

Dignity Health Donates \$132,000 to Deliver Medical Supplies to Nepal

Partnering with MedShare and Project C.U.R.E., Supplies Will Help Earthquake Recovery Efforts

SAN FRANCISCO – May 17, 2015 – [Dignity Health](#), one of the largest health systems in the nation, is sending help to Nepal via a contribution of \$100,000 to fund the deliveries of much-needed earthquake disaster relief medical supplies, through partnerships with [MedShare](#) and [Project C.U.R.E.](#) In the last two weeks, more than 290 Dignity Health employees have personally contributed an additional \$32,000 to help fund five shipments to Nepal.

Following the 7.8 magnitude earthquake in Nepal on April 25, 2015, and the subsequent 7.3 magnitude earthquake on May 11, 2015, Dignity Health is answering the call for needed medical supplies by supporting the shipment of goggles, masks, syringes, scrubs, and more, to help restock health centers and help the medical community in Nepal, as health care services are being provided free of charge.

“We believe in the power of humankindness and supporting those in need, no matter where they are located,” said Lloyd H. Dean, Dignity Health’s president/chief executive officer. “It is even more meaningful that Dignity Health employees have personally led the charge to provide support to Nepal, whether volunteering to load supplies or making a financial contribution that will ensure supplies are delivered where they are needed most in Nepal.”

Dignity Health has partnered with Atlanta-based MedShare’s western regional office to contribute \$100,000 in delivery expenses for four containers filled with medical supplies headed to Kathmandu, Nepal by air and sea delivery. The first of the four containers shipped on May 8.

“In our six year partnership, Dignity Health continues to answer the global community’s needs for support in times of distress, such as now,” said Andy Pines, executive director – Western region, MedShare. “Dignity Health’s contributions to funding the logistics for the four containers will significantly help recovery efforts for the people of Nepal.”

Dignity Health has also partnered with Project C.U.R.E. Phoenix, the largest provider of donated medical supplies and equipment to developing countries around the world, to load and ship a 40-foot container of supplies, of which many have been donated over the last several months by Dignity Health through their ongoing partnership with Project C.U.R.E.

“We are proud to have a longstanding relationship with Dignity Health and its caring employees who have been instrumental in helping Project C.U.R.E sustain medical relief efforts around the globe, including Nepal, over the past 17 years,” said Katie Mabardy, executive director of Project C.U.R.E., Phoenix. “Dignity Health’s generous donation will have a significant impact on Nepal’s ability to help those affected by the devastating earthquake.”

Since 1992, Dignity Health's commitment to the communities it serves has included financial and volunteer support to hundreds of programs, including grant awards to 185 nonprofit organizations, totaling more than \$88.1 million, and low-interest loans to 3,006 projects totaling \$51.3 million.

To donate to this cause, please visit dignityhealthfoundation.org/Help_Nepal.

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Dignity Health, one of the nation's largest health care systems, is a 20-state network of nearly 9,000 physicians, 56,000 employees, and more than 400 care centers, including hospitals, urgent and occupational care, imaging centers, home health, and primary care clinics. Headquartered in San Francisco, Dignity Health is dedicated to providing compassionate, high-quality and affordable patient-centered care with special attention to the poor and underserved. In FY14, Dignity Health provided nearly \$2 billion in charitable care and services. For more information, please visit our website at www.dignityhealth.org. You can also follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

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