

# MEDICAL MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL



# ANNUAL REPORT

2021

## A MESSAGE FROM LEANNE

***“I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.”—Philippians 1:6***

Despite all of the challenges of the pandemic, there was so much good work accomplished this year—but as always, our work is not done yet. It cannot be overstated that we are being called to more as an organization in this world of need.

Over the last several months, local teams have been expanding their programs during periods of reduced international travel. Plus, we’ve also entered into some promising new partnerships with the World Food Programme, United Nations Populations Fund, and Rotary International.

There has been such an amazing spirit of perseverance and flexibility from our international Project Teams as they’ve adapted to new procedures and protocols with many, many covid tests along the way.

Today, we’re pleased to see that our Health Centers have overcome the early challenges of lockdowns and are again thriving. Not only are they seeing more patients, they’re now expanding their health care services!

In Peru, our Health Center has broadened their reach from optical, dental and physical therapy to now include ophthalmology services. And in Ecuador, the Health Center is planning to grow from providing ophthalmology services to offering general surgery!

All of which is developing under the oversight of the Board of Directors and our dedicated office team who support all aspects of Medical Ministry International’s field programs.

During this time, our international leaders have been serving such a critical role. First, they respond to invitations from local communities, conduct assessments of local needs and develop relationships with local health care professionals, churches and community leaders. Then, they design programs that are able to meet these unique health care needs before organizing one and two week Project Teams with the goal of establishing long-term Health Care Centers.

All of this makes such a difference for people awaiting life-saving care around the world. However, it’s only possible with support from generous donors like you. Together, we’re making lasting change a reality for so many people and we’re so grateful for your support.

In Him,



**Leanne Ferris**  
*Executive Director*





## HOW PAYING IT FORWARD TURNED DONNA & FABIOLA INTO LIFELONG FRIENDS

*Your support brings help where it's needed most, but it also brings people together. For Donna and Fabiola, that meant a unique and fulfilling friendship!*

I've been so fortunate to receive medical training, so when I retired as a registered nurse I wanted to use my skills to pay it forward. Each year for 12 years, I raise \$3000 - \$7000 to purchase medication for a Project trip to the Dominican Republic.

One afternoon, I was working in the pharmacy when I saw a woman looking nervous outside our clinic. She had come for a consultation but was very anxious. We didn't speak the same language, so she rubbed her fingers together to let me know she had no money to pay. I gave her the go-ahead and she ran to our entrance.

Her name was Fabiola. She was a poor, widowed Haitian, diagnosed as HIV positive. She came to us looking for retro virals—but we could supply her with a year's worth of iron and vitamin B to keep her healthy, plus antibiotics to ward off infection.

I immediately connected with Fabiola and started bringing her care packages each

time I visited—always with a year's supply of vitamins and antibiotics! When I stepped off the bus in Nagua, Fabiola was there waiting with the biggest hug. As the years passed, she started bringing me gifts like oranges, avocados, even ice cream!

During one of the hurricanes, her leaky tin house was levelled by a huge avocado tree, leaving her destitute. I did all I could to help. Though it took 5 years to build, last January she showed me her new block home, beaming from ear to ear.

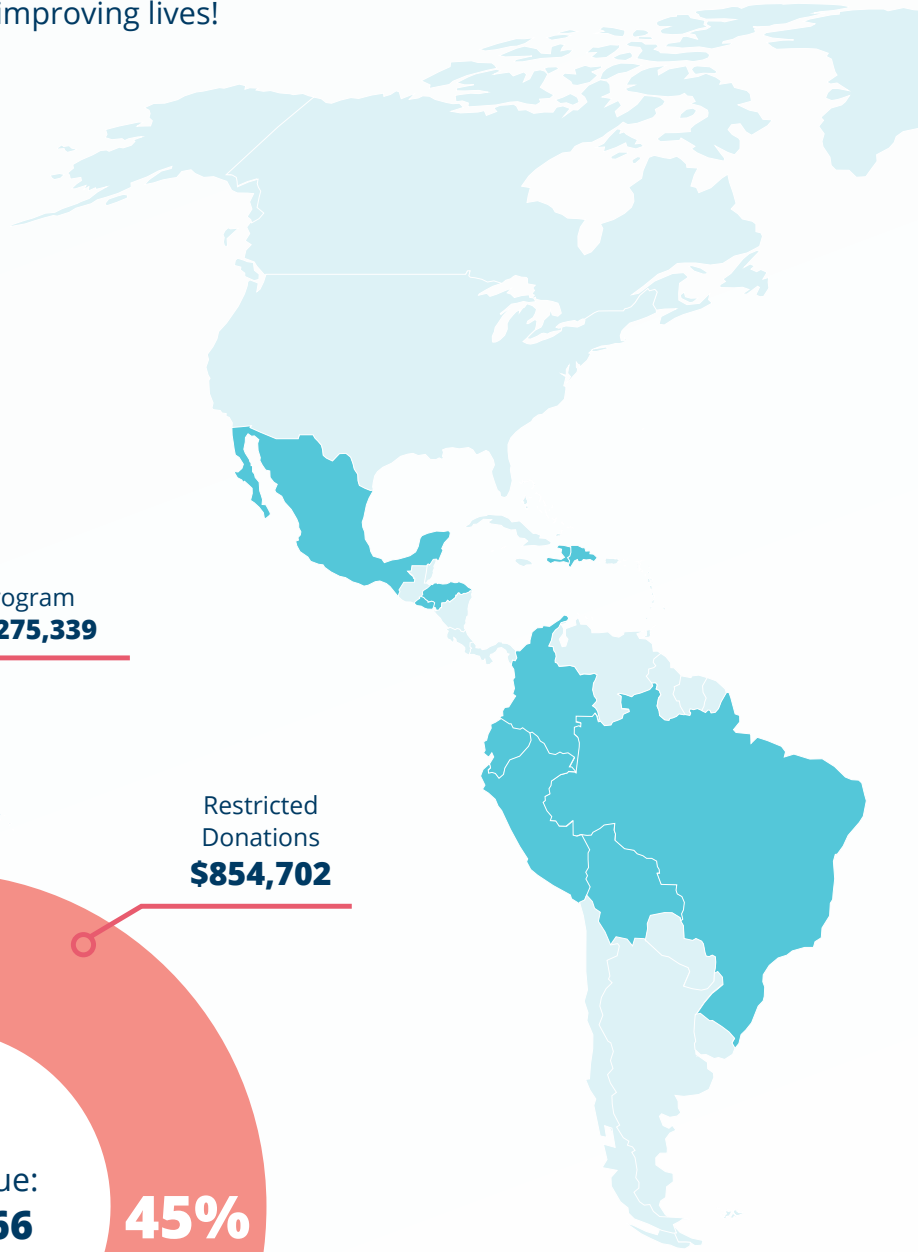
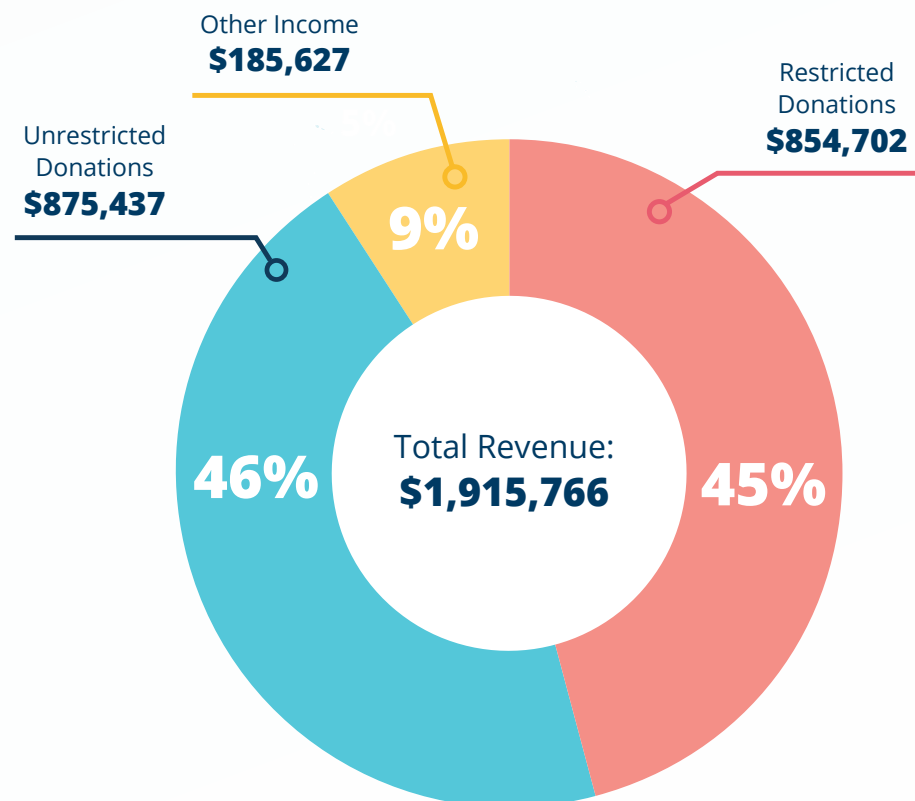
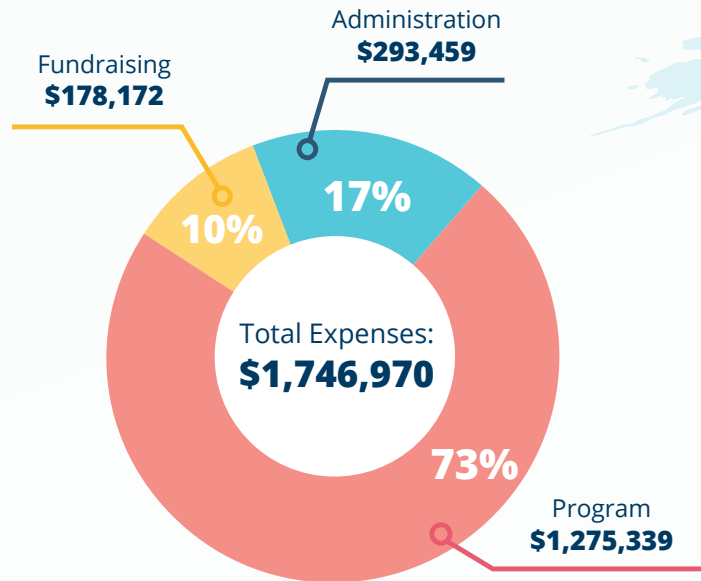
Today, Fabiola is respected in her community as a pastor of a Haitian church with 50 members! I truly feel her life was changed by Medical Ministry International caring for her and showing her love. Now she is paying it forward at her church—by my helping her, she helps many more. And I'm thrilled to be a part of that.

***Donna Roth-Hills, Registered Nurse  
Project Participant***

MEDICAL MINISTRY INTERNATIONAL'S 2021

# GLOBAL IMPACT

Together, we're caring for patients and improving lives!



Serving in..  
**22**  
different countries\*  
*\*SEE FULL LIST ON BACK*



**128,121**

Patients Served



**\$53,484,791**

Value of Health Care Services Provided

**\$9,979,431**

on Project Teams  
and Local Initiatives

**\$43,505,360**

in partnerships  
with Health Centers

# AN INCREDIBLE YEAR OF IMPACT

Supporting Programs & Serving Patients in 2021



## VISION CARE

Eye health is an important part of our overall well being. That's why our Vision Care Program provides all aspects of eye health care, including screenings, eyeglass dispensing, prostheses fittings, cataract surgeries, and more.



**80,786**

Patients Served



**\$43,403,538**

Value of Services

## DENTAL CARE

Quality dental care increases quality of life! With your help, Project Teams ensure patients in developing countries receive important services like fluoride treatments, sealants, dental cleanings, extractions, and restorative procedures.



**3,355**

Patients Served



**\$1,848,766**

Value of Services





## PRIMARY CARE & PREVENTION

Addressing health concerns one patient at a time ensures the long-term health of a whole community! Our Primary Care programs provides consultations, lab procedures, filling prescriptions, parasite treatments, wellness checks, and more.

 **15,086**

Patients Served

 **\$4,184,172**

Value of Services



## SURGICAL CARE

In the developing world, people experiencing financial barriers to surgery which means minor problems become life-threatening issues. Our Surgical Program makes sure this essential care is accessible and affordable!



**398**

Patients Served



**\$725,081**

Value of Services

## EDUCATION & COUNSELLING

With help from our partners around the world, our team provides nutritious food to remote communities and helps educate them on the basics of health and wellness—including practices like handwashing and the role nutrition plays in preventative health care.



**22,260**

Patients Served



**\$2,332,152**

Value of Services

## PHYSICAL THERAPY

Therapy restores patients with physical limitations, who are often isolated on the margins of society. Our programs include services that range from consultations and assessments to fittings for walkers, wheelchairs, and other assistive devices.



**6,236**

Patients Served



**\$991,082**

Value of Services

For more specific details on any of our programs, please visit our website at [www.mmi.org](http://www.mmi.org).

# WHERE WE SERVE



## **Azerbaijan**

Caspian Compassion  
Project: Tofiq  
Teymurov

## **Bolivia**

MMI Bolivia:  
Francis Perez

## **Brazil**

MMI Amazon:  
Juan Alan Muñoz

## **Cambodia**

Dr. Allan Melicor

## **Colombia**

MMI Amazon:  
Juan Alan Muñoz

## **Dominican Republic**

MMI DR: Dr. Teo Beato &  
Dr. Frida Luna; Alex Ramirez,  
Elizabeth Seunarine  
CCSM: Elias Santana Hospital

## **Ecuador**

Hospital Cristiano de  
Especialidades  
Jone Hernandez,  
Dr. Susana Logacho

## **El Salvador**

Eye Care International

## **Ethiopia**

Sight for Souls

## **Ghana**

Sight for Africa  
Seth Ephraim  
Tetteh-Quaye

## **Haiti**

Empower Global

## **Honduras**

Centro Cristiano de  
Servicios Humanitarios  
de Honduras Gustavo  
Elicegui, Ruth &  
Daniel Castro

## **India**

Mercy Eye Center: Drs.  
Chingkup & Sharon Konyak

## **Indonesia**

Global Eye Mission  
New Hope Foundation

## **Mexico**

University of Montemorelos  
Dan Copeland,  
Juan Carlos Pedraza

## **Nepal**

Dr. Allan Melicor

## **Peru**

MMI Peru:  
Tania Catacora

## **Philippines**

Dr. Allan Melicor

## **Rwanda**

Peta-Ann Schmidt

## **Thailand**

Dr. Allan Melicor

## **Ukraine**

Ukraine Compassion  
Project: Dr. Emil Alibeili

## **Zambia**

Peta-Ann Schmidt