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SCHOOLCRAFT MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTES TO INTERNATIONAL AID

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Where exactly does old, obsolete medical equipment go when it's replaced? Well, that's a question Chris Dixon, RN in the Surgical Department at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital had the perfect answer to, "International Aid".



The International Aid program was founded in 1980 in Spring Lake, Michigan. It is a nondenominational, development and training agency that links caring people and organizations worldwide, changing lives through the power of compassion. Through its emergency relief, missionary assistance, medical support, and global development services, International Aid reaches out to those in need around the world regardless of nationality, ethnicity or creed. International Aid is committed to integrity in the use of its resources, professionalism in the management of its programs and preserving the dignity of the people it serves.

Chris Dixon discovered the International Aid effort through Dr. Eppinga who performs Orthopedic surgery at Schoolcraft Memorial Hospital and Marquette General. After researching this worthy organization, Chris made the call and found out that their Medical Equipment Services department is a full service department. They have four full time Biomedical Equipment Technicians on staff with over 60 years combined experience. They handle all types of equipment from Chemistry Analyzers to x-ray and Imaging devices. Internal Aid specializes in the repair and refurbishing of donated medical equipment for shipment to their partners in developing nations. These partners, who are medical missionaries, volunteer medical teams, mission hospitals and clinics, and other medical mission supporters who would not otherwise be able to afford to purchase equipment on their limited budgets. They truly help the poorest of the poor.

"It's been a real team effort" said Dixon with numerous staff and departments taking part, they should all be very proud of a job well done."