

Patzun, Guatemala:



Once again the Healing Hands Foundation (THHF) has returned from a medical mission in Patzun, Guatemala. With a team of 22 volunteers, THHF traveled to Patzun, Guatemala from November 5th to the 14th, 2009. During the mission, THHF was able to perform nearly 500 medical consultations and performed the following procedures:



- 53 Major Surgeries
- 138 Dental Procedures
- 20 Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy cases

All the medical services provided to the people in Patzun were donated by THHF and no patients had to pay anything for these services. In addition, THHF was able to donate over \$40,000 in medicine and supplies. These donations were given to Corpus Christi Hospital, which is run by Sister Reyna Barahona. Also, every patient that was treated by THHF went home with toys, clothes, medicine, and food.

The people in Patzun were very nice despite the hard life they lead. Everyone in this little town is a descendant from the Mayan and they were very thankful for the services we provided. The THHF Team was very pleased to be able to help the people in Patzun, Guatemala.

BEFORE SURGERY

DURING SURGERY

AFTER SURGERY



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Many thanks to all our volunteers for donating their time, money and expertise to make this mission a success. Special thanks to Steven Gandara, our coordinator in Guatemala, his family and friends for coordinating our logistics, without their help, this mission could not have happened. THHF would like to thank all our sponsors, families, and friends for donating towards the Guatemala 2009 mission. Again, without these donations, our missions would not be possible.

TRIAGE

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SURGERY

PACU/RECOVERY





Team Guatemala – Volunteers:

Jaime Flores - Plastic Surgeon
 Dylan Stewart - Pediatric Surgeon
 Marco V. Avila – Executive Director
 Jonathan Cohen – P.A.
 Susan Connolly - PACU Nurse Lead
 Jennifer Gaines - RN/OR
 Sarah E. Dillon - RN/PACU
 Steven Gandara – Guatemala Coordinator

Richard Elliot - Pediatric Anesthesiology & CCM
 Lori Krumm - Surg. RN
 Carolyn Bea Watts – CRNA
 Mike Stargardt – Pediatrician
 Sarah Piggott – Dental Assistant/PACU
 Japhia Booth - Occupational Therapist
 Stephanie Sowinski - RN/OR
 Gandara Family & Friends, Carlos Caballeros

Zenobia Ann Casey - MD/ Anesthesiology
 Gregory Ruff - ST/OR
 Sara Fore - RN/PACU
 Jennifer Millar - Physical Therapist
 Ossie Cameron – Dentist
 Mary Lambertson - RN/OR
 Lauren Freedman – CRNA
 Hospital Corpus Christi – Patzun

Meet the Volunteers:



Faces from the Orphanage (San Francisco de Asis):



THHF Volunteers spend a few hours every day at the orphanage playing with the children. Volunteers also distributed toys and clothing to the orphans of San Francisco de Asis. (this orphanage was also run by Sister Reyna Barahona.

