



Healing starts with a smile and a glimmer of hope in a child's eye. And for the children and families served by St. Andrew's Children's Clinic, the hope and healing are because of you.

This year has given us many challenges, but the smiles of children that have benefited for our past Cleft Palate and Cleft Lip Missions inspire us to move forward and come back better and stronger. After having to cancel this year's Mission, we have found creative ways to keep serving our new and previous patients and prepare them for next year's Mission.

In 2019, we were able to provide 66 corrective surgeries for a total of 56 children, with some patients receiving more than one surgery. These included cleft palate, cleft lip, rhinoplasty, tooth extractions, bone grafts, speech surgeries, and lingual frenulum (tongue tied). Following the Mission, patients receive additional services that include orthodontal work, nutrition, and speech therapy. All these services, including hospital, lodging and food are free to the families. Our mission is to provide a better quality of life, giving hope to their families and relief from any financial burden. The only thing that matters is seeing the children leave the hospital with a smile on their face and bright future ahead of them.

There is much work to be done this year and next. Children must be prepared with services so they can benefit from a surgery next year. Among the work to be done this year and next:

- ◆ Orthodontal visits; some of the children lost months of treatment due to the pandemic and now that strong safety measures are taken to be seen at appointments many of the children have to restart their treatment.
- ◆ Special feeding bottles to the babies
- ◆ We are starting up with speech therapies via telemedicine.

Our partnership in this mission is with Children Surgery International (CSI), Hospital CIMA and Voluntariado CIMA. We are fortunate to have a wonderful group of ladies that handle the logistics of this mission.

I urge you to please contribute to this cause and be a change in a family's life. When you make your contribution please earmark it "Cleft Palate Mission" so we can allocate the funds towards the program.

Please visit our website at www.standrewsclinic.org to learn more about our Clinic and be part of our wonderful family.



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