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HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF DONATE MOBILE MEDICAL UNIT FOR CONTINUING BAHAMAS RELIEF EFFORTS

*Bahamian Government Officials Visit Holy Cross Hospital To View Gifted Medical
Unit And Tour Hospital Facilities*

Fort Lauderdale, FL – October 17 2019 – Iram D. Lewis, Minister of State for Disaster Preparedness, Management & Reconstruction, Katherine B. Smith, President of the Senate & NEMA Coordinator Grand Bahama Island, Carl Smith, Permanent Secretary (Ministry of Disaster Preparedness, Management & Reconstruction) and Carl Oliver, Director (Ministry of Disaster Preparedness, Management & Reconstruction) visited Holy Cross Hospital at 8:00 am Friday Oct 18th to view the Medical Mobile Truck donated by Holy Cross Hospital medical staff. The principal sponsors of the Bahamas Relief Effort organized by the Holy Cross medical team include Mission Resolve Foundation, Tropic Oil, The Kotler Family, Medical Outfitters Inc., Quality Air Conditioning Co., Picture Perfect Signs and LRM Leasing.

The medical unit has an on board generator, two air conditioners, refrigerator, water, and has fuel capacity for one week. Additional funds have been raised to also maintain the unit and supplies which include sanitary materials, water, MREs and tarps for sun cover.

The Bahamian government representatives met with the hospital team, among them Douglas Strong, Interim President CEO, Consultant Executive, RHM HCH/Trinity Health and Jon A. Kotler, MD, President Chief of Medical Staff, Director Nuclear Medicine.

In total, the Medical Staff is donating \$150,000 in hardware to the Bahamas and will be donating another \$20,000 - \$30,000 in the short term.

“Holy Cross Hospital Medical Staff is pleased to donate a mobile disaster response medical clinic to the Bahama Ministry of Disaster Preparedness Management & Reconstruction. The mobile medical clinic is self-contained with on-board generator, air conditioning, water, commode, expanding side walls with stairwell and elevator access” said Dr. Jon Kotler, President Chief of Medical Staff at Holy Cross Hospital

The Medical Mobile Unit will be shipped to the island of Abaco, Bahama by Seacor Island Lines to help aid in the continuing recovery efforts.

“We are so grateful to Holy Cross Hospital for this incredibly generous gift to assist with our ongoing support of the Bahamian Relief efforts with NEMA” said

Barbara Coury, Mission Resolve Foundation's Chief Development Officer. "Its donations like this made possible by Holy Cross and our other sponsors that are truly making a major difference in these critically needed recovery efforts for the children and families devastated by Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas."

ABOUT MISSION RESOLVE FOUNDATION

Mission Resolve Foundation serves as a global catalyst to engage, educate and inspire the public in best practices for humanitarian aid, civic engagement and the deployment of applied environmental science. The organization utilizes its extensive network to coordinate with government officials and NGOs after devastating natural disasters, getting badly needed supplies and assistance to those affected. Additionally, Mission Resolve Foundation works with leading scientists and innovators on global environmental challenges such as marine plastics, developing ways to reduce and remediate these issues.

ABOUT HOLY CROSS HOSPITAL

A member of Trinity Health, Fort Lauderdale-based Holy Cross Hospital is a full-service, non-profit, Catholic, teaching hospital operating in the spirit of the Sisters of Mercy. Holy Cross Hospital has been named one of the top five hospitals in the Miami metro area and among the top 20 in the state in U.S. News and World Report's 2019-2020 Best Hospital rankings. Through strategic collaborations and a commitment to being a person-centered, transforming, healing presence, the 557-bed hospital offers progressive inpatient, outpatient and community outreach services and clinical research trials to serve as our community's trusted health partner for life. To learn more about Holy Cross Hospital, visit [holly-cross.com](https://www.holy-cross.com). Connect @holycrossfl.

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From left to right: Patxi Pastor, Co-founder Mission Resolve Foundation, Carl Smith, Permanent Secretary (Ministry of Disaster Preparedness, Management & Reconstruction), Dr. Jon Kotler, President Chief of Medical Staff at Holy Cross Hospita, Iram D. Lewis, Minister of State for Disaster Preparedness, Management & Reconstruction, Katherine B. Smith, President of the Senate & NEMA Coordinator Grand Bahama Island, Carl Oliver, Director (Ministry of Disaster Preparedness, Management & Reconstruction), and Bahamian government representatives met with the hospital team, among them Douglas Strong, Interim President CEO, Consultant Executive, RHM HCH/Trinity Health.

