



2011 Annual Report

Join us this holiday season in bringing quality health care to people in need across the globe!



Global Relief & Development Efforts

Ethiopia

Provided a shipment of 5 voltage converters for the Gondar Hospital; donated various medical supplies; initiated development of a Clinical Psychology program in Gondar

Sri Lanka

Worked through local partners to deliver relief (including nutrition, medicine, basic goods, health care, and other support) to flood victims

Somalia

Supported emergency health and nutrition relief efforts to combat severe famine

Egypt

Provided solar panels to families living in "garbage villages"



Our Continued Commitment to Rebuilding Lives in Sri Lanka

"The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

Across Sri Lanka thousands of people in need rely on and have benefited from the support and services provided by IMHO in rebuilding lives, developing crucial health services and infrastructure, and ensuring a better tomorrow. Together with our local partners and the resilient people themselves, we have collectively accomplished so much since our humble beginnings in 2004. This past year IMHO USA continued its commitment to helping to rebuild lives for those affected by war, poverty, displacement, and natural disaster, having committed nearly \$200,000 in programs and in-kind donations to-date.

Livelihoods Support/Microcredit Efforts

Restoring livelihoods for families displaced by the war remains a top concern in ensuring they can provide for themselves again and returning a sense of normalcy to their lives. IMHO supported a number of these empowerment efforts in Kilinochchi, Mannar, Batticaloa, and Kalmunai.

Mental Health

Good mental health is an integral part of the well being of all people, and though it is often overlooked by other organizations, IMHO has been a steadfast supporter of providing quality psychiatric care to those in need and working to develop the mental health care infrastructure. In 2011 IMHO supported intervention & care teams and Mental Health Units in Jaffna, Kalmunai, Manthikai, and Tellipalai.

Invest in a Better Tomorrow— Make a Contribution Today!

You can make a single or recurring donation online at www.TheIMHO.org or simply send a check made out to "IMHO" to PO Box 61265, Staten Island, NY 10306. All donations are tax-deductible.



Health Infrastructure Development and Capacity-Building

While we did engage under-served communities this year through efforts concentrated on providing nutrition, operating mobile clinics, and offering care and support to elders and children, the majority of our efforts were focused on developing the local infrastructure of key hospitals and health institutions in Jaffna, Kilinochchi, Mullaitivu, Mulankavil, Kalmunai, and Batticaloa. Our assistance was crucial to supporting patient services related to care in cardiology, oncology, nephrology, diabetes/endocrinology, pediatrics, ophthalmology, and gynecology. Perhaps most importantly, we provided financial and material support to health care teams providing services to those living in resettled, remote, and disadvantaged communities.

Through our efforts to help empower and build the capacity of our local partners, we are proud to have played a role in earning much deserved recognition for a number of our partners who received awards in 2011, including:

- The **2011 Award of Excellence in Leadership** from the **Asian Federation of Psychiatric Associations** 3rd World Congress in Melbourne, Australia for the Kalmunai Mental Health Unit and the **2011 Young Asian Psychiatrist Award** for Dr. Judy Jeyakumar, Director of the Unit.
- The **Silver Award** in the **National Health Excellence** competition conducted by the Sri Lanka Central Ministry of Health in the category of curative care institutions for the Point Pedro Base Hospital. The Jaffna RDHS Division also won the **Bronze Award** in the competition for **Best Health Management Unit**.
- The prestigious **2010 InterAction Humanitarian Award** for Dr. T. Sathiyamoorthy, current Medical Superintendent of the Kilinochchi General Hospital, who received a standing ovation as he accepted his prize in Washington, DC this August. IMHO is proud to have nominated this exceptional public servant for his incredible heroism and service.

Our Next Major Initiative: Establishing a NICU at Jaffna Hospital

With the advancement of medical sciences in much of the world, Northern Sri Lanka is lagging behind. There is a clear need to improve the neonatal services in Jaffna by establishing a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. Lack of space, proper facilities, equipment, and trained doctors and nurses are the main challenges, which IMHO seeks to address with this major project. This new initiative will consist of three necessary phases, each costing roughly \$70,000, including 1) the renovation and addition of building space to house the NICU, 2) the provisioning of vital medical equipment needed to meet the high demand and provide a higher quality of care, and 3) further equipment provisions and facility development. We have already made great progress in rallying support for this important project, but we need your help to reach our goal. You can view a short documentary about the project and find much more information on our website.



Get Involved Today!

There are many ways in which you can contribute to IMHO and give back. We are always looking for thoughtful, committed, and motivated volunteers to step up and join our team. You can offer your professional skills, host a fundraiser, volunteer with us, make a donation, or...we're open to new ideas and are eager to hear from you! Send us an email at contact@theimho.org today.

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