



The people of Aguacate have few options for medical care besides our clinic. They thank you for your love and support!

Here's How You're Sharing Life and Health in Guatemala Every Day

For the past several years, one of OCMC's most important projects in Guatemala has been supporting a medical and dental clinic serving the indigenous Mayan community in the remote village of Aguacate.

Support from generous OCMC supporters like you, and in particular from Holy Cross Church in Pittsburgh, has been critical in establishing the clinic, filling it with medical equipment, and keeping its doors open. Frequent visits from OCMC mission teams — which have included doctors, dentists, RNs, midwives, and med students, as well as caring volunteers — have supported the local doctors, nurses, and dental techs who work there day to day.

The clinic was closed for several months last year because of the pandemic, but OCMC Missionary Fr. John Chakos reports that it is now open and fully staffed with medical and dental students serving their clinical rotations. This is good news, because the people of Aguacate have little to no access to medical or dental care besides what's available at the clinic.

The Aguacate clinic is a wonderful example of how your support of OCMC dramatically affects not only the spiritual growth, but also the day-to-day lives of people in communities thousands of miles away. The people of Aguacate have adopted this clinic as their own, and they are grateful, not only for the OCMC Mission Teams who come to visit them, but also the friends like you who help make it all possible.

And of course, we are grateful, too!



Your generosity touches lives every day. Thank you.