

Giving opportunity for Southern Africa:

Hospital Vehicles in Zimbabwe

Project Description

Health services in Zimbabwe have crumbled completely. The church's health institutions are also suffering from lack of drugs, equipment and personnel and HIV/AIDS scourge which has reduced life expectancy. In addition, the high level of poverty which has reduced the capacity of people to resist disease has impacted the lives of so many women, in particular, pregnant women, children and men.



One major problem that hospitals of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Zimbabwe are facing is their limited capacity to transfer / transport patients specially, pregnant women, to other referral hospital for better care, c-section or other surgical needs.

- In some cases, women are dying while they wait for unreliable public transportation.
- When a vehicle is available, for some patients it is already too late as their condition continues to deteriorate. Many die before or while they are being transferred.

Your contributions will allow each of the four hospitals of the ELC-Zimbabwe to purchase a hard-top vehicle to be used as an ambulance. These vehicles would transport patients and pregnant women, to avoid unnecessary or untimely death.

How to Remit a Gift

1. Check is written out to "The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America"
2. On the memo portion of the check write the name of the project and the words, "Level II."
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