

Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 – September 30, 2018)

Mercy Joplin Community Benefit Report

Mercy Clinic Joplin Shares Her Experience of a Mission Trip to Jamaica

Total Community Benefit
\$2,533,000



Dr. Tracy Godfrey, president, Mercy Clinic Joplin, shares her experience about her recent opportunity to go on a mission trip to Jamaica.

What was the mission trip for and where did you go?

It was a medical mission through the United Methodist Church. We worked at a clinic in Falmouth, Jamaica.

What did you enjoy most about your time there?

Taking care of patients. People were so appreciative for the most basic services we provided. The people I was working with – I didn't know many of the team that I went with – but they are now brothers and sisters for life.

Were there lessons learned that you can bring back to Mercy in your role as Clinic President?

Yes. We are blessed with so much that we take for granted. A home, running water, electricity, and so many material things. But it's more than that, we are blessed with opportunities that allows us to obtain those material things.

If a Mercy co-worker was on the fence about doing a mission trip, what advice would you give them?

Sharing time and talent is very rewarding. There are so many mission opportunities, both at home.

Charity Care

Includes the actual cost of providing free or discounted care to persons who cannot afford to pay and who are not eligible for public programs. Charity care does not include bad debt.
Benefit: \$3,260,000

Community Outreach Services

Includes activities carried out to improve community health and services that are subsidized because they are needed in the community. Examples: education, support groups, health screenings, and immunizations.
Benefit: \$13,000

Health Professionals

Education and Research

Includes the cost of providing clinical placement for physicians, nurses and other health professionals plus the costs of the nursing anesthesia, EMS and radiology schools.
Benefit: \$58,000

Cash, In-Kind Donations, Workforce Enhancement and Fundraising

Includes cash, in-kind donations, fundraising costs, food & supplies to shelters, use of Mercy rooms and facilities, donated office space and recruitment of health professionals in medically underserved areas.
Benefit: \$84,000

Medicaid Subsidies

Includes the actual unpaid cost of providing care to Medicaid patients and represents the shortfall between cost of care and the payments received by the government.
Benefit: 0



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