

# We Are One



#### **Mission**

We Are One is a joint project of the Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley and other participating clubs and the Rotary Club of Santo Domingo Innovador to provide free dental services to underserved families in the Dominican Republic.

#### Goals

- Bring free dental care to children and their families in the San Felipe area, located north of the capital, Santo Domingo, beginning in mid 2013. Poverty prevents families from obtaining adequate dental care, and tooth decay affects children more than any other chronic infectious disease. Untreated tooth decay can cause pain and serious infections in the brain, lungs, and heart and developmental problems such as eating, speaking, playing, and learning.
- Raise funds to purchase a truck and refit it with dental equipment for operation as a mobile dental clinic, serving the poor and economically disadvantaged area of San Felipe.
- Obtain donations of dental equipment and supplies from dentists, suppliers, and other related organizations in the USA.
- Ensure sustainability through collaboration with the Rotary Club of Santo Domingo Innovador, the Clinica SODHAIDESA medical clinic, and a local San Felipe foundation that is currently working with Rotary on projects in the schools and community.
- Provide adequate staffing with two local dentists: one from Clinica SODHAIDESA and one from the local Rotary Club. Staffing will be augmented by visiting dental professionals from the USA.
- Promote global peace and understanding by bringing together dental professionals and volunteers from the USA and the Dominican Republic to share their cultures and experiences in pursuit of common goals.

## **Organization**

- Dr. Frantz Compere is the founder and Executive Director of Clinica SODHAIDESA, located in Santo
  Domingo Norte. Dr. Compere has a distinguished record of organizing and executing humanitarian efforts
  in the Dominican Republic and Haiti, providing families with critically needed and free medical care.
- Juan Domingo Reyes is President of the Rotary Club of Santo Domingo Innovador, a young and active Rotary organization.
- Members of the Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley are working with participating clubs in District 7910.
- The San Felipe foundation has a record of working with many Rotary Clubs in the Dominican Republic, providing service to schools and communities.
- Dr. David Paul, Associate Professor at Tufts School of Dental Medicine, will assist in identifying and supporting visiting dentists from the USA.

### **Contacts**

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## **About the Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley**

The Rotary Club of Nashoba Valley serves Lancaster, Bolton, and Stow, MA. We welcome all guests and prospective members.

First and third Thursdays: 7:15 AM to 8:30 AM

**Houghton Building** 

(across from the Bolton elementary and middle

697 Main Street, Bolton, MA 01740 (Route 117 West from I495, Exit 27) Second and fourth Thursdays:

5:45 PM to 7:00 PM

Nancy's Airfield Café 302 Boxboro Road Stow, MA 01775

