

# We Exist to Serve the Poor

Our goal is to improve health outcomes in poor communities through primary healthcare, nursing services, public health, clean water, dental care, nutrition and education.



## Shoulders Together

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### SANTA LUCIA CLINIC PROVIDING VALUABLE SERVICES

The Hombro a Hombro Board of Santa Lucia is pleased to report ongoing exceptional patient care at the clinic. There are now four doctors in Santa Lucia, Drs. Christy and James O'Dea, Dr. Andy Morris, and Dr. Ruben Martinez, along with Laura Morris, a social worker. Highlights include:

- The clinic is open 24 hours/7 days a week, providing a wide range of services, including emergency care and OB.
- The women are especially pleased to have Dr. Christy O'Dea, who has devoted every Tuesday morning to cervical cancer screening.

**Stay tuned next month for an issue featuring the doctors and families of the Santa Lucia Clinic!**

### NEEDS OF THE SANTA LUCIA CLINIC

- **Child Sponsorship**—We are excited to report the beginning stages of a sponsorship program in the schools surrounding Santa Lucia. We plan to provide continuing funds for medical and dental care, food, and clean water. Stay tuned for more details!
- **Ambulance**—We need \$15,000 to \$20,000 for a reliable, used bus that can be retrofitted as an ambulance.
- **Pharmacy**—The budget for medicines and supplies continues to increase and is now \$18,000 per year.



#### New doctors

The Morris family (left), Dr. Ruben Martinez (right), and Dr. James O'Dea (below)

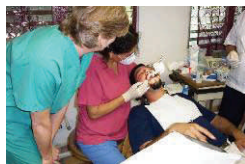


### Midwifery Program

In May 2007, Candace Kugel and midwife students from the University of Pennsylvania will provide a midwifery training program to the area midwives. They will also continue with the cervical cancer screening program.

29 women with positive cervical cancer screens had colposcopies and cryotherapy at the Santa Lucia clinic in February 2007.

### Contributions are Needed to Continue the Good Work of Shoulder to Shoulder



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### We need your help!

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