



CHRONICLE OF APRIL 2025 CARING

ROOTED IN SERVICE, GROWING
GLOBAL IMPACT

This month, Medical Bridges celebrated the power of community—from volunteers lending their hands to international friends honoring our mission.

As Earth Day reminds us of our shared responsibility, we're inspired by the collective efforts to heal both people and planet. From local action to global dialogue at this month's Global Forum, your support fuels a movement that transcends borders.

BRIDGING THE HEALTHCARE GAP

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IMPACT REPORT

TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE IN NEPAL: A POWERFUL PARTNERSHIP IN ACTION

Helping Hand for Relief and Development (HHRD) recently completed its Nepal In-Kind Gift Program, delivering \$419,104 worth of medical equipment and supplies shipped by Medical Bridges.

13 hospitals across Jhapa, Mahottari, Siraha, Sarlahi, and Chitwan are now better equipped to serve over **54,800 people each month** — including seniors, pregnant women, and individuals with disabilities.



DELIVERING HOPE TO 16 HOSPITALS IN UKRAINE

In the first quarter of 2025, Medical Bridges, in partnership with Nova Ukraine, helped deliver critical medical aid to 16 hospitals across Ukraine. The need for urgent medical care remains high. Through in-kind donations, we've been able to stretch resources further and reach more patients in need.

This shipment included essential medical equipment such as ultrasound devices, hospital beds, patient monitors, and examination tables, along with vital supplies like gloves, oxygen masks, and blood transfusion kits.

APRIL SHIPMENTS

BOUND FOR CAMEROON

Thanks to the incredible support of Trans-African Development, Inc., another Medical Bridges container is on its way to Cameroon—packed with life-saving medical supplies.

This shipment will strengthen healthcare facilities and bring vital resources to communities in need, making a lasting impact on countless lives.



HEADING TO DJIBOUTI

With heartfelt thanks to Helping Hand for Relief and Development (HHRD), two containers filled with essential, life-saving medical supplies are now on their way to communities in need in Djibouti.

We're profoundly grateful for partnerships that help deliver hope where it's needed most.

SERVING TEXAS



BIG IMPACT, CLOSE TO HOME!

A fully outfitted BUILD Clinic was sent to Jeff Davis County, Texas, bringing essential medical resources to a rural community facing critical healthcare challenges. Jeff Davis County has been designated a Health Resource Shortage Area by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA). Nearly 1 in 4 residents (24%) are uninsured—7 percentage points higher than the state average. The HRSA estimates the county would need to add more medical professionals to meet basic needs.

This makes the arrival of the BUILD Clinic all the more vital.

Special thanks to BUILD Texas A&M for constructing the clinic and to the following partners for making this mission possible:

Benjamin Franklin Plumbing, Big Sky Medical, Blessings International, Britt Rice Electric, L.P., County of Jeff Davis, EMS – Equipment Management Services, Fast Signs, Howell Foundation, Keystone Millwork, Lincoln Lumber, McCoy's Building Supply, Pittsburgh Crewing Co., and South Hardware Texas.

HONORING SERVICE: VOLUNTEERS AND INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

HONORING THE QUIET HANDS THAT HEAL

Our esteemed guests from Côte d'Ivoire paid a moving tribute to the compassionate hands behind Medical Bridges. These distinguished leaders—honored figures in their own communities—extended heartfelt recognition, reminding us how deeply our shared mission resonates across borders.

Such moments are rare and profoundly meaningful, affirming the power of unity and mutual respect.



CELEBRATING APRIL'S VOLUNTEER SPIRIT

This month, we've had the honor of welcoming several individuals and groups who have made a significant impact at Medical Bridges. Among them, we were privileged to host the Radiation Oncology Team from MD Anderson Cancer Center, The American Association of Critical-Care Nurses and the Dominica Nurses Association.

From the MD Anderson team's dedication to extending their healing touch beyond hospital walls, to the Dominica Nurses Association's unwavering commitment to global health, and the American Association of Critical-Care Nurses' steadfast support in advancing care worldwide, we are deeply grateful for their hands-on service and partnership.



APRIL EVENTS

HONORING WORLD HEALTH DAY WITH PURPOSE AND IMPACT

On April 7th, Medical Bridges commemorated World Health Day with an impactful forum at the Baker Institute, held in collaboration with the World Affairs Council of Greater Houston. The event featured dynamic panel discussions and vital conversations around global health, uniting thought leaders, changemakers, and passionate advocates dedicated to creating healthier futures for communities worldwide.

A heartfelt thank you to our incredible panelists, partners, and all who joined us—your presence made the day truly memorable!



TOGETHER FOR GLOBAL HEALTH: INNOVATING FOR A HEALTHIER FUTURE

Medical Bridges was honored to participate in the 13th Annual Houston Global Health Conference, hosted by the Houston Global Health Collaborative in partnership with the University of Houston Tilman J. Fertitta Family College of Medicine this past weekend.

This year's theme, "Navigating Future Global Health Challenges Through Innovation," closely aligns with our mission to build healthier communities through collaboration and sustainable solutions. Medical Bridges is grateful for the opportunity to connect with passionate changemakers and global health leaders dedicated to making a lasting impact.



HOW YOU CAN HELP MEDICAL BRIDGES MAKE A DIFFERENCE



DONATE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Please help by allowing Medical Bridges to pick up your surplus medical equipment and supplies. To donate, please reach out to:

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VOLUNTEER

Caring people like you make a difference. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to:

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