



**NPH USA**  
Raising Children. Transforming Lives.



## HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS

### HEALTH ISSUES IN LATIN AMERICA

Over half the children in the developing world are severely deprived of basic necessities, including adequate shelter, proper nutrition, safe water and quality health care.

- Almost half of the people in Latin America live in poverty which contributes to low levels of health care.
- Across Latin America 1.5 million people live with HIV/AIDS.
- Insect and water-borne diseases present large medical challenges across the region.

### COUNTRY FACTS

- **BOLIVIA:** Only 42% of people in rural areas are using adequate sanitation facilities.
- **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC:** 62% of children 6-24 months do not have a minimum acceptable diet.
- **EL SALVADOR:** 70% of children indicate they have been abused in their homes.
- **GUATEMALA:** Each year an estimated 67,000 children are born mentally impaired due to iodine deficiency.
- **HAITI:** 40% of the population has no access to an improved water source and 80% has no access to sanitation facilities.
- **HONDURAS:** More than 50% of children 6-24 months are anemic
- **MEXICO:** Has declared the epidemic of diabetes a national emergency - an estimated 13 million people have the disease.
- **NICARAGUA:** 40% of the population has no access to health care.
- **PERU:** The risk of major infectious diseases is very high.

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### MAKING AN IMPACT

NPH USA transforms the lives of vulnerable children in Latin America and the Caribbean by supporting the homes, health services and educational programs of Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos (NPH, Spanish for "Our Little Brothers and Sisters"). Together, we help children overcome poverty and become leaders in their own communities.

NPH is currently supporting more than 6,200 boys and girls in Bolivia, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua and Peru. Our community outreach programs provided over 140,000 services in 2017.



## HEALTHCARE AT NPH

Prior to joining our family, many of our children have never visited a doctor or dentist and are often suffering from malnutrition and/or preventable diseases. All children receive a health check upon arrival and are vaccinated as needed. If a child is ill, or has a chronic condition, the NPH medical staff ensures that he/she receives evidence-based treatment, safe cost-effective medicines, and any necessary therapy, including physical, occupational, art, speech and psychological. The staff also focuses on establishing healthy lifestyles so children can do well in school and excel as members of the NPH family. Each home emphasizes wellness programs that include nutrition, hygiene, health education, sports and recreation programs.

In addition to ensuring the good health of the children, NPH performs outreach for surrounding communities. For example, St. Damien Pediatric Hospital in Haiti treats over 100 children per day, and the One World Surgery Center in Honduras provides outpatient services for NPH children and the rural poor as well as medical training. Overall, thousands of children inside and outside the NPH family receive quality medical care each year through our healthcare programs.

## 2017 NPH HEALTH SERVICES AT A GLANCE

- 849 Chronic conditions
- 51 HIV (children living in the homes)
- 1,395 Well child visits
- 2,566 Vaccine doses
- 24 Hospitalized (mostly for surgeries)
- 41 Child surgeries
- 7,783 Physician consults
- 10,674 Nurse consults
- 8,436 Therapies (physical, occupational, speech, psychological)
- 1,268 Dental services

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

NPH spends over \$6.5 million annually on providing the quality care necessary to keep our children healthy. Your gift can help our children grow into caring and productive adults.

- \$5,000 pays the annual salary for a nurse at an NPH home
- \$10,000 supports the medical clinic for one month at NPH El Salvador
- \$15,000 provides basic medicine for the 94 children at NPH Peru for one year
- \$25,000 delivers medical care to the children at NPH Haiti for three months
- \$60,000 supports the medical expenses at NPH Mexico for six months

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