For 45 years, St. Andrew’s Children’s Clinic has provided free, specialized medical care to children living in Mexico who cannot get the care or afford the care they need in their home country. The Clinic is held at St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church in Nogales, Arizona.

St. Andrew’s Children’s Clinic is a non-denominational, non-profit organization, with a volunteer professional health care staff. The staff sees approximately 225-250 children the first Thursday of each month except July. Every October, in cooperation with Children’s Surgery International and CIMA Hospital, 50-60 children (on average) have cleft palate/cleft lip surgery in Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico. This special mission involves volunteers on both sides of the US-Mexico border who work with the medical team to give patients smiles and a much better life.

In 2017, with the help of generous donors and volunteers, St. Andrew’s Children’s Clinic provided the following:

- 3,938 Clinic hours by volunteer health care professionals
- 5,229 Clinic hours by other volunteers
- 2,293 patient visits
- 87 first-time patients to The Clinic
- 128 office visits (US and Mexico)
- 123 lab tests (US and Mexico)
- 72 cleft palate/cleft lip surgeries (56 children)
- 8,010 professional health volunteer hours for cleft palate/lip surgeries
- 525 dental visits
- 52 eye doctor/surgeries
- 39 orthopedic surgeries
- 82 pairs of eye glasses dispensed
- 39 round-trip flights and transportation to hospitals for patients
- 29 prostheses
- 171 pairs of corrective shoes and orthotics
- 32 repaired hearing aids
- 37 customized wheel chairs, walkers, and strollers
- 122 donated wheel chairs distributed
- 30 prescriptions, either for cornea transplants or dermatology patients
- 9 iPads and software for augmentative/alternative communication patients
- also, medicated eye drops; Braille writers; strollers; speech and language equipment; nutritional supplements; physical, occupational, and speech therapy; dermatology and cardiology consultations; and many generous donations of blankets, diapers, and toys.

Mariana is 9 and lives in Hermosillo, Sonora. She was born with both a cleft lip and a cleft palate. She has had 2 surgeries at our Annual Cleft Palate/Cleft Lip Mission in Hermosillo, Sonora. In October 2017 she had bone graft surgery, a tooth extraction, and a minor lip revision. She will continue to visit our clinic for Speech Therapy and Orthodontal care.

We are very proud to report to you that 98% of all donations goes to patient care.

The Clinic is Celebrating 45 years in 2018. A “Clinic of Love”.

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