

Lives Transformed...

A 7.5 kg tumour had engulfed Sambany's neck and face. This 19-year-old burden was a symbol of shame that led Sambany to feel life was no longer worth living. Then he heard that a Mercy Ship was docked in Tamatave, Madagascar.

Sambany walked for 3 days to reach the Africa Mercy. When he arrived, his tumour was the largest our volunteer doctors had ever seen. If it was not removed, it would have surely killed him. By God's grace, the surgery was a success.

For the first time in many years, Sambany can hold his head high.







Pulcherie was completely blind at 15, abandonded by her husband at 33, and left to raise her child as a single mother with no hope for a job. She found hope on board the Africa Mercy.

Since Pulcherie's cataract surgery she has found work and stability. She can't stop looking at her healthy, beautiful baby girl.

MSCA 2014 at a Glance

103

Volunteers

4,891

Donors

466

New Donors

7

Campus Clubs

12

Biomedical Techs Trained

Message from the Board Chair

Dear Friends.

I am very pleased to launch Mercy Ships Canada's first Annual Report beginning with 2014. This has been an important goal for our Canadian office and represents a milestone in the growth of its strength and maturity – beyond our usual financial reporting.

A highlight of 2014 was our contribution to the planning to double the impact of Mercy Ships through a new purpose-build vessel, which will be launched in 2018. This major challenge means intensifying future recruitment of the already more than 100 Canadian volunteers and exceeding the \$2.5 million in funds and donated goods & services raised annually. We will be calling on your help to double our efforts to bring this exciting vision of the second ship to reality. To that end, I ask you share your personal commitment to Mercy Ships with family, friends, and colleagues.



In 2014, we delivered a more diverse program, by adding two new incredibly useful projects and partnering with like-minded organizations to scale-up our impact. MSCA funded a nine-week BioMed Tech Training project in Congo and partnered with Sterile Processing Education in Developing Countries to decrease surgical infection rates through improved instrument sterilization practices in both the Congo and Madagascar. To improve our organizational governance, we prioritized the Workplan, brought special attention to improvements to our human resources and strengthened our Board's capacity and reach by establishing an Advisory Council.

This first Annual Report brings attention to our goals, our programs as well as our achievements and challenges. To the thousands of faithful individual supporters, corporate donors and dedicated volunteers from across Canada, the Board of Directors wishes to extend our sincere GRATITUDE and APPRECIATION to you ALL!

Sincerely,

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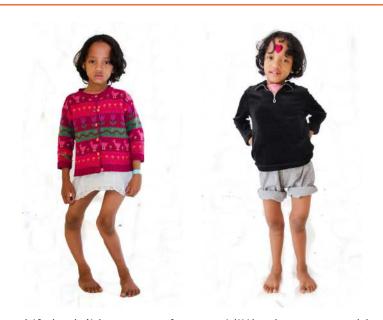
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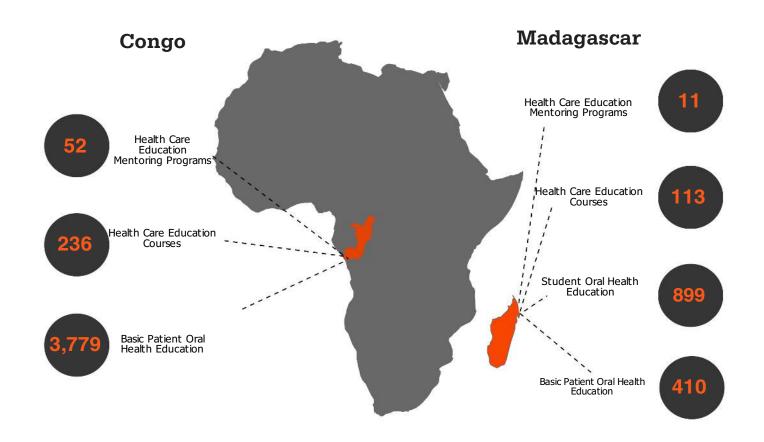
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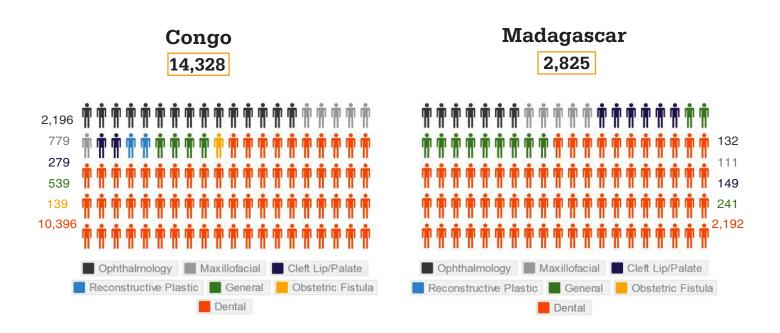


Life hadn't been easy for sweet little eleven-year-old Vanya. With sad eyes she told her mother that her friends made fun of her because of her "windswept" legs. After Vanya's surgery her physical deformity was swept away, clearing the way for a bright new future.

Capacity Building



Surgeries and Procedures



Meet some Canadian crew!

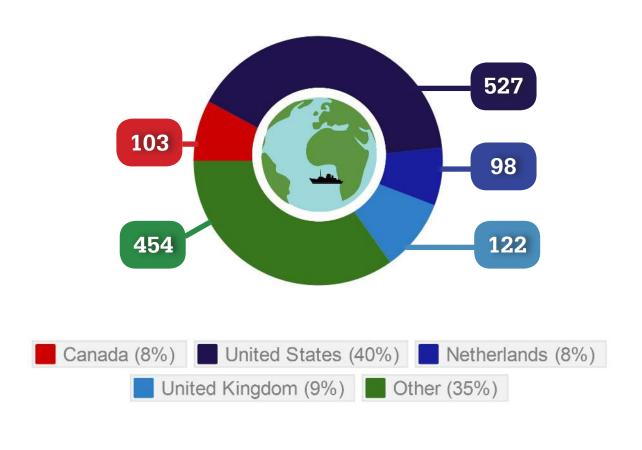
On July 28th, 2014 the Comans left their home in Vancouver, BC to fufill their dream of volunteering as a family with Mercy Ships. On board the Africa Mercy George served as Hotel Engineer and Meagan a Ward Nurse, in addition to caring for their two children, Isabella and Andy. George and Meagan went above and beyond their duties, spending time sharing their knowledge with Malagasy day workers, teaching them new skills to support their own sustainable futures. The Comans will always remember and be grateful for all they learned, experienced and accomplished during their time with Mercy Ships.





Kyle Siemens, from Medicine Hat, Alberta, has been volunteering on the Africa Mercy since January 2014 as Media Liaison, helping tell the stories of patients and crew on board the ship. After hearing about the work Kyle was doing and the difference he was making in people's lives, his father Ken, a dentist, and his mother Deanna, a dental assistant, also decided to volunteer with Mercy Ships. "Anyone can volunteer with Mercy Ships", Kyle emphasizes. "You don't need to be a nurse or a doctor. Some of my best friends on the ship work in the galley or as housekeepers. You can make a difference here whatever it is you're doing."

2014 International Volunteers



Message from the National Director

Annual Reports bring overviews of achievements. It is our hope that this brief report gives you an understandable summary of the work of both Mercy Ships Canada and Mercy Ships International for 2014.

Supporting the work of the volunteer crew on board the Africa Mercy, the world's largest civillian hospital ship, is our primary objective at Mercy Ships Canada. Our primary goal is to increase the awareness of our mission to bring hope and healing to the world's forgotten poor, resulting in more resources being available for those seeking hope and healing. I feel pride when I say that together in 2014 we succeeded in providing more financial and human resources to those in need, transforming lives one by one on the other side of the world. In this report you will find graphs and numbers that demonstrate the impact achieved, however the most important thing is to



remember is that each number represents an individual life. You will also find brief stories and photos of patients who are grateful beyond words for the care they received, care that transformed lives that seemed lost.

While we have seen much success, there are still way to many Canadians who do not know of our life transforming work. To that end, I ask you share the Mercy Ships story with family, friends, and colleagues so that in 2015 I can report even greater success. To keep up-to-date, I encourage you to visit our website or Facebook page for all the current news.

For those of you who support our mission through financial contribution and/or through pray please know that we send you our heartfelt thanks. To succeed at increasing our ability to bring hope and healing we must expand our partnerships, for it is only by joining together can we transform the world one life at a time.

Wishing you many blessings, I remain, ever hopeful,

Tim Maloney, National Director Mercy Ships Canada

Zakael was born with a lump on his neck, but his family had no money to pay for its removal. When Zakael's father heard that Mercy Ships was sending one of its hospital ships to Madagascar, the family sold their last goose and chicken to pay for the 2 day journey to the Africa Mercy. It was a wonderful investment that gave Zakael a free surgery, and a new life.





The Mercy Ships Canada Team

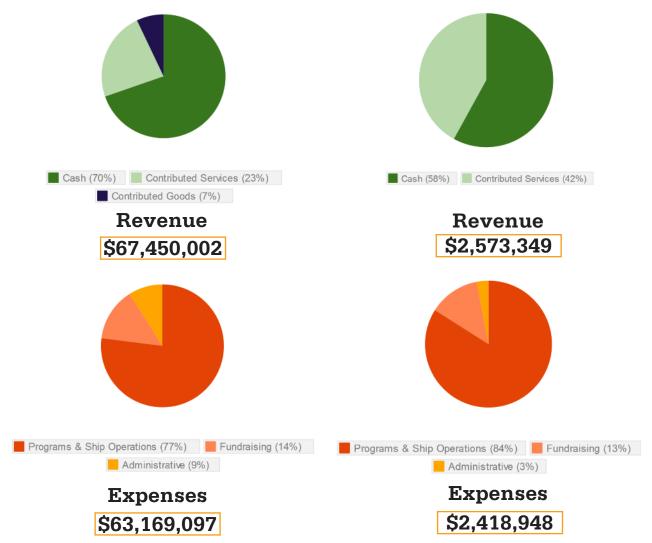


Tim Maloney, Jojo Beattie, Colleen Sullivan, Andrea Gilbert, Pen Huage, Natasha MacKinnon, Jane McIntosh

2014 Financial Position

Mercy Ships International

Mercy Ships Canada





Vernel lives in a fishing village eight hours from Congo's port city of Pointe Noire. The cleft on the right side of his upper lip revealed his pink gums and front teeth as it stretched toward his nostril. He got teased so badly he would come home crying every day. After his surgery Vernel was so excited he called his Grandpa and said "I'm a handsome boy now"!



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