



# 2024 Gratitude Report

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#### **OUR MISSION**

TO ADDRESS THE
CRITICAL SHORTAGE OF
SURGICAL FACILITIES
AND TRAINED SURGEONS
IN HAITI THROUGH THE
VOLUNTEER EFFORTS OF
SURGEONS AND OTHERS,
AND BY RAISING
FINANCIAL RESOURCES
TO DEVELOP LONG-TERM
SOLUTIONS.

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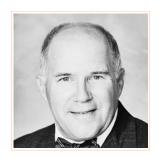
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#### **Dear Friends -**

Our vision for our patients in Haiti is not unlike what any of us hope for our future: the freedom to pursue a life of health, happiness, and purpose.

Since 2010, Higgins Brothers Surgicenter for Hope has worked with an array of volunteers, partner orgaizations, and generous donors to ensure the people of Haiti can enjoy good health, are protected from disease, and have access to basic medical services and life-saving surgical care.

Fifteen years later, it is a mission we continue to fulfill despite a humanitarian crisis that grows more dire by the day as gangs terrorize communities through vicious attacks and extortion. Meanwhile, the chasms of poverty grow deeper, as more than 5 million people face acute hunger, with 2 million experiencing emergency levels of food insecurity.

Though most of the nation's hospitals have been forced to close, miraculously, our Surgicenter has remained open. Our courageous and dedicated medical team and staff, along with your generosity, have sustained this life-saving work.

Thank you for your innumerable gestures of compassion and kindness. Thank you for keeping precious hope alive in Haiti.

With Gratitude.

Ted Higgins, MD, FACS Founder and Chairman

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### Forward, always forward.











#### Where we've been. Where we're going.

No one can ever accuse Haiti of not embracing the bends in the road.

While some believe there's more to be gained in life by taking the long way, the journey in Haiti has been one of extreme peril and suffering.

The present political, economic, and social crisis in Haiti began with protests in 2018. Escalated gang activity - a long-standing issue - has been on the rise since 2020.

Nearly every aspect of everyday life in Haiti has been impacted, including the closure of major hospitals and clinics. Fortunately, our Surgicenter has persevered and remains open to care for anyone willing to risk the dangers of road travel or traversing the mountains by foot.

Through it all, our medical team has persevered, refusing to dwell in despair. For as long as they are willing, we will walk beside them. With your continued compassion, generosity, and encouragement, we will keep moving forward - always forward - to offer a place of comfort, healing and HOPE!

All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word:
freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope.

- Winston Churchill



# PATIENT CARE BY THE NUMBERS

**12,532** medical clinic consultations

3,992 pediatric consultations

**2,321** emergency visits

**1,011** maternity consultations

392 surgical procedures

1,634
HIV clinic consultations

**493** babies delivered

**48**Community Health visits

1,073
dental consultations





ope is the only bee that makes honey without flowers.

- Robert Green Ingersoll







#### Oh, Baby!

February, 2024 A newly constructed Maternity Center is taking shape as crews work nightly to avoid dangerous road travel by day. The building will house an operating room for C-sections, delivery rooms, and patient care suite. The second floor Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) Community Room is a quiet haven for staff meals, meetings, classes, and office hours.

#### On the state of Haiti

**April 2024:** In Boston, MA Dr. Ted presents alongside Ambassador William O'Neil, the United Nations' Independent Expert on the Human Rights situation in Haiti.

#### Close to home.

August 2024: Essential surgicenter personnel begin moving into the newly constructed Medical Staff Living Facility on the Surgicenter campus. The 22-unit facility allows medical staff to reside on-site, avoiding dangerous road travel. A wall has also been constructed around the facility for protection and to prevent flooding during the rainy season.

#### Elite. Trained. Ready.

**October 2024:** A private security detail of elite Haitian National Police begin protecting the people and property in Fonds Parisien, Haiti from gangs.



#### Hit for Haiti!

October 2024: The 4th Annual Hit for Haiti tennis and pickleball extravaganza was a smashing success, raising more than \$245,000! Homestead Country Club in Prairie Village, KS generously sponsors this event, allowing 100% of funds raised to benefit patients in need.

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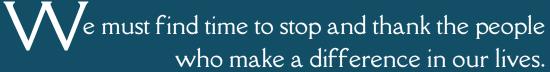
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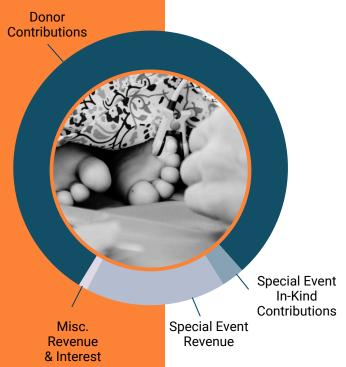




## **2024** FINANCIAL OVERVIEW



#### REVENUE/ DONOR GENEROSITY



# Programs, Operations & Patient Care Fundraising Supporting Activities Capital Projects

#### **REVENUES**

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| Donor Contributions                 | \$1,179,598 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Special Event Revenue               | \$245,000   |
| Special Event In-Kind Contributions | \$40,368    |
| Misc. Revenue & Interest            | \$16,144    |
|                                     |             |

Contributions Total \$1,481,110

#### **EXPENSES**

#### **Programs**

| Grants: Scholarships                        | \$50,668  |
|---|-----------|
| Grants: Surgicenter Capital Projects        | \$590,125 |
| Grants: Surgicenter Operations/Patient Care | \$703,299 |
| Grants: Surgicenter Security                | \$150,000 |
| Shipping & Other Expenses                   | \$2,979   |
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Program Expense Total \$1,497,071

#### **Supporting Activities**

General & Administration \$43,000 Interest Expense

Supporting Activities Total \$77,787

#### **Fundraising**

| Fundraising Services           | \$14,560    |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Special Event Costs (In-Kind)  | \$40,000    |
| Special Event Costs            | \$10,159    |
| Misc. Expense                  | \$8,677     |
| Fundraising Total              | \$73,396    |
| Expenses Total                 | \$1,648,254 |
| Expenses greater than Revenues | -\$167,144  |
|                                |             |

Cash on Hand, December 31, 2023 \$359,816
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