

Global Links Hearts for Haiti Fundraiser

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Peabody students during their “Have A Heart For Haiti” Campaign. “Their Creativity And commitment raised nearly \$300 to support our Help Haiti Recover Campaign. Their effort is a great exmple of how everyone can be involved” , remarked Kathleen Hower, Global Links’ Executive Director.

(PITTSBURGH – March 1, 2010) -- Pittsburgh-based medical relief organization Global Links is hosting a “Hearts for Haiti” fundraiser at the 30th Latin American & Caribbean Festival to be held at the University of Pittsburgh Student Union on Saturday, March 27th starting at noon.

Inspired by students at Peabody High School, the Hearts for Haiti fundraiser is an opportunity for individuals to build a heart of love with their donations. For every monetary donation given to Global Links at the festival, a heart will be placed on a mural at the Global Links table at the entrance of the festival that will grow throughout the event. A suggested donation of \$2 will help the heart grow larger.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will help to support the efforts of some 400 Haitian doctors working to provide medical care for their people, often without adequate equipment and verry limited supplies. Global Links is committed to supporting long-term recovery and rebuilding efforts in Haiti; considerable resources will be needed to sustain the necessary level of critical assistance.

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About Global Links:

Global Links is a registered 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization that collaborates with U.S. institutions to recover surplus medical materials before consignment to land-fills and makes them available to hospitals abroad through their ongoing programs. Because poorly planned donations can be worse than no aid at all, each donation is carefully tailored to meet the needs of the recipient institution. Dedicated volunteers help Global Links to maintain high quality standards and low costs. Since its founding in 1989, Global Links has provided more than \$160 million in critical medical aid to developing nations, including Bolivia, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica and Nicaragua.

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