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**GTAH AND PARTNERS TO BRING HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS AND DONATIONS TO HAITI & DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

Give Them A Hand Foundation (GTAH), a 501©3 not-for-profit organization continues its long standing partnership with Kids Explore, Universal Aid Society and The Maria Maison Foundation. We are also collaborating with World Care, United African Congress (UAC) and Earth Rights Institute (ERI) to mobilize resources in order to assist the people of Haiti to cope with their present circumstances and eventually to rebuild their lives and country.

GTAH provided volunteers to the Consulate General of Haiti in the first days of the crisis and continues to do so in order to assist with moving volunteers (Health Care professionals) into Haiti or the Dominican Republic as the case may be. GTAH has been identified by JetBlue as one of their liaisons.

We are also working 2 missions simultaneously, one in Haiti and the other in the Dominican Republic. On Friday, 22 January we are scheduled to ship the first part of a 25,000 pounds consignment of medical equipment and supplies into the Dominican Republic. This will be delivered to some hospitals and orphanages in Haiti and to a hospital in Jimani, Dominican Republic.

Glen Lahey of partnering organization Kids Explore and a team of 15 doctors from Canada will arrive in Santo Domingo on Thursday, 22 January to assist some of the same hospitals in Santo Domingo as well as to support a makeshift hospital which sprung up in Jimani, DR in response to the stream of injured people from Haiti seeking medical attention. The makeshift hospital is being run by a group of Canadian firemen. All these facilities are operating way beyond capacity.

GTAH, UAC and ERI will also launch a collection drive for Haiti, under the banner of the Mayor's Relief Fund. Details will be provided in our next release.

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