GG# 1985640 Bolivia Cleft Lip & Palate Vocational Training Missions

Host: Rotary Club Cochabamba

International Sponsor: Rotary Club of The Villages

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Area of Focus: Maternal and Child Health

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Project Overview: Our immediate objective is to perform up to 200 cleft lip and palate surgeries on disadvantaged children in Cochabamba, Bolivia. We will send four surgical teams, one each year, to Clinica el Carmen de Cochabamba. This is a public hospital that serves the very poorest citizens in the community. We will work alongside in- country professionals.

The proposed activity is to provide professional **Vocational Training Teams**. The teams (composed of volunteer U.S. medical personnel recruited by *AdventHealth Sharing Smiles* and local medical professionals) will screen patients and perform **cleft lip and/or palate surgeries** on up to 50 children per week, while **training in-country professionals** to continue treatment throughout the year.

Budget: \$164,085 (each trip is approximately \$35-40K)

Funding: 13 clubs from District 6980, eight clubs from District 6890, six clubs from District 6930 and \$21,214 in cash contributions

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