

Mending Kids 2022 Annual Report

Our 17th year was out of this world!



MESSAGE FROM THE E.D.



I am thrilled to report that, as we wrap up 2022, we are on the brink of mending our 5000th child. This incredible milestone is a testament to the dedication of our medical and non-medical volunteers, the generosity of the companies who donate valuable medical supplies, and the philanthropy of our individual donors, corporate supporters and foundations. We could not have gotten this far without your help.

Over the past year, we have continued to expand our reach and impact, providing life-changing surgeries and medical care to children in need around the world. We have partnered with hospitals, healthcare providers, and other nonprofits to deliver care to children who would otherwise not have access to it.

But our work is far from over. Despite the progress we have made, there are still millions of children around the world who require surgical care. We will continue to work tirelessly to reach as many children as possible, while supporting medical communities to become self-sustaining.

As we look to 2023, we are excited about the opportunities that lie before us. With your continued support, we can make an even greater impact and help even more children in need.

We thank you for your unwavering support and dedication to Mending Kids, and we look forward to this journey with you.


Together, we are Mending Kids.



Isabelle Fox
Executive Director



Our Vision

A photograph of two children, a girl on the left and a boy on the right, seen from behind. They are standing in a grassy field with large rocks and trees in the background. The girl is wearing a dark purple t-shirt with the words 'HOPE. LOVE. MEND.' printed on it. The boy is wearing a blue t-shirt with the same words 'HOPE. LOVE. MEND.' printed on it, along with the website 'mendingkids.org' and a small tagline 'ON A MISSION TO PROVIDE LIFE-MENDING SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WHO'. A small blue house icon is overlaid on the left side of the image.

All children, regardless of where they live, their ethnic background, religious affiliation, or ability to pay, deserve access to quality surgical care to help save and mend their lives. We believe that an organization sometimes has to stretch its resources in order to go where others don't and take care of children that others can't.

Overseas Surgical Mission



23-28
JAN

Philippines Regional Cotabato City Cardiac

- 9 kids
- Dr. Jhuliet J. Balderas and Dr. Gerardo S. Manzo

Mauritius Cardiac

- 29 kids
- Dr. Evan Zahn and Dr. Salvatore Agati

12-18
MAR

Guatemala Ear, Nose & Throat

- 41 kids
- Dr. Namrata Varma

19-25
MAR

Nicaragua Interventional Cardiology

- 12 kids
- Dr. Michael Womack

2-8
APR

Tanzania Ear, Nose & Throat

- 16 kids
- Dr. Lia Jacobson and Dr. Ayal Willner

12-17
JUNE



Overseas Surgical Mission



16
JULY

Philippines Regional Cotabato City Cardiac

- 18 kids
- Dr. Jhuliet J. Balderas and Dr. Gerardo S. Manzo

Hometown Mission

- 6 kids
- Dr. Ayal Willner, Dr. Henry Chen, Dr. Andre Panossian, Dr. David Kulber

21-26
AUG

Nicaragua Interventional Cardiology

- 9 kids
- Dr. Michael Womack

9-14
OCT

Tanzania Cardiac

- 44 kids
- Dr. Darren Berman and Dr. Salvatore Agati

17-21
OCT

Peru General

- 5 kids
- Dr. Vincent Duron

23-28
OCT





Milestones

This year, Mending Kids positively transformed the lives of **223 kids** from **17 different countries**. Since the inception of our overseas missions and individual surgical care programs, we have provided life-changing surgical care to 4860 children from 70 countries, as of December 31st, 2022.



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Overseas Surgical Missions

1

Hometown Mission

223

Kids Mended in 2022

4860

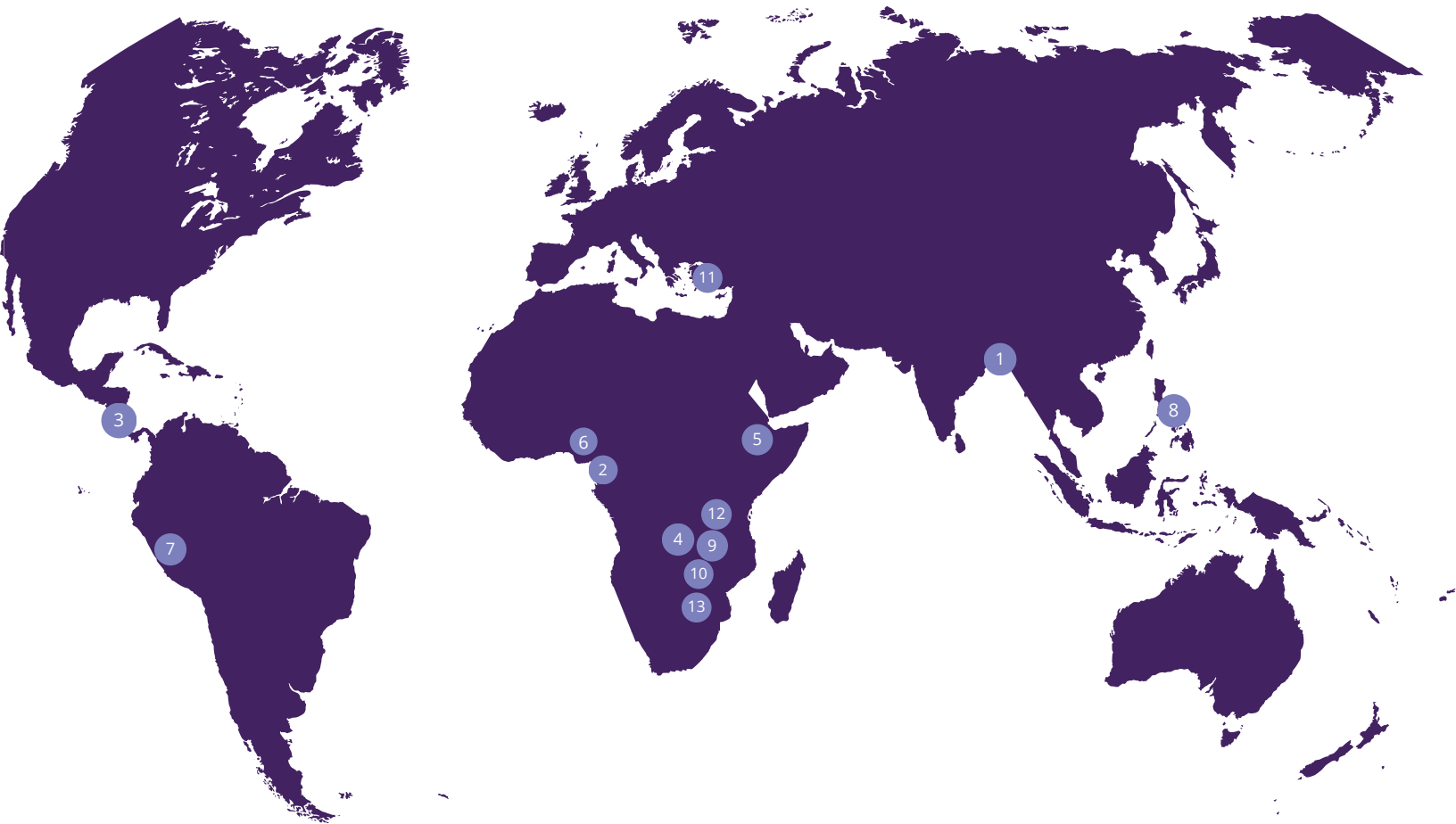
Kids To Date

70

Countries served



38 INDIVIDUAL SURGICAL CASES FROM 13 COUNTRIES



- 1 Bangladesh
- 2 Cameroon*
- 3 Costa Rica
- 4 Democratic Republic of the Congo
- 5 Ethiopia
- 6 Nigeria
- 7 Peru
- 8 Philippines
- 9 Rwanda
- 10 Tanzania
- 11 Turkey
- 12 Uganda
- 13 Zimbabwe

*Cameroon became the 70th country reached by Mending Kids programs



Financials

\$91,061	Individual Contributions
\$209,464	Foundation Contributions & Grants
\$74,967	Corporate Contributions
\$112,594	Surgical Mission Contributions
\$282,720	Special Events
\$11,702	Investment Income
\$77,260	Other Income

\$859,768

Total 2022 Cash Income

At Mending Kids, we deeply value every dollar raised and are committed to being responsible stewards of our resources. We understand that our donors place a great deal of trust in us, which is why we take our financial management very seriously. By being mindful of our expenses and seeking out partnerships that offer in-kind services, we are able to maximize the impact of every donation and direct as much funding as possible towards our programs. Through these efforts, we strive to ensure that our donors' generosity has a meaningful and lasting impact on the lives of the children and families we serve.



In-Kind Donations

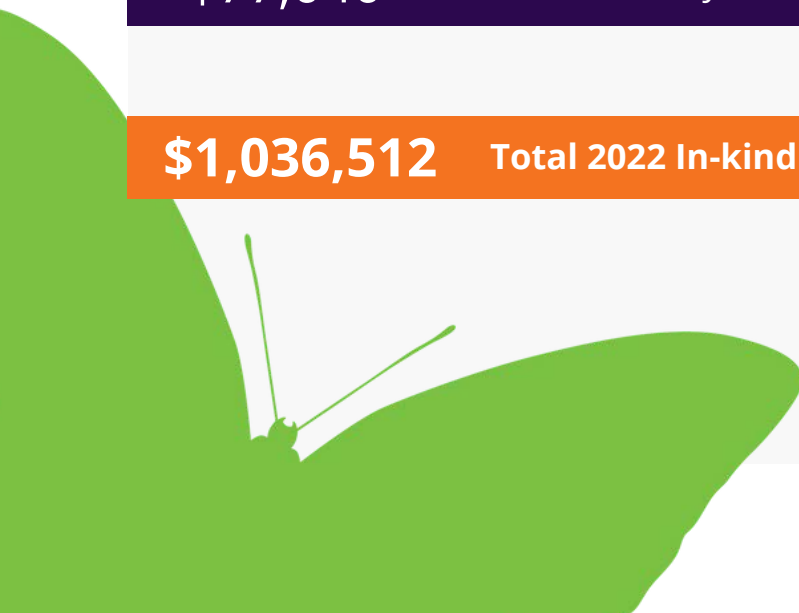
"In-kind donations" refer to a form of charitable giving where medical goods and services are gifted instead of monetary donations. Mending Kids receives a substantial number of such donations annually in the form of service hours from medical professionals, free or discounted surgical supplies and equipment, facility rental fee reductions, and valuable items and experiences that are auctioned off at our events.

\$599,762 In-kind Service Hours Donated

\$359,710 In-kind medical supplies donated

\$77,040 In-kind Facility Fee Reductions

\$1,036,512 Total 2022 In-kind Contributions



SPOTLIGHT

6-Part Ear, Nose & Throat Symposium

- **Attendees**
 - 164 from 29 countries
- **Presenters**
 - Dr. Lia Jacobson and Dr. Ayal Willner
 - 15 Graduate Students from the University of Melbourne
- **Hospital Affiliations**
 - Bugando Medical Centre
 - MemorialCare Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach
 - University of California, San Francisco Medical Center
 - University of Melbourne



Regional Missions - Philippines

Mending Kids partnered with the Philippine Heart Center for two regional missions in the Philippines in 2022. These missions aim to reach children in remote areas who cannot access care in the capital of Manila. Led by Dr. Jhuliet J. Balderas and Dr. Gerardo S. Manzo, both missions were significant in Philippine mission work, with January's mission being the **first cardiovascular surgical mission** in Cotabato City and August's mission achieving the **highest number of pediatric patients operated** on in a single mission in the Philippines. The collaboration mended **27 children** in total and strengthened the Cotabato City healthcare system by training its local cardiac team.



Happiness

Mending Kids has been deploying cardiac teams to Jakaya Kikwete Cardiac Institute in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania since 2015. In October, Dr. Darren Berman, of Children's Hospital Los Angeles, joined the team for his first Mending Kids mission. Working alongside cardiac surgeon and Mending Kids veteran, Dr. Salvatore Agati, of Bambino Gesù Children's Hospital - Centro Cardiologico Pediatrico del Mediterraneo, Dr. Berman led his team through a successful week of heart catheterization procedures.

Happiness, a three-year-old orphan, is one of the 21 children who received life-saving care from Dr. Berman that week. However, unlike many of the other children, Happiness is only at the beginning of her journey to health.

In addition to a congenital heart defect, Happiness was born with a colorectal malformation that, while significantly impacting her quality of life, was untreatable without first mending her heart.



Happiness - continued

Thus, Dr. Berman's successful heart catheterization illuminated a path toward a healthy future; a path that would cross again with Mending Kids. Come January, Happiness would be seen by the Mending Kids colorectal team, led by Dr. Jason Frischer and Dr. Beth Rymeski of Cincinnati Children's Hospital, in Mwanza, Tanzania. She received another successful operation and remains on track towards a healthy life, miles away from where she began only a year prior.

Thanks to the various specialties of medical personnel we partner with, Mending Kids is able to provide a range of surgical care to our patients. We believe this to be one reason why, among organizations doing great work, Mending Kids has carved out a valuable niche. Happiness is one of many who have benefited from this unique approach, receiving care from multiple Mending Kids surgeons and building lasting relationships for the necessary follow-up.



Emmanuel



"Let me introduce myself, I am Mr. Peter I. from Nigeria (husband of Judith) and father of **Emmanuel**. Honestly, I am very grateful to Mending Kids for the successful surgical mission on my son Master Peter Emmanuel in India. Who would have helped us? Mending Kids swept away our tears and brought back happiness, & joy in our family. It is still like a dream to me that people I have never met or seen took care of my son's **heart surgery** payments, drugs, housing, food costs, and flight payments to/from India. I can't believe this, but it's real. Tears of **joy** filled my eyes seeing Emmanuel healthy, breathing properly, and playing, since they returned to Nigeria. I can't thank you enough. We are grateful for everything Mending Kids did for us. I don't have gold and silver to appreciate Mending Kids, God bless you all individually and collectively as an organization abundantly beyond measure. Thanks for everything. Thanks for your **compassion**. Emmanuel is doing well, and I believe God will make provisions for us to send him to school, when he fully recovers. The crucible is over. I am grateful for everything. Regards to your family too. From Peter, husband of Judith, father of Emmanuel."

Our Heroes

Foundations

- Anonymous
- Cerner Charitable Foundation
- Del E Webb Foundation
- Edwards Lifesciences Foundation
- Frischer Family Foundation
- Gift of Life International
- HCA Healthcare Foundation
- Henry L. Guenther Foundation
- Jonathan & Julia Eng Foundation
- La Canada Junior Women's Club
- Los Angeles Lakers Youth Foundation
- Rags for Riches Foundation
- Rex Foundation
- Saccone-Stotland Giving Fund
- Saul & Leslie Bernstein Family Foundation
- Shalom Foundation
- The Charitable Foundation
- The Fox Beauregard Family Charitable Fund
- The Hausman Family Foundation
- The Helen and Jose Colton Foundation
- The House Giving Fund
- The Sweat, Dustin Blood Trust

Individual Surgical Care Partners

- Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, Los Angeles, California
- Fortis Institute, New Delhi, India
- Jakaya Kikwete Cardiac Institute, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- Manipal Hospital, Bangalore, India
- Narayana Health, Bangalore, India
- Philippine Heart Center, Manila, Philippines
- Shriners Children's Southern California, Pasadena, California

Mission Partners

- Bugando Medical Center, Mwanza, Tanzania
- Cotabato Regional & Medical Center, Cotabato City, Philippines
- Hospital Regional de Loreto "Felipe Santiago Arriola Iglesias", Iquitos, Peru
- Jakaya Kikwete Cardiac Institute, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- La Mascota, Managua, Nicaragua
- MemorialCare Outpatient Surgical Center, Long Beach, California
- Moore Center, Guatemala City, Guatemala
- SSRN Cardiac Center, Pamplemousses, Mauritius

Hospital Affiliations

- Bambino Gesù Hospital - Centro Cardiologico Pediatrico del Mediterraneo
- Cedars-Sinai Medical Center
- Children's Hospital Los Angeles
- Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center
- MemorialCare Miller Children's & Women's Hospital Long Beach
- NewYork-Presbyterian Morgan Stanley Children's Hospital, Columbia University
- Shriners Hospitals for Children
- St. Luke's Boise Medical Center
- University of California, San Francisco Medical Center

Medical In-kind Donors

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- Cooper Surgical
- Henry Schein
- MAP International
- Medshare
- Medtronic
- Merit Medical
- NuMED For Children
- Occlutech International
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- Terumo
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