Suture Donation Project



## Save Sutures. Save Lives.

Mari Clide, a 25-year old Haitian woman, was pregnant for the first time - and carrying twins. One night she awoke with a severe headache, which she knew could be a sign of pre- eclampsia, a life-threatening condition for her and her babies. Luckily, Mari Clide was able to get help at Hôpital Albert Schweitzer (HAS).

HAS has been receiving sutures and other materials from Global Links since 1995. When Mari Clide's doctors decided she required a Cesarean section, they had the exact sutures they needed, **thanks to the efforts of OR staff who save sutures for Global Links**. According to her doctors, without a c-section, Mari was at risk for neurological injury or stillbirth for her twins, infection, hemorrhage, fistula, and death. **Having the right supplies from Global Links enabled the hospital staff to make the best decision for Mari**, and the twins - Roodensly and Roodensky - entered the world safely.

Supporting Global Links Suture Donation Program with surplus, unexpired sutures protects the life and health of young women like Mari Clide and their babies.

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