drives all of this work. It is showing that it is possible to provide high quality healthcare in even the most difficult environments. It is helping southern Haiti show the world that we can make real change by giving people resources and opportunities to make their communities healthier and more resilient. Thank you for standing with us, and the people of southern Haiti, in this effort.

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Conor Shapiro
President & CEO

ONE YEAR LATER CONTINUED ▶



The new Center for Infectious Disease and Emergency Care is nearing completion, thanks to the hard work from our partners at Build Health International, and support from USAID's ASHA program.

CIDEC CONSTRUCTION

In the spring our partners at Build Health International broke ground on a new 7,500 square foot Center for Infectious Disease and Emergency Care, funded in large part by the generosity of the American people through USAID's American Schools and Hospitals Abroad program. The CIDEC building will provide spaces for our staff to triage critical patients, and to safely and effectively treat those suffering from tuberculosis, diphtheria, and other highly-contagious diseases. We look forward to the new building's opening in late fall 2017



Representatives from USAID, the US Embassy, and the Haitian Ministry of Health getting a tour of the new SBHF Surgical Center from Drs. Luther Ward and Michelson Padovany.

SURGICAL CENTER INAUGURATION

Though it has been open and operating since Thanksgiving Day 2016 (less than two months after Hurricane Matthew), this past July we celebrated the official inauguration of SBHF's beautiful new surgical center. Guests from the Haitian government, US Embassy in Port au Prince, USAID in Washington, D.C., the Kellogg Foundation, and nearly 200 other partners, local dignitaries, and community members joined SBHF staff and friends in a celebration of the new center and the surgical team's huge impact on the lives of thousands of people. "St. Boniface Hospital and this surgical center serve as a model in Haiti for the advancement of best practices in building medical facilities and performing surgeries," said Charge d'Affaires of the U.S. Embassy in Haiti, Brian Shukan.

The center is now treating nearly 250 people each month, most of whom would have no other access to the surgical care they need. With your support our team will continue to provide excellent care to all who need it for many years to come.



Solar Panels are filling 60% of St. Boniface Hospital's electrical needs, providing safe, clean, reliable and sustainable power for better patient care.

SOLAR POWER INSTALLATION

When Hurricane Matthew washed out the only road connecting Fond des Blancs with the rest of the Southern Peninsula, it reinforced the precariousness of our hospital's remote, off-the-grid location and its inability to function without regular deliveries of diesel fuel for our two electrical generators. So, we were thrilled when, this July, we flipped the switch to turn on St. Boniface Hospital's brand new solar power system. The 600 panels and 130 batteries will provide approximately 60% of the energy needed to operate the hospital every day, with the generators filling the gap. We are hoping to expand the system in the future to fill even more of the hospital's energy needs with clean, safe, self-generating solar power.



The new SBHF warehouse is centralizing and streamlining our supply chain, so we can be sure that patients and staff have consistent access to the medicines and supplies they need, when and where they need them.

NEW MEDICAL SUPPLIES DISTRIBUTION CENTER

With support from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Build Health International completed a new 10,000 square foot warehouse and distribution center in Fond des Blancs this summer. This massive new warehouse will allow SBHF's supply chain team to centralize storage and distribution of medications and supplies. Moving from 11 small depots and storage areas to one main facility has made it easier to track inventory, fill requests, and ensure that medications and supplies are available when and where our staff and patients need them. The warehouse can also serve as a regional distribution center in future emergencies, thus increasing resilience and security for the entire peninsula.

PATIENT PROFILE

Returning Home

Charlisena adjusts to her new life back at home in Les Anglais



Charlisena Lubin, who spent seven months at SBHF's Spinal Cord Injury Center after Hurricane Matthew, is thrilled to finally return to school.

Charlisena came to SBHF's Spinal Cord Injury center, generously funded by USAID, a week after Hurricane Matthew, when a large tree branch fell on her as she and her parents were fleeing their home in Les Anglais during the height of the storm. Paralyzed from the waist down, Charlisena ended up at the public hospital in Les Cayes with a group of other patients, unable to find care due to the hospital's own damage during the storm. SBHF staff drove through the night to bring them to St. Boniface Hospital, where Charlisena received over seven months of rehabilitation and skills training to help her return home and prepare for life in her new wheelchair.

One year after the storm Charlisena is back at home in Les Anglais, and she continues to make great progress with the help of her loving parents, her community, and the SBHF Spinal Cord Injury team. Therapists from the SCI center make the 7 hour drive to Les Anglais every few months to ensure Charlisena is healthy and happy, and that her wheelchair is in good working order.

This fall Charlisena achieved a major personal milestone of returning to school, 11 months after her injury. She is thrilled to be back in school with her peers, and having her life return to normal. Her classmates have been excited to have her back, and help encourage her to participate fully in school and community activities. Everyone who has met this quiet but powerful young girl is thrilled to see her doing so well.

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