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Letter from Chairman

Dear friends and supporters of the PCRF,

2013 was the year that the PCRF made significant strides towards achieving the noble mission by which we were founded on over twenty years ago, that is **to identify every child in the Middle East with medical needs and arrange for them the medical care that they need, regardless of their religion, nationality, gender, ethnicity or creed, in the most cost-effective and efficient manner.**

In the first quarter, we opened satellite offices in Beirut to respond to treat Palestinian and Syrian refugees, three offices in the north, center and south of the besieged Gaza Strip, and offices in Jenin, Nablus, Tulkarem, Hebron and Bethlehem. The expansion of our field presence is to ensure that no child goes without our humanitarian support. As a result, we saw a tremendous boost in the number of kids we are reaching, and the quality of the volunteer missions that we are supporting. For example, this year we more than doubled the number of surgery teams going to the Gaza Strip. No other organization does the kind of work that we do, or is having the impact that we have for children with surgical needs in the Middle East.

The strength of the PCRF is our volunteers from all over the world, who care for our children and support our humanitarian mission. We added new chapters in North America and the Middle East, and continue to grow in a way that enables people from every background and ability to give their time and skill to help heal our kids. As a result, we nearly doubled the number of injured and sick children who went abroad for free care in 2013, saving lives and tens of millions of dollars.

Two of our greatest achievements in 2013 were on the ground in Palestine. The first was the opening of the Huda Al Masri Pediatric Cancer Dept. in Beit Jala Hospital in the West Bank. This department is the first and only public cancer center for children, and was named in honor of our head social worker who passed away in July of 2009 from leukaemia. Huda's legacy as a humanitarian, mother and social worker cannot be overstated, and it is our great privilege to honor this great Palestinian Arab woman after her passing in the same way that she lived: healing children.

The second great achievement in 2013 was the launching of the pediatric cardiac surgery program at the European Gaza Hospital in Khan Younis. Hundreds of Gaza babies are born each year with heart defects and many were needlessly dying due to the lack of care in Gaza. We are sponsoring volunteer missions from all over the world to treat these children and build a program to ensure that these kids all get the life-saving treatment they need and deserve.

We are proud of our achievements in 2013, but know that we have much more work to do. We are striving to be a more effective, hard-working and efficient non-profit relief group, reaching more children in need and proving that love and compassion can overcome war and hate. We thank everyone who supports us in our work and hope that this annual report shows that your aid was put to good use. We hope you will continue in 2014 to join us in our goal of helping every child in need gets the support they deserve.

In Solidarity,



Dr. Musa Nasir
Chairman of the Board



Steve Sosebee
President/CEO

Letter from Jimmy Carter



JIMMY CARTER

March 8, 2013

The Palestine Children's Relief Fund (PCRF) has over twenty years of experience in addressing the medical and humanitarian crisis facing Palestinian youth. They have provided cost-free care and humanitarian aid for thousands of children throughout the Middle East, including Lebanon, Iraq and the occupied Palestinian territory.

The continuing occupation has condemned many Palestinians to poverty, especially in the Gaza Strip, which has been under siege for over five years. Children there live in particularly difficult conditions, with inadequate access to healthcare. PCRF's Healing Hearts Project aims to address some of these ailments by providing urgent clinical care for Palestinian children with heart disease in the Gaza Strip.

I encourage those who are interested in relieving the suffering of children and promoting peace to support the work of PCRF and their Healing Hearts campaign.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Jimmy Carter in black ink, written in a cursive style.

Distribution of Funds 2013

The distribution of expenses for our programs in 2013 are reflected in this graph. The highest expense we face is in sending volunteer surgery teams from all over the world to Palestine and Lebanon to treat children for free. The main expense here is the cost of logistics, accommodations and transportation internally, as these doctors and nurses are not compensated for their work. The value of the 1,495 operations that we did in 2013 is worth tens of millions of dollars. The second largest expense was the building of a new department for children with cancer in Beit Jala, which was started in 2012. The department included construction, equipment and training for staff. The other main expenses include different humanitarian programs and projects, all of which have an impact on thousands of suffering children and save tens of millions of dollars by being provided for free.





Medical Missions

In 2013, we continued to be the main non-profit organization sponsoring volunteer surgery teams from all over the world to provide free complex medical care for sick and injured children in their own hospitals. We have sent over 160 medical teams to the Middle East in the past two years, treating over 3,000 sick and needy children for free.

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Total number of operations in 2013 by the PCRF



Missions by the PCRF

81

Missions to the WB

40

Missions to Gaza

38

Missions to Lebanon

3

How many patients treated
in Gaza

630

How many patients treated
in the WB

778

How many patients treated
in Lebanon

87

Total number of operations in 2013 by the PCRF

1495

February

Pediatric Neurosurgery

Team members:	Dr. Samer Elbabaa, Dr. Omar Zalatimo, Dr. Kevin Healy, Teresa Bubb, Amal Jubran
Location:	Rafidia Hospital- Nablus
Date:	February 2 - 9
The number of patients treated:	14
The number of patients screened:	46

Pediatric Dental Mission

Team members:	Dr. Sahar Alrayyes, Dr. Bilal Saib, Dr. Suzi Azhari
Location:	Thabet Thabet Hospital - Tulkarem
Date:	February 8 - 17
The number of patients treated:	44
The number of patients screened:	66



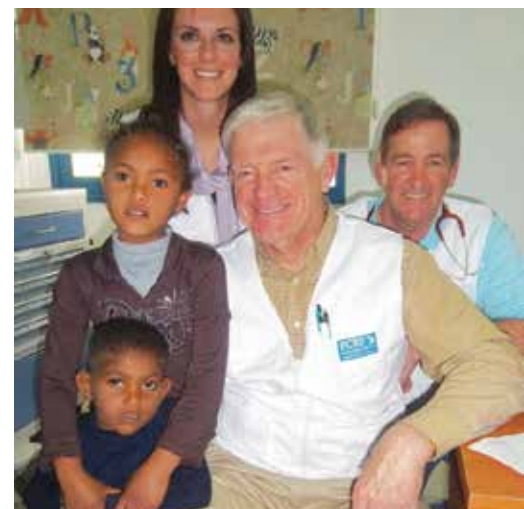
March

Orthopedic Hand Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Christophe Oberlin, Dr. Christophe Denetes
Location:	Shifa Hospital, Gaza
Date:	March 4 - 9
The number of patients treated:	21
The number of patients screened:	47

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Randy Smith, Dr. Chip Story, Rebecca Smith
Location:	Ramallah Hospital
Date:	March 3 - 9
The number of patients treated:	33
The number of patients screened:	92





March

Maxillofacial Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Khaled Abughazaleh, Dr. Juan Carlos Lopez, Dr. Fernando Sandoval, Dr. Paul Meyer and Dr. Yaser Wafai
Location:	Shifa Hospital
Date:	March 8 - 13
The number of patients treated:	20
The number of patients screened:	34

General Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Steven Untracht
Location:	Beit Jala Hospital
Date:	March 13 - 23
The number of patients treated:	8
The number of patients screened:	26

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Prof. Dominique Le Nen, Dr. Francois Picart, Paulette Fauche, Dr. Nathalie Kerfant
Location:	Jenin Hospital
Date:	March 16-21
The number of patients treated:	16
The number of patients screened:	52





April

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:

Dr. Vincenzo Stefano Luisi, Dr. Vivian Bader, Dr. Hasan Ismail, Dr. Paolo Del Sarto, Dr. Piergiorgio Setti, Dr. Simonetta Maghelli, Rossana Vinciguerra, Kristin Hopper, Dolfi Giuseppina, Jermaine Gibson

Location:

European Gaza Hospital

Date:

April 7 - 18

The number of patients treated:

13

The number of patients screened:

18



April

Pediatric Cardiology

Team members:	Dr. Ziad Saba
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	April 11-7
The number of patients treated:	17
The number of patients screened:	19

Pediatric Urology

Team members:	Dr. Sakti Das
Location:	Al Aqsa Hospital/Deir el Balah, Gaza
Date:	April 11-7
The number of patients treated:	11
The number of patients screened:	29

General Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Andrea Carobbi
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	April 30-28
The number of patients treated:	8
The number of patients screened:	10

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Pietro Massei, Dr. Pagnini Daniel
Location:	Nasser Hospital, Gaza
Date:	April 28-30
The number of patients treated:	9
The number of patients screened:	22



April

Orthopedic Evaluation mission

Name:	Dr. Hugh Watts
Location:	West Bank/Gaza
Date:	April 5-10
The number of patients screened:	41

Urological Oncological Surgery

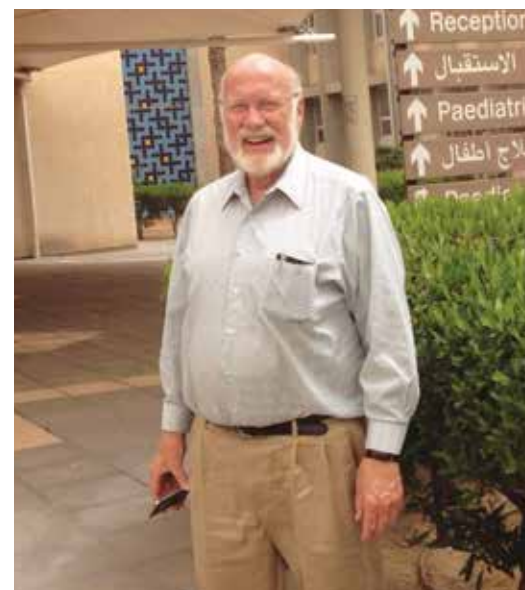
Team members:	Dr. Waleed Hasan, Dr. Sandeep Parsad
Location:	Beit Jala Hospital
Date:	April 7-12
The number of patients treated:	11
The number of patients screened:	20

International Volunteers in Urology

Team members:	Dr. Scott Eggener, Dr. Brad Erickson, Dr. Joel DeCastro
Location:	Alia Hospital - Hebron
Date:	April 7-12
The number of patients treated:	23
The number of patients screened:	50

Pediatric Urology

Team members:	Dr. Jenny Lassmann, Dr. Samir Abdo, Dr. Kristen Chrouser
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	April 7-12
The number of patients treated:	20
The number of patients screened:	32





April

Pediatric Surgery

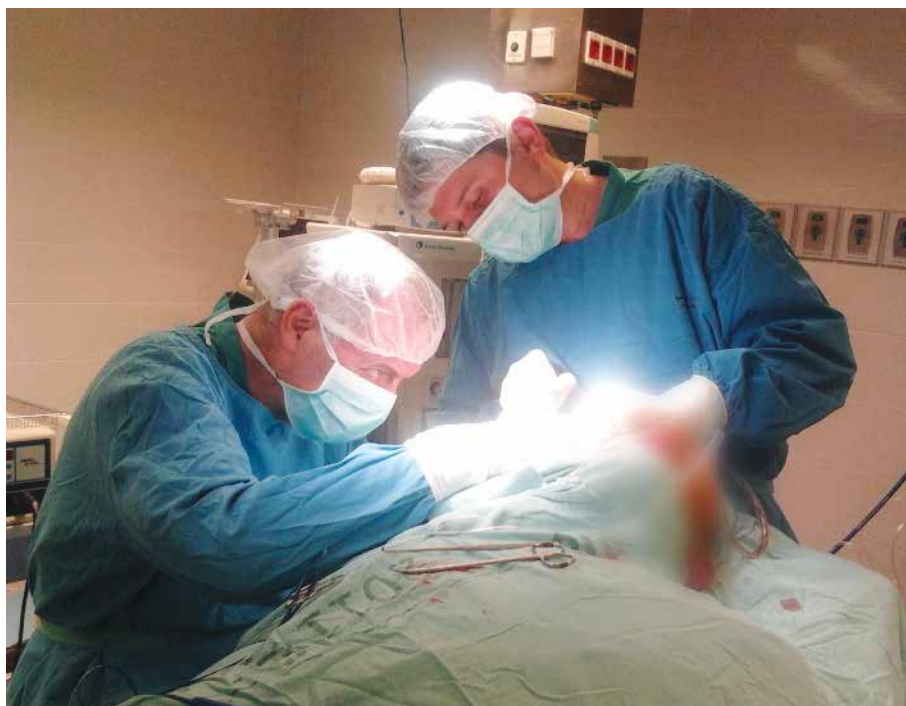
Team members:	Dr. Saad Saad, Dr. Khaled Morsi
Location:	Ramallah Hospital
Date:	April 12-18
The number of patients treated:	12
The number of patients screened:	45

General Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Andrea Carobbi, Dr. Maria Rosa Paolini
Location:	Rafidia Hospital- Nablus
Date:	April 24-29,
The number of patients treated:	5
The number of patients screened:	10

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Pietro Massei, Dr. Daniel Pagnini
Location:	Rafidia Hospital
Date:	April 24-29,
The number of patients treated:	14
The number of patients screened:	51



May

Pediatric Cardiology

Team members	Prof. Ra-id Abdulla
Location:	El-Rantisy Hospital, Gaza City
Date:	May 22-24
The number of Patients Screened	33

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Diachi Morioka, Dr. Piet Paul Bekaert
Location:	Nasser Hospital - Gaza
Date:	May 20-25
The number of patients treated:	20
The number of patients screened:	44

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Walter Kunzi, Dr. Johannes Kuttenger, Dr. Natasha Forster, Kathrin Sculze, Mirjana Keva-Dokic
Location:	Nasser Hospital - Gaza
Date:	May 12-18
The number of patients treated:	31
The number of patients screened:	80

Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Imad Tabry
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	May 11-16
The number of patients treated:	11
The number of patients screened:	18





May

Pediatric Urology

Team members:	Dr. Jose Antonio Sepulveda, Keith Denning
Location:	Al Aqsa Hospital - Deir El Balah/Gaza
Date:	May 5-9
The number of patients treated:	20
The number of patients screened:	33

Pediatric Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Renato Acuna, Dr. Paulo Joel Carrasco, José Luis Juan Jose Fuentes
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	May 5-9
The number of patients treated:	18
The number of patients screened:	23

Ophthalmic Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Amal Alsayyad
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	May 5-9
The number of patients treated:	10
The number of patients screened:	24

Ophthalmic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Francis Nathan, Dr. Robert Jule
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	May 5-9
The number of patients treated:	51
The number of patients screened:	51



May

Maxillofacial Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Khaled Abughazaleh, Dr. Fernando Sandoval Jr., Dr. Fernando Sandoval, Dr. Hussein Abu Khudair
Location:	Salfeet Hospital
Date:	May 11-16
The number of patients treated:	39
The number of patients screened:	105

Pediatric Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Renato Acuna, Dr. Paulo Joel Carrasco, José Luis Juan Jose Fuentes
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	May 11-16
The number of patients treated:	26
The number of patients screened:	35

Pediatric Urology

Team members:	Dr. Jose Antonio Sepulveda, Keith Denning
Location:	Rafidia Hospital
Date:	May 11-16
The number of patients treated:	29
The number of patients screened:	55





June

Pediatric Urology

Team members:	Dr. Joseph Kuntze, Holly Thorson
Location:	Al Aqsa hospital, Gaza, Thabet Thabet Hospital, Tulkarem
Date:	June 9-13 in Gaza, June 15-20 in Tulkarem
The number of patients treated:	18 in Gaza, 30 in Tulkarem
The number of patients screened:	40 in Gaza, 52 in Tulkarem

Hand Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Manuel Mendez, Dr. Pamela Vergara Isabel Garcia, Dr. Andrés Eduardo Leiva Ravanal
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	June 9-13
The number of patients treated:	13
The number of patients screened:	39

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Roberto Raimann, Dr. Felipe Andrés Hodgson Ovalle, Dr. Claudio Arturo Ricke Siegmund, Gabriela Andrea Villagra Peredo
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	June 9-13
The number of patients treated:	15
The number of patients screened:	46



June

Pediatric Cardiology

Team members:	Prof. Alain Chantepie
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	June 15-20
The number of patients treated:	14
The number of patients screened:	19

ENT/Cleft lip and palate surgery

Team members:	Dr. Mark Ray, Dr. Lori Justice, Lisa Graves, Micheal Gray
Location:	Nasser Hospital - Gaza
Date:	June 16-20
The number of patients treated:	16
The number of patients screened:	22

Pediatric Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Mohammed El Sherbini, Dr. Mohammed Islam, Holly Thorson
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	June 16-20
The number of patients treated:	18
The number of patients screened:	30

Pediatric Neurosurgery

Team members:	Dr. Alex Zouros, Dr. Sarah Joanna Cano, Dr. Justin Horricks, Dr. Esther Kim
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	June 30- July 4
The number of patients treated:	8
The number of patients screened:	40





June

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Alan Kerr, Christine Armstrong, Dr. David Buckley, Dr. John Beca, Nicola Gini, Tom Hick, Dr. Tom Gentles, Warren Nairn, Carsten Zpof, Bronwen Cleugh
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	June 25 - July 7
The number of patients treated:	12
The number of patients screened:	38

Orthopedic Hand Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Christophe Oberlin, Dr. Asan Rafee, Dr. Christophe Denetes
Location:	Shifa Hospital - Gaza
Date:	June 25 - July 7
The number of patients treated:	18
The number of patients screened:	34

Hand Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Idris Gharbaoui, Dr. Bader Al-Gussein, Irene Abdo, Dr. Paul Meyer, Tiffany Zachreson, Zorayda Arriaga
Location:	Ramallah Hospital
Date:	June 29 - July 4
The number of patients treated:	33
The number of patients screened:	45



June

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Greg Stocks, Joanne Woodrow, Amal Jubran, Dr. Ulysses Edmonds, Omar Stocks
Location:	Ramallah Hospital
Date:	29 June - 4 July
The number of patients treated:	15
The number of patients screened:	40

Pediatric Dental Mission

Team members:	Dr. Bilal Saib, Dr. Renna Hazboun
Location:	Thabit Thabit Hospital, Tulkarem
Date:	June 22-29
The number of patients treated:	24
The number of patients screened:	75

Hand Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Jose Monsivais, Dr. Kevin Healy
Location:	Salfeet Hospital
Date:	June 29- July 5
The number of patients treated:	16
The number of patients screened:	52





August

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Tim Keenan, Matilda Forward
Location:	Rafidia Hospital- Nablus
Date:	August 26 - September 3
The number of patients treated:	34
The number of patients screened:	86



September

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Diachi Marioka
Location:	Thabit Thabit Hospital, Tulkarem
Date:	September 3 - 8
The number of patients treated:	22
The number of patients screened:	86

October

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Veronica Abdala, Dr. Maria Veronica Herrera, Dr. Paloma Domancic
Location:	Al-Kuwaiti Hopital Ramallah, & European Gaza Hospital
Date:	October 5-10 Ramallah, 10-14 in Gaza
The number of patients treated:	23
The number of patients screened:	100



October

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Mark Moore, Dr. Stephen Kinnear
Location:	Al-Bahraini Hospital - Ramallah
Date:	October 5 -10
The number of patients treated:	22
The number of patients screened:	67

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Vincenzo Luisi, Dr. Marco Tiddia, Dr. Paolo Del Sarto, Dr. Giuseppina Dolfi, Piergiorgio Setti, Simonetta Maghelli, Dr. Hasan Ismail, Dr. Alessandro Napoleone, Corrado Tramontin
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	October 4 -15
The number of patients treated:	8
The number of patients screened:	20

Child Sponsorship Pediatric Screening

Team members:	Dr. Barbara Preston, Katherine Brown
Location:	West Bank and Gaza Strip
Date:	20-10-2013 to 1-11-2013
The number of patients treated:	180

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Adil Husain, Dr. Jay Frederick Fricker, Joshua Barrett Campbell, Roozbeh Taeed, Dr. Gary Thomas Werner, Michelle Meyer, Cindy Eckhardt, Kholoud Nassar, Minnette Townes Son, Cathy Schap Woodward
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	October 10 - 17
The number of patients treated:	10
The number of patients screened:	20





October

Maxillofacial Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Khaled Abughazaleh, Dr. Fernando Sandoval, Dr. Rafael Ruiz Rodriguez, Dr. Yasser Wafai, Dr. Paul Meyer, Dr. Ruba Khader, Dr. Sterling Card, Dr. Samia Khader
Location:	Shifa Hospital, Gaza & Salfeet Hospital
Date:	October 29 to November 10
The number of patients treated:	45
The number of patients screened:	85

General Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Steven H. Untracht
Location:	European Gaza Hospital and Rafidia Hospital Nablus
Date:	October 26 to November 27
The number of patients treated:	44
The number of patients screened:	105

Pediatric Urology

Team members:	Dr. John Gazak, Dr. Kevin Healy, Teresa Bubb
Location:	Shifa Hospital
Date:	October 31 to November 9
The number of patients treated:	25
The number of patients screened:	50



November

Pediatric Dental Mission

Team members:	Dr. Daniel Ravel
Location:	Al Hamshiry Hospital, Sidon, Lebanon
Date:	November 2 to 16
The number of patients treated:	31
The number of patients screened:	68

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Nahidh Hasaniya, Karen Sue Cotterill, Georgeta Marin, Dr. Aijaz Hashmi, Dr. Shamel A. Abd-Allah, Dr. Teimour Nasirov, Asma Taha
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	November 1 - 8
The number of patients treated:	10
The number of patients screened:	22

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Enrico Robotti, Dr. Alberto Benigni, Dr. Bernardo Righi, Elisabetta Piazzalunga, Yvette Godwin
Location:	Nasser Hospital, Gaza
Date:	November 2 - 11
The number of patients treated:	26
The number of patients screened:	30





November

Pediatric Neurosurgery

Team members:	Dr. Lorenzo Genitori, Vergna Simona-Ietizia, Dr. Vannini-Federico Mussa, Francesca Rossetti
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	November 2 - 11
The number of patients treated:	10
The number of patients screened:	25

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Walid Yassir
Location:	Ramallah Hospital
Date:	November 3 - 11
The number of patients treated:	10
The number of patients screened:	16

Maxillofacial Surgery

Team members:	Dr. María de los Ángeles Fernández Toro, Dr. Patricio Rojas Campos, Dr. Marcelo Mar-dones Muñoz, Dr. Juan Pablo Álvarez Arenas
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	November 3 - 9
The number of patients treated:	12
The number of patients screened:	26



November

Orthopedic Hand Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Christophe Oberlin, Dr. Christophe Denetes
Location:	Shifa Hospital - Gaza
Date:	November 8 - 18
The number of patients treated:	15
The number of patients screened:	40

Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Vipul Dev, Dr. Kevin Healy, Dr. Marcelo Hiroshi
Location:	Ramallah Hospital
Date:	November 9 - 17
The number of patients treated:	36
The number of patients screened:	48

Orthopedic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Marc Sinclair, Gillian Beale, Kate McAvoy, Ruth Tova Kellow, Seonaid Biagioni, Dr. Samir Abdo
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	November 14- 24
The number of patients treated:	23
The number of patients screened:	65





November

Opthalmic Plastic Surgery

Team members:	Dr Amal Al-Sayyed
Location:	Rafedia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	November 20-25
The number of patients treated:	16 cases
The number of patients screened:	58 cases

Opthalmic Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Francis Nathan, Ann Corcoran
Location:	Rafidia Hospital - Nablus
Date:	November 23- 28
The number of patients treated:	46

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Giancarlo Crupi, Dr. Lorenzo Grazioli, Dr. Stefano Luisi, Dr. Lorenzo Grazioli, Agata Gregis, Marta Gustinetti, Viviana Macchitelli, Silvana Crisci, Fabiola Cortinovis, Innocenzo Bianca and Dr. Dario Salvo.
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	November 21-28
The number of patients treated:	6
The number of patients screened:	11



November

Pediatric Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Abdulla Zarroug and Dr. Angela Hanna
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	November 23 - 30
The number of patients treated:	8
The number of patients screened:	59

Orthopedic Spine Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Ahmad Nassr, Greg Geller and Jamal Abu Shamala
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	November 23 - 30
The number of patients treated:	13
The number of patients screened:	30

Pulmonary Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Lorenzo Mirabile and Dr. Roberto Baggi
Location:	Makassed Hospital, Jerusalem
Date:	28 Nov - 2 Dec
The number of patients treated:	10
The number of patients screened:	24



December

Pediatric Cardiac Surgery

Team members:	Dr. Thierry Bove, Dr. Joseph Panzer, Dr. Hassan Ismail, Korneel Vandewiele, Dr. Ingrid Herck, Tom Watte, Fabienne Van Lierde, Virginie Coppieters, and Nele Dussart.
Location:	European Gaza Hospital
Date:	December 5 - 15
The number of patients treated:	9
The number of patients screened:	16





December

Pediatric Dental Mission

Team members:	Dr. Sahar Alrayyes, Dr. Suzi Azhari
Location:	Beit Jala Hospital
Date:	December 26-31
The number of patients treated:	16
The number of patients screened:	29

Orthopedic Mission

Team members:	Dr. Tim Kennan
Location:	Rafidiah Hospital - Nablus
Date:	December 26-31
The number of patients treated:	8
The number of patients screened:	27



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Special Thanks to The SmileTrain

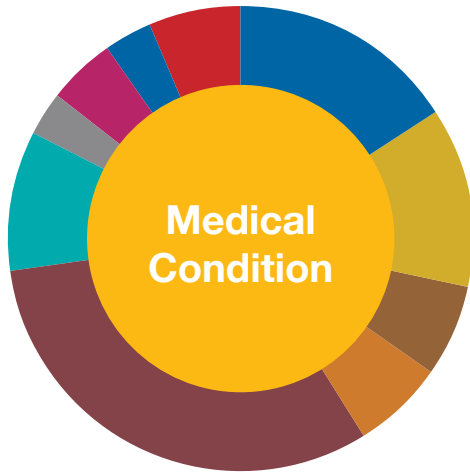
The PCRF in 2013 continued our proud partnership with The Smile Train, enabling comprehensive services to babies born with cleft lip and palate. These services include parent education, distribution of feeding bottles, psychological help and support, as well as primary surgical repair, speech therapy, in addition to dental and orthodontic treatment.



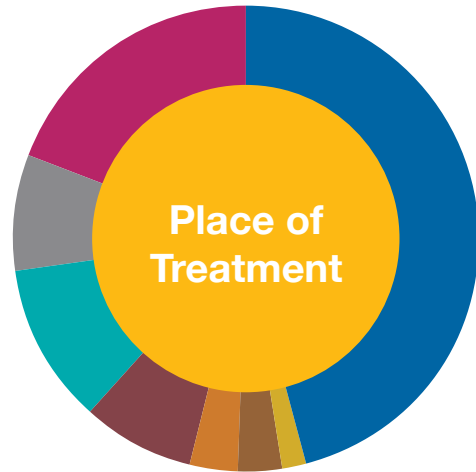
Children Treated Abroad

The PCRF was established in 1991 to provide free medical care abroad for injured Palestinian children. In 2013, we continued to send kids outside of their country for millions of dollars worth of free medical care that they could not get in their countries, while at the same time providing treatment for many locally, when able. We also were able to provide many injured Syrian kids medical care, in addition to the dozens of Palestinians who continue to be cared for by this program.

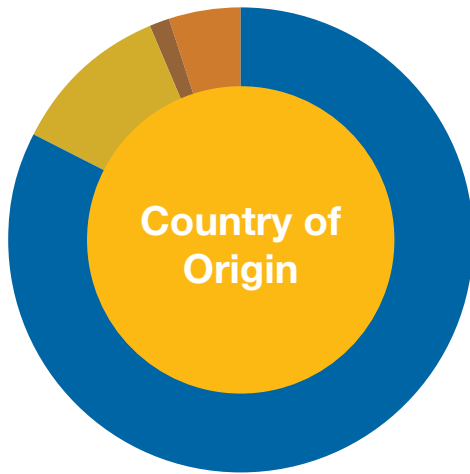
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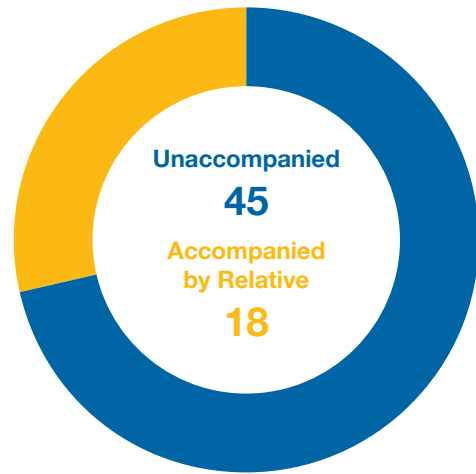
Orthopedic 10 - Plastic/Reconstructive 8 - Neuro 4
 Cardiac 4 - Prosthetic 20 - Urological 6 - Ocular 2
 Spinal 3 - Other Surgical 2 - Non Surgical 4
Total Number of Cases 63



USA 29 - Canada 1 - Europe 2 - Turkey 2 - UAE 5
 Jordan 7 - Lebanon 5 - Jerusalem 12
Total Cases Treated 63



Palestine 52 - Syria 7 - Jordan 1 - Iraq 3
Total 63





Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Doa's Al Abaeat	15	Ramallah	Bilateral Hip Replacement	Dubai, UAE	Dr. Chris Whately
Shayma Hamid	1	Iraq	Cardiac Surgery	London, UK	Dr. Victor Tsang
Osama Assi	14	Salfeet	Left Leg Prosthesis	Atlanta, GA	Will Holbrook
Moath Abu Taher	12	Deir El Balah RC/Gaza	Right Leg Prosthesis	Dearborn, MI	Wright & Fillippis
Yaqin Ofi	9	Tulkaram	Ureteroneocystostomy	Turkey	Dr. Haluk Emir & Dr. Mehmet Eliçevik
Abrar Abu Awad	7	Gaza	Bilateral Ureteroneocystostomy	Turkey	Dr. Ihsan Karaman
Naji Al Taweel	11	Hebron	Neurogenic Bladder	Sharjah, UAE	Sharjah University/SYS
Anaghiem Ghanem	11	Gaza	Socket Reconstruction	Dubai, UAE	Moorfields Eye Hospital
Rimas Shallouf	2	Rafah RC/Gaza	Tibial Hemimelia	Los Angeles, CA	The Shriners Hospital
Lamees Shallouf	2	Rafah RC/Gaza	Tibial Hemimelia	Los Angeles, CA	The Shriners Hospital

January





February, March, April

Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Fatima Taaban	17	Nuseirat RC/Gaza	Congenital Scoliosis	Dallas, TX	Scottish Rite Hospital
Abrar Allaham	7	Gaza	Reconstructive Surgery	Boston, MA	The Shriners Hospital
Roni Hashash	15	Nablus	Plastic Hand and Body Reconstructive Surgery	Boston, MA	The Shriners Hospital
Fatima Asafra	18	Hebron	Hip Replacement	Houston, TX	Texas Orthopedic Hospital
Mohammed Al Jamous	14	Syria	Left Leg Prosthesis	Houston, TX	Dr. Brock
Ayad Sony	3	Iraq	Bilateral Club Foot Release and Cuboid Osteotomies	Toronto, Canada	Hospital for Sick Kids
Assil Al Saydeh	5	Ein El Hilwa RC/Sidon	Cardiac Surgery	Beirut	American University Hospital
Nada Abed Aljabar	16	Tulkaram	Urological Reconstructive Surgery	San Luis Obispo, CA	Dr. Joe Kuntze
Limmar Al Hindi	2.5	Yarmouk RC/Syria	Chemotherapy	Sidon	Rafik Al Hariri Hospital





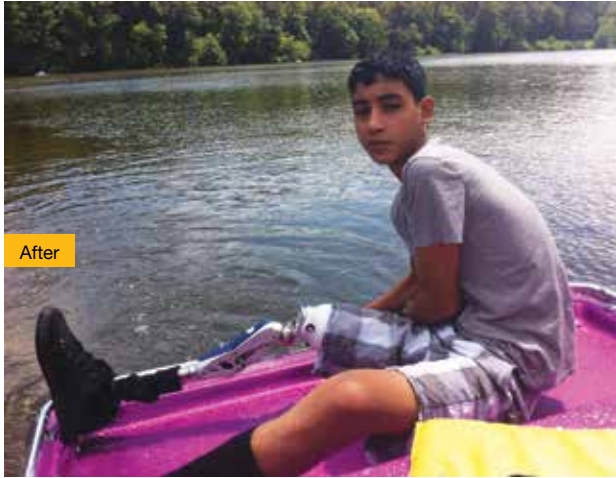
Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Fulla Aldery	12	Gaza	Orthopedic Spinal Surgery	Philadelphia, PA	The Shriners Hospital
Mayar Tajeddin	1	Syria	Esophageal Atresia	Cincinnati, OH	Children's Hospital
Hassan Nada	16	Yarmouk RC/Syria	Reconstructive Surgery	Beirut/Lebanon	Dr. Ghassan Abu-Sitta
Mohammad Mansour	14	Yarmouk RC/Syria	Neurosurgery	Beirut/Lebanon	American University Hospital
Ghozlan Ghassan	7	Syria	Neurosurgery	Amman/Jordan	The Palestine Hospital
Ibrahim Mohamed	12	Syria	Spine Surgery	Amman/Jordan	The Palestine Hospital
Rashad Alem	4	Aqbat Jaber RC/Jericho	Orthopedic Surgery	Dubai, UAE	Little Wings Foundation

May





Before



After



June

Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Rawan Mubarak	9	Syria	Prosthetic Arm	Cincinnati, OH	Children's Hospital
Abdallah Alathamna	14	Beit Hanoun/Gaza	Prosthetic Leg	Oakland, CA	Tony LaFrance
Ahmed Abu Namous	15	Jebalya RC/Gaza	Prosthetic Leg	Canton, OH	Yanke Bionics
Qussai Abedalaziz	12	Tulkaram	Orthopedic Surgery	Chicago, IL	The Shriners Hospital
Sameh Abdulkasneh	18	Tulkaram	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	



Before



After



Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Dawoud Abuarmana	12	Maghazi RC/Gaza	Reconstructive Surgery	Cleveland, OH	The Cleveland Clinic
Mohammed Salem	12	Tubas	Reconstructive Surgery	Cincinnati, OH	The Shriners Hospital
Bayan Alrahman	16	Jordan	Heart Surgery	Dallas, TX	Baylor University Hospital
Ghadeer Altiti	16	Hebron	Reconstructive Surgery	Dubai, UAE	Dr. Carole Azzam
Inas AbuJuhasha	14	Hebron	Hip Surgery	Los Angeles, CA	The Shriners Hospital
Walid Sudqi	17	Tulkaram	Hip Surgery	Los Angeles, CA	The Shriners Hospital
Yousef Asfour	18	Hebron	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	
Mohammed Azar	19	Nabulus	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	

July





August, September

Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Aya Aqra	15	Nablus	Prosthetic Leg	Houston, TX	The Shriners Hospital
Anas Jubeha	18	Tulkarem	Prosthetic Arm	Jerusalem	
Ahmed Yousef	16	Tubas	Prosthetic Arm	Jerusalem	
Mohammed Sawaftah	16	Tubas	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	
Nouraldin Yaseen	18 m	Jenin	Bladder Surgery	New Jersey	Dr. Muneer Hanna
Tartil Aljobah	6	Hebron	Reconstructive Surgery	Sacramento, CA	The Shriners Hospital
Yousra Abushehada	2.5	Maghazi RC/Gaza	Prosthetic Eye	San Diego, CA	Mr. Kohlberg
Nayean Radad	19	Tulkarem	Prosthetic Arm	Jerusalem	
Saif Jaber	15	Nablus	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	





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Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Shahid Al Hariri	3 m	Syria	Nuerosurgery	Amman/Jordan	The Palestine Hospital
Raneen Qasem	8	Palestine	Orthopedic- Casting	Amman/Jordan	Dr. Akram Al Shoubaki
Dena Jodah	18	Tulkarem	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	
Mohammed Qadeh	10	Ramallah	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	
Ahmed Abed Al-Aziz	15	Jenin	Prothetic Arm	Jerusalem	

October





November, December

Child's Name	Age	Home	Treatment	Treatment Location	Treated By
Nasrallah Nassar	13	Hebron	Reconstructive Surgery	Ann Arbor, MI	University of Michigan Hospital
Sarah Kheshow	18 m	Syria/Jordan	Cardiac Surgery	Bergamo, Italy	Gift of Life Italy
Eman Ajrab	14	Ramallah	Prosthetic Arm	New York, NY	Tim Evans
Mohammed Al Zaro	6	Hebron	Bladder Surgery	Baltimore, MD	Dr. Gearhart
Sabrin Al Shoubaki	17	Palestinian	General Surgery	Amman/Jordan	Dr. Muath Smadi
Mohammad Na'ami	3	Palestinian	Orthopedic- Casting	Amman/Jordan	Dr. Akram Al Shoubaki
Rula Fatafta	21	Hebron	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	
Yasmeen Najjar	17	Nablus	Prosthetic Leg	Jerusalem	
Hadi Abukhadra	6	Tulkaram	Orthopedic Surgery	Bay Area, CA	Stanford Hospital
Amira Echteiwi	2	Nahr Al Barid RC/ Lebanon	IVIG	Beirut/Lebanon	Islamic hospital
Abdeljalil Al Hariri	14	Syria	Urological Surgery	Amman/Jordan	Dr. Nabil Hamati
Dilan Khodor	22	Iraq	Nuerosurgery	Amman/Jordan	The Palestine Hospital





Humanitarian Relief

In addition to providing surgery for children inside their countries or sending them abroad, the PCRF also supports many humanitarian projects on the ground in Palestine and Lebanon to help improve the lives of the most marginalized and neglected populations. These projects focus on specific needs and problems in certain communities, and help to address medical and social weaknesses that otherwise would go unaddressed.

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Name of Project	Date	N° of Children Helped	Partner
Gaza Milk Distribution	January	70	
Winter clothes distribution in Gaza	January	300	
Eyeglasses distribution in Gaza	February	50	
Relief Project for Palestinians and Syrians in Lebanon	February	80	
Shoe Distribution in Gaza	April	1100	ANERA
Ramadan Food Distribution Gaza	July	224	
School Bag Distribution Gaza	August	150	
Shoe Distribution Gaza	August	1724	
Summer Camp Gaza	August	72	
Clothes Distribution for Eid el Adha in Lebanon	October	59	
Human Call Association Hospital Refurbished Lebanon	October		Gulf 4 Good
Hygiene Kits Distribution West Bank	December	3000	Mormon University
Inhalation Set Distribution Gaza	December	35	





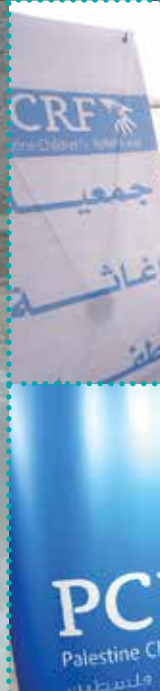
Wheelchair Shipments: Gaza and Lebanon

In November, the PCRF shipped two 40-foot containers of quality pediatric specialized wheelchairs to disabled youths in the refugee camps of Lebanon and besieged Gaza. We have shipped thousands of chairs over the past decade to needy children in the Middle East, partnering with Hope Haven International and Wheels of Hope, two USA-based groups. We also partner with ANERA and UNRWA to ensure that we get the chairs into these countries. Our volunteers, Tom Glumac, Greg Skolaski and Eva Ma, work very hard to ensure that each child in need gets the chair that they require.



Monthly and One-Time Child Sponsorship Program

Over three hundred children each month get medical supplies and support through our monthly child sponsorship program, linking donors abroad with children in need. We also launched a new one-time sponsorship program for kids in the Middle East who need only support one time to overcome their medical needs. Everyone of the nearly seventy children who we asked for sponsorship for in 2013 were supported.







The Huda Al Masri Pediatric Cancer Dept.

Following the death in 2009 of Huda Al Masri from leukemia, a founding member and head social worker, the PCRF dedicated itself to building the first and only public pediatric cancer department in Palestine. "The Huda Al Masri Pediatric Cancer Department" in Beit Jala Hospital opened in April to provide expert care for children from all over Palestine in order to save lives and lessen the suffering of hundreds of children. We sponsor training for the staff, support medical missions to the department, and provide social support for patients and their families to ensure that every child gets the best care possible.

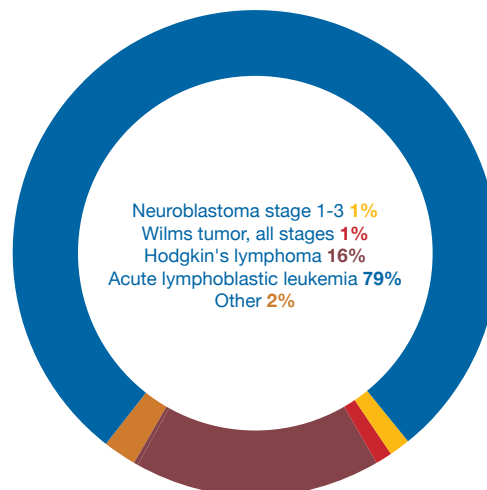


For the eight months after we opened the department in April, hundreds of children from all over Palestine were admitted to the Huda Al Masri Pediatric Cancer Department, either as in-patient or out-patient. Here are some statistics of the types of cancer that was provided.

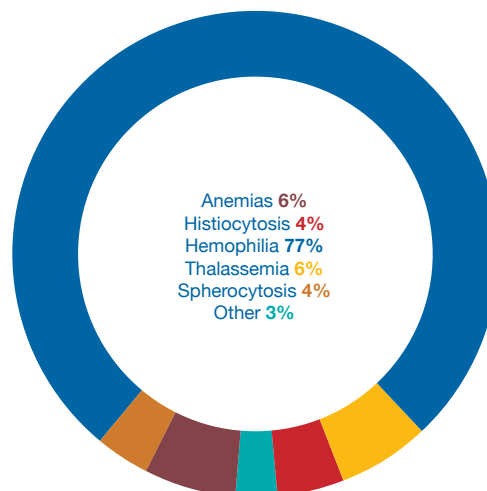


Disease Type

Malignant



Benign





On April 6th, 2013, Jenna Sosebee, the 6 year old daughter of Huda Al Masri, cut the ribbon of the new department in the presence of Her Highness Princess Dina Mired, from the King Hussein Cancer Foundation to support the department's grand opening. After two long years of fundraising and construction through the efforts of the PCRf, the department received its first patients.



As part of the PCRf social support program, we host birthday parties for children who are undergoing treatment during that special day. Entertainment, provided by the clowns of Red Noses, brings joy and laughter during the children's long treatments. Volunteers from all over the world also visit and help bring smiles to the faces of the children.



The PCRf is committed to support the staff in the department for it is their dedication and hard work that provides excellent care to these young patients. We will ensure that these nurses and doctors, who work under stressful and difficult circumstances, know they are appreciated.



In November, PA President Mahmoud Abass visited the patients in the department and presented them with gifts. He was impressed that a department with such high standards and infrastructure was serving children in the Palestinian health care sector and thanked the supporters of the PCRF for making it possible to treat children with cancer in Palestine, saving lives and millions of public dollars.



Thanks to a generous grant from Dr. George and Karen Longstreth of San Diego, we built an amazing playroom, enabling sick children undergoing treatment in the department a place for play and fun with family and volunteers.



Without the generous support of our primary donors, acknowledged at the entrance of the department, we would not have been able to build the largest, privately funded program within the Ministry of Health in Palestine. We thank all of them for making the Huda Al Masri Pediatric Cancer Department a reality.

Medical Missions to the Department

To ensure that the hospital staff in the department have the support and training needed to give our children the best care possible, we sponsored several volunteer teams of specialists from all over the world in 2013.



University of Stanford, Pediatric Mental Health Specialist

Team member Dr. Bahar Hashemi

Date 1st to 30th of May



University of Cincinnati Pediatric Oncology

Team members Dr. Robert W. French
Dr. Michail Albsalon

Date 21st to 26th of September

Pediatric Cardiology

Team member Dr. Mike Cooper

Date 2nd to 9th of November





Meyer Pediatric Hospital in Florence, Italy

Team member Dr. Alessandro Dini
Pediatrician

Date 7th to 19th of November



Children's Mercy Hospital. Kansas City, MO USA

Team members Prof. Mohamad Radhi
Head of the Transplant Department

Margret Amanda August
Pharmacist

Christine Symes
Oncology Nurse

Cathy Burks
Clinical Nurse Specialist in Hematology

Mary Williams
Oncology Nurse

Date 9th to 14th of December



Special Events

The PCRF's success in helping to save the lives of hundreds of children each year in the Middle East, plus its sponsored operations and treatment of thousands more, is due to the hard work and tremendous support shown by volunteers worldwide who climb mountains, run marathons, take initiative and promote special events to raise funds and awareness needed to support our humanitarian relief work.

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Climbing for Hope

In May, Henry Saliba and Afif Khawly, climbed two classic alpine climbs - the Matterhorn and the north face of the Tour Ronde in France. The two Lebanese mountaineers were sponsored by ARAMAX and were able to raise nearly \$15,000 to support the medical care of children in the Levant.





In October, dozens of volunteers from Cycling 4 Gaza rode from Hamburg to Berlin to begin a two-year project called Reach Gaza, supporting the PCRF's efforts to provide medical care thousands of children in the besieged Gaza Strip. The group raised \$250,000 to sponsor medical teams in the latter part of 2013. Already hundreds of children in Gaza have had care thanks to their support.

World Rally Team

The PCRF would like to thank Rami Jaber and RNG Rami Racing World Rally Team for putting the PCRF Logo on his GT Radial Ford for the World Rally Championship. Rami is a Palestinian champion racer who will be in the WRC (World Rally Championship), the MERC (Middle East Racing Championship), and three movies in Paris/Barcelona/Greece in 2014.



Visit to the Detroit Pistons

In February, the Detroit Pistons of the NBA invited PCRF amputee from Gaza, Muath Abu Harbeed, to visit the team before a game at The Palace and to meet some players. Here guard Will Bynam makes Muath feel welcome as the boy learned to walk again through the hard work of the PCRF Chapter in Detroit.



Healing Hearts Journey

In the Spring of 2013, UAE-based Britton Richard Mitchell rode a motorbike from Dubai to the United Kingdom to raise funds and awareness for the new pediatric cardiac surgery program being built in the European Gaza Hospital in Khan Younis. His trip covered thousands of kilometers and took weeks to complete, raising over \$150,000 to enable the purchasing of materials and equipment for the program.



Team Palestine

One of our most active groups running marathons and other events is Team Palestine for the PCRF. The Chicago-based group organized volunteers to run and raise funds in the Chicago Marathon, as well as hosting their own annual events to support the relief efforts of the PCRF in providing medical care for sick and injured kids. Over \$55,000 was raised in 2013 by the group in support of our humanitarian efforts.





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Budget 2014

As a four-star (highest) rated organization by Charity Navigator, we take your support and tax-deductible contributions seriously and understand that you expect us to maximize this support by using the most efficient, effective and transparent methods possible. Our budget for the following year will enable us to treat thousands of sick and injured children who otherwise would not get the care that they need locally, as well as train local healthcare providers and to improve the quality of care throughout the healthcare system in Palestine.

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Program Expense Fundraising Budget for 2014

100 Volunteer Medical Missions	Volunteers Airfare	\$ 323000
	Local Transportation	\$ 83800
	Volunteers Lodging	\$ 125000
	Medical Supplies	\$ 316000
	Total	\$ 847800
Humanitarian Projects	Embroidery Program	\$ 20000
	Eye Glasses Clinic	\$ 10000
	Misc. Urgent Relief	\$ 10000
	Summer Camps	\$ 19000
	2 Wheelchair Distributions	\$ 80000
	Total	\$ 139000
Children Treatment Abroad	Medical Care for injured children	\$ 250000
	Children's Visas	\$ 5100
	Plane tickets	\$ 100000
	Total	\$ 355100
Total Program Expenses		\$ 1,341,900



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Humanitarian Spirit Award

In 2013, the Southern California chapter of the PCRf awarded pediatric cardiac surgeon Dr. Stefano Luisi from Massa/Carrara in Tuscany, Italy the third annual award named after the late social worker who helped build the organization for 17 years before passing away from cancer in July, 2009. Dr. Luisi is the President of the International Palestinian Cardiac Relief Organization (IPCRO) of the PCRf, and has led over twenty volunteer surgery missions since 2007 to Palestine, saving the lives of hundreds of children from all over the occupied territories. He also is leading the program to build the pediatric cardiac surgery program at the European Gaza Hospital in Khan Younis through the PCRf, and has treated several children for free in Italy from the Middle East, before retiring a year ago.

Previous winners:

2010: Dr. Hugh Watts

2011: Asma Taha

2012: Lulu Emery



Pediatric Cardiac Surgery in Gaza

In April, a day after the opening of the Huda Al Masri Pediatric Cancer Dept. in Beit Jala, the first team of doctors and nurses crossed into the Gaza Strip to start providing pediatric cardiac surgery at the European Gaza Hospital in Khan Younis. There are over three hundred babies a year born in Gaza with heart defects, many who cannot get the care that they need locally because they are unable to travel outside for surgery. The PCRF is bringing teams to operate on them and to train local staff in an effort to build a department for surgery. Overseeing this program is the International Palestinian Cardiac Relief Organization (IPCRO), which was established nearly ten years ago by the PCRF to serve as the main consulting arm for this program. Since 1999, volunteers from all over the world have been coming to Palestine through the PCRF to do open-heart surgery, saving the lives of thousands of children. We thank our doctors and nurses for giving their time and energy to provide this humanitarian service.



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Dr. Alain Chantepie - June 20-15

New Zealand Surgery team

Led by Dr. Alan Kerr - June 26 - July 7

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USA Surgery Team

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