

## Jewish Healthcare International

### Mission Statement:

JHI was established in 1999 to enhance quality of and increase access to healthcare services to vulnerable communities throughout the world. JHI is a project based on volunteerism and partnership between US and Israeli medical care specialists to render assistance to the Jewish Communities in the FSU, Baltic countries, and Eastern Europe.

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## Greensboro Jewish Federation - Beltsy Partnership

### Mission Statement:

Established in 1999, the Greensboro Jewish Federation has created a bond between Beltsy, Moldova in the Former Soviet Union to assist in rebuilding a Jewish community through moral, financial, educational and professional support.

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## Let My Children Grow

### Mission Statement:

Program of the TOLEO foundation and the JDC, funded by the Greensboro Federation's largest donor. This program fed over 2000 hungry children throughout Moldova while providing health screenings and Jewish programming.

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## Moldova Student Exchange Program Project

### Mission Statement:

This program offers college scholarship educational opportunities to students from Moldova in the state of North Carolina as well as opportunities for NC students to study and learn in Moldova.

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## A Mother's Smile

Mission Statement: This project is designed to enhance medical conditions of the Baltsy Maternity Ward by establishing a heating and hot water system.

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## Moldova World Children's Fund

### Mission Statement:

Moldova World Children's Fund, Inc. is a non-profit corporation whose primary purpose is to help relieve the suffering of children in the Republic of Moldova. MWCF's main focus is renovating orphanages, hospitals, schools, and boarding facilities serving children who have been abandoned or have other special needs. All these activities require funds from a range of donors. World is included in its name in order to be positioned to expand operations to other countries in the event opportunities and resources become available.

Ray West who managed U.S. European Command humanitarian assistance projects in Moldova from 1997 to 2002 is the head of MWCF.

The last project provided for the renovation of the heating system in Leova School for abandoned children. The total cost of the project was about \$100,000.

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## **Battered Domestic Violence and TIP Evaluation in Moldova**

Mission Statement:

While a majority of the sectors of Moldovan society are not responding adequately to domestic violence, the NGO sector is slowly moving forward with programs that offer direct services, training and advocacy. With little help from the national and local governments, many NGOs depend entirely on funding from the international community.

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## **Samaritan's Purse**

Mission Statement: Samaritan's Purse is a component of the Franklin Graham Ministries from Charlotte NC

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## **Greensboro/Moldova Hospice and Palliative Care Project**

Mission Statement:

The creation of a Moldovan hospice is a cooperative effort. Individuals in the Carolinas have joined with medical and hospice professionals, the NC National Guard, and Rotary Clubs in the endeavor to make a real difference in the lives of dying Moldovan citizens and their families.

Doctors, nurses, and other Moldovan citizens seeking to provide hospice care reached hospices in the Carolinas through the NATO Partnership for Peace program.

In the fall of 2000, the Rotary Club of Greensboro, NC sponsored the first formal exchange of expertise when three North Carolinians visited Zubresti to meet with the proposed hospice's health care team. In the spring of 2006, the inpatient facility opened its doors.

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## **Carolina Adoption Service and Sponsorship Program**

Mission Statement:

Julie Glandt, European Program Coordinator, with Carolina Adoption Agency has been with CAS since 1999. As program manager for international placement in Eastern Europe, Julie helped develop and sustain the placement of orphaned children from Republic of Moldova. Additionally, CAS established a sponsorship program for Moldova orphans who are released from boarding schools at age 16. Identified orphans are paired with sponsoring families in the United States. This support allows the orphaned youth to continue their education and prepare for adulthood.

In 2003 she received the highest national recognition from the President of Moldova for her work with orphans.

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## **Wake Forest Medical Center – Moldova Exchange**

Mission Statement:

The collaborative educational relationship between Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center's department of Plastic Surgery and the Medical University of Moldova began in May 2003. The experience was mutually beneficial and began what is now more than a three year relationship between the two departments and specifically the surgeons.

Moldovan surgeons participate in exchange trainings where they are able to observe the full spectrum of reconstructive surgery as well as to participate in intensive academic programs.

Most recently, a young girl from Moldova with a condition whereby her skull bones were prematurely fused thus inhibiting her brain from growing underwent a plastic surgery at Wake Forest Medical Center. Through the dedication of the physicians at Wake Forest and the hospital staff, the surgery was a success. Countless numbers of children will benefit from the information that was gained from this exchange.

Discussion is underway for continuing the education of physicians in Moldova for treating conditions that affect brain development.

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## **AHEC Library Project Briefing**

Mission Statement:

The leaders from the Coastal AHEC Medical Library in Wilmington are leading a partnership between the Scientific Medical Library of the State Medical Pharmaceutical University Nicolae Testimitanu in Moldova and all medical libraries in North Carolina. Approximately \$100,000 of donated library online subscriptions was secured by Mrs. Donna Flake from Wilmington AHEC for this program (5years subscriptions).

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