



DELIVERING HEALTH AND HOPE IN 2015



Photos courtesy of The Salvation Army, IMC, CMAT

1,000,000

 Million people treated

40

Twenty-foot equivalent containers

450

Humanitarian Medical Kits

52

Countries

16

Airlifts

2.2 M

treatments provided

\$26.5

Million in medical relief delivered

42

Donor companies of medicines and medical supplies

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TREATING THE INJURED AND SICK FOLLOWING NEPAL EARTHQUAKE

Canadians were moved by the destruction they saw in Nepal following the country's worst earthquake in 82 years. Many chose to help HPIC mobilize several shipments of medical relief enabling our partners to provide 43,500 full courses of treatment after the April 25 earthquake. HPIC would especially like to thank the Canadian Medical Foundation for a major grant.

CMAT (Canadian Medical Assistance Teams) was the first team to take Humanitarian Medical Kits and they were on the ground a few short days after the earthquake struck in April. CMAT's volunteers "trekked through high mountain villages and rice paddies to deliver health care to patients who would otherwise go without," they reported.

International Medical Corps, a partner in HPIC's emergency response program, received an airlift of Humanitarian Medical Kits for their work in Nepal in May. These kits provisioned their mobile medical units and equipped the teams to provide about 6,000 treatments.

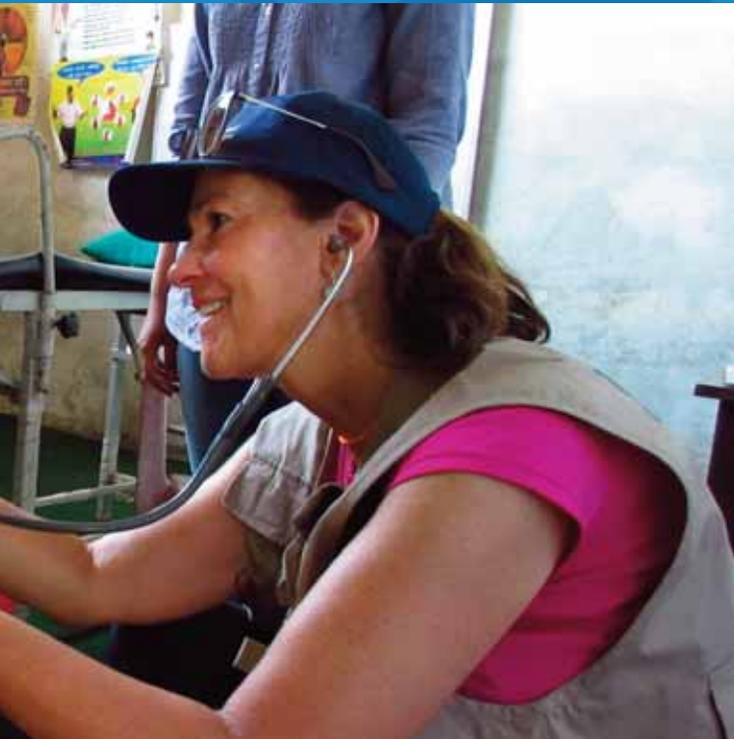
With funding donated in 2015, HPIC sent a major shipment of essential medicines and supplies with EMCC in January 2016. This was the most significant provision of medical relief for the disaster and enough to provide treatment to over 20,000 children and adults.



Courtesy

MAJOR RELIEF OPERATION FOR SYRIAN REFUGEE CRISIS

During the fifth year of the Syrian refugee crisis, HPIC responded with needed medical relief to various countries with several partner organizations and equipped medical volunteers for mission trips. The scale of need is huge and the crisis shows no signs of ending. Meanwhile children and adults are in need of medical attention. HPIC can confidently state that more than 50,000 Syrian refugees were treated thanks to multiple provisions of medical relief, via airlifts and containers as well as in the form of Humanitarian Medical Kits.



by of IMC

One of the people that HPIC helped is a grandfather named Ali, who fled Aleppo in 2012 and sought refuge in Lebanon. Our partner agency ANERA related the story in a report to us:

Oussama, a 43-year old father of four, fled to Lebanon with his wife and parents leaving behind an extended family, a grocery store, and all his dreams. He and his family resettled in the Lebanese mountains in a two-room house that lacks heat, electricity and access to clean water. Then more bad news arrived:

"We received a disturbing phone call informing us of the death of my uncle and all his family in heavy shelling over

HPIC'S EMERGENCY RELIEF:

Syrian refugee crisis: HPIC has been actively responding to help refugees access medicines since 2011. This past year, in partnership with several organizations active in Turkey, Iraq, Syria and Lebanon, HPIC sent shipments of medical relief to provide about 97,000 courses of treatment in 2015. In early 2016, another shipment was provided with about 6,000 treatments.

Impact: 100,000 full courses of medical treatment

Nepal: HPIC's major response included Humanitarian Medical Kits and some shipments of bulk medicines. HPIC medical relief was used in the earliest days by the Canadian Medical Assistance Teams. An airlift was sent to International Medical Corps in May 2015, and a significant airlift was sent to EMCC in January 2016 thanks to major donations in 2015.

Impact: 43,500 full courses of medical treatment

Ebola: We began sending medicines in 2014, but also airlifted 2 shipments to International Medical Corps in 2015. IMC was one of the few organizations that set up Ebola treatment centres. HPIC sent specifically requested medicines for this outbreak and we are happy to report that the virus is under control.

Impact: 12,000 full courses of medical treatment

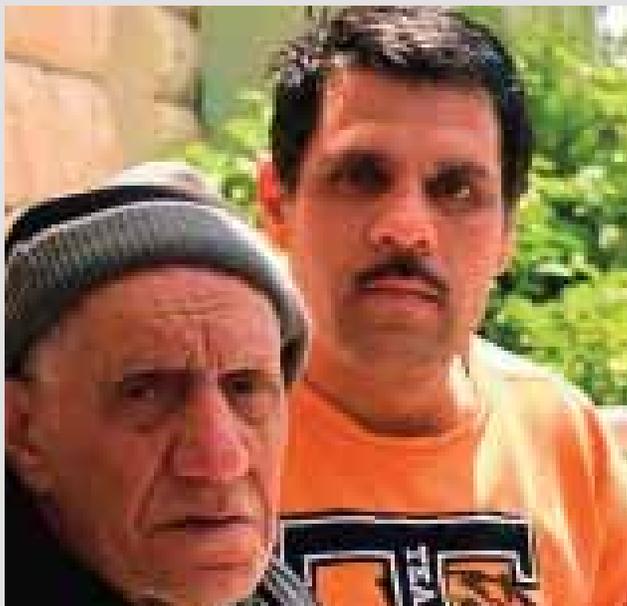
South Sudan: This is a forgotten and protracted crisis. We sent two shipments with International Medical Corps.

Impact: 6,724 full courses of medical treatment

Aleppo,” Oussama remembers. “My father Ali couldn’t handle the news and collapsed.” He had suffered a heart attack.

Oussama rushed him to the hospital. Thanks to timely medical intervention, Ali recovered and was put on a comprehensive medical treatment to follow. The one-year treatment plan consisted of several medicines, including Clopidogrel. “This medicine is vital but very expensive and I could not afford it,” says Oussama.

A donation of medicine from Health Partners International of Canada arrived at the right moment. Ali will receive Clopidogrel at no cost. At least 5,500 people with cardiac issues in Lebanon will benefit from this donation over the coming year.



Ali’s heart medicine was too expensive for his family to afford. Fortunately, HPIC was able to help with a timely delivery of medicine to ANERA in Lebanon. Courtesy: ANERA

Stronger Together grant allows HPIC to develop new pharmaceutical management tool

Pharmacies in hospitals and clinics in the developing world often have trouble keeping essential medicines in stock. For more than 25 years, HPIC has worked to increase access to medicine for the most vulnerable communities in the world, mainly through the provision of medical relief.

Building on the success of the government-funded project in Afghanistan, HPIC began a new project in 2015 to help medical staff forecast, monitor and distribute their stocks effectively, with the objective of eliminating stock outs and preventing good medicine from expiring before it can be used.

Stronger Together, a funding collective, gave HPIC critical funding to develop a pharmaceutical inventory management database system. In mid-2016, HPIC will be ready to pilot the database.

With the knowledge that medicines are so important and

resources are often limited in the developing world, HPIC has developed ways in which to improve the supply and use of medicines while minimizing costs.

Village elders thankful for maternal care provided through HPIC and The Salvation Army

HPIC has been working with several partners in the field of Mother-Child Health. The needs of mothers and children is a special emphasis in many HPIC projects. Here is a story submitted by The Salvation Army about a Kenyan mother named Helen (pictured on the front page) who benefitted from care provided by health workers using HPIC’s mother-child health kits.

Helen is 9 months pregnant with her third child. She already has two children, aged 4 and 2. Helen has been to The Salvation Army clinic set up under the tree seven times. When she was asked where she will deliver, her answer was: “At The Salvation Army Kalonya health centre.”

Village elders in Helen’s community said: “We have been waiting for you since morning. We are so grateful for this service. These medicines are helping our community. There is no other health facility near our village.”



need, explained Denis St-Amour to the people who came to the opening of HPIC's new distribution centre in Oakville Nov. 25.

church have been doing for a decade to deliver health and hope. Every year, Dr. Del Rizzo and his community bring enough medicines and medical supplies to provide about 18,000 treatments.

"There are people who are waiting, hoping and praying for this medicine to reach them," Denis said, pointing to the medicine filling the racks in the 11,500 square-foot DC. "It can be life-saving and it can to treat symptoms allowing people to resume a normal active life."

"If you are born into a shantytown, your life expectancy in the D.R. is 50," the doctor said. The HIV/AIDS rate is high for young people, malnutrition is around 30 per cent for children and chronic diarrhea affects about 50 per cent of children." When Dr. Del Rizzo brings enough medicine to supply the pharmacy clinics for a year.

"One of the nurses is named Esperanza, hope in English. She has a fitting name. When I asked her if we are making a difference, she said 'yes'. I said 'how'. And she replied: 'Our kids don't die anymore'. There is nothing more impressive and hopeful than her statement."

"Thank you so much for all the supplies. Many people waited from 3 a.m. to see the doctor and receive medication," wrote Nurse Merrilee Trussler, who supplied this photo from her Haiti mission.

Doctor speaks about impact of Humanitarian Medical Kits at opening of new DC

Even the most basic medicine can make an enormous difference to someone in

A community that receives medical relief from HPIC is in the Dominican Republic. Dr. Dario Del Rizzo, a physician and partner in HPIC's Humanitarian Medical Kit program, spoke at the event about the work he and his



Opening of HPIC's new DC

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HPIC marked our 25th anniversary in 2015 with a few events and was congratulated in the House of Commons by M.P. Francis Scarpaleggia who rose and gave the following appreciative remarks Feb. 6, 2015:

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Health Partners International of Canada, an NGO headquartered in the West Island of Montreal, on 25 years of delivering essential medicines and medical supplies to vulnerable communities, particularly those in the developing world. Since 1990, it has remarkably delivered over 20 million treatments to such communities....

Thanks to its extraordinary vision and its ability to form partnerships, HPIC helps alleviate the pain of a great many people in our global village.

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HPIC is a not-for-profit relief and development organization that delivers health and hope to the world's most vulnerable people. We are dedicated to increasing access to medicine and improving health in the developing world without discrimination through the provision of essential medicines & medical supplies, pharmaceutical management and logistics, and capacity-building projects.

Every \$1 donated to HPIC delivers at least \$10 of essential medicine. Due to the generosity of our healthcare industry donors, our safe and effective delivery methods, and our capacity building projects overseas, HPIC is able to multiply every dollar donated to provide at least \$10 worth of medical aid.

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