



**Mobility
Worldwide®**

TX – San Antonio

*"What we are trying to do may be just a drop in the ocean.
But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop"
-- Mother Teresa*



December 2018

Mobility Cart Lifts Neomi Off Her Hands

In her own words . . .



Living in El Salvador, Noemi reports, "At three years old, I had infantile cerebral palsy. I did not speak, I did not move, I did not talk. I am not walking like this, so crawling, but I give thanks to God because I walk, speak and I do not have other illness.

I thank them because they sent me this cart. It will help me huge to walk a little farther. Also it will help me with the ache that I have in the hands. I feel it much.



I don't walk like before when I was young. I walked fast but nowadays I can't support to walk. Thank you very much. I want to tell you that I feel pretty happy for what you have done.



Thanks, thanks, thanks. I thank them, I always pray for each one of them. May God who illuminates the wisdom of all who have come, thanks. I'm thankful and glad for the house, and I will not muddy like before. Thanks.

It is God who illuminated them huge, so they have helped me. I don't have anything with I give thanks them, only my prayers for each one of them wherever they are, and may God who take care of them in their vehicles.

So they are who give the steps for blessing me with this. I feel like a queen. Thanks! Thanks! Thank you a lot. Happy day!"

If you would like to hear Noemi tell her story and see how her life has changed by her Mobility Cart, please copy the following link and paste it in your Web browser:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQ0MRGZK0RM&rel=0&modestbranding=1>

"THOSE ARE REALLY CUTE!" WHAT ARE THEY?"

That's what we heard when we drove a trailerfull of Mobility Carts to the US-Mexico border in Del Rio, TX on October 30. We had taken the 25 Carts from our



trailer and helped load them onto the trailer of a social services agency (DIF) from Acuña in Mexico. The driver of a pickup truck pulled up beside us and said he liked the carts. We told him they were actually wheelchairs we had made for disabled people in Mexico. He asked how much they cost, to which we replied that we give them at no cost to try to improve the lives of others. He got out of his truck, looked the carts over, and handed us \$200! We asked for his name so we could send him a thank-you note. He shook his head, looked up, and pointing to the sky. His understood message: "This is a gift from God to help you continue blessing others with your ministry."

ALTERNATIVE GIFT FAIR

A Service Mission Project of the Church of the Resurrection, Episcopal



Thanks to the Foreign & Domestic Missions Committee of the Church of the Resurrection, Episcopal on Walzem Road, we were one of four non-profit groups selected to receive a donation to support the groups' missions. Instead of purchasing a Christmas gift for someone, the church members donated a dollar-

amount to the organization in honor of, or in memory of, a loved one. A card will then be sent to the honoree to let him or her know of the gift-donation. Thanks to the efforts of the church Missions Committee, Mobility Worldwide received donations that will pay for the construction and delivery of THREE Mobility Carts, representing three changed lives of disabled individuals living in developing countries. Thank you, Church of the Resurrection, Episcopal!

PRODUCTION & SHIPPING REPORT

Watch Us Grow!

While not all of the numbers are available at the time of the writing of this newsletter, we want to provide you with two of those

numbers. The number of Mobility Carts produced in the TX-San Antonio workshop this year is 191. We have steadily grown in production over the years, with this year exceeding last year's number by 15 Carts!

And due partly to 57 Carts being in inventory at the end of 2017, we shipped 231 Carts this year to the countries of Mexico and Honduras. That's 76 more Carts shipped in 2018 than 2017, and 148 more Carts shipped than in 2014!



WINDCREST LIONS

"We Serve"

The Windcrest Lions came out as a team on December 1 to help us build Mobility Carts. This is just one of their many community out-



reach projects where they live their slogan, "We serve." They also feed the homeless, provide dictionaries to 3rd-graders, and give school supplies to elementary school children and they participate in the Diabetes Walk and the Lions Strive for Sight Walk. The Windcrest Lions also sponsor the Leo Service Club at Roosevelt High School, where students work alongside their mentors in learning how to make a positive difference in their community.

To learn more about the Windcrest Lions Club, please contact Nan Patton at (210)593-8794.



MORE CARTS TO HONDURAS



AMIGA (A Mission in God's Amor [Love]) is again teaming up with Mobility Worldwide TX-San Antonio in order to improve the quality of life of citizens living in Honduras who have physical disabilities and mobility limitations. AMIGA plans to send a 40-foot container of supplies ahead of a trip in May 2019 to Honduras.

Their medical brigade ministry consists of licensed medical professionals and community health workers to provide preventive health services and the treatment of common medical conditions. Medications are dispensed under the direction of a licensed physician and at no cost to the patients.

Four members of the AMIGA team, with local presence in Selma, TX, arrived at the Mobility Worldwide workshop on December 12 and loaded 10 Mobility Carts into their truck. Along with these Adult Carts, they plan to put an additional 5 Child Carts in their shipping container. The plan is for the container to ship on April 4, 2019, and we have been invited to help load the container on March 30. Many thanks to Mike and Caijian Schramm, Andrew Luther, and Carlos Salinas for the coordination and loading of the AMIGA truck.



CONTACT INFORMATION

For volunteer opportunities or to request a presentation to your group, please contact Tom Martin, President of Mobility Worldwide TX - San Antonio, at (210)496-4784, or send him an email to mwsanantonio@gmail.com.

For more information about us, please visit our website: mwsanantonio.org. You can visit the international office of Mobility Worldwide at mobilityworldwide.org.

If you have a change of address, would like to switch to receive the newsletter by email, or if you no longer wish to receive the Mobility Worldwide TX-San Antonio quarterly newsletter, please send your request to mwsanantonio@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

A Donor Receipt will be sent for all donations. Mobility Worldwide TX - San Antonio is a faith-based, 501(c)(3), tax-deductible, all-volunteer organization.

We are also able to receive your donation on our webpage at mwsanantonio.org.

THANK YOU, ALAMO RANCH ARTISTS LEAGUE

The 10th Annual Del Webb Hill Country Retreat Arts & Crafts Festival was held October 20-21. And, once again, Mobility Worldwide was chosen as the non-profit organization to work in several functions throughout the weekend to raise funding for the construction of Mobility Carts. We ran the Raffle Room, where each artist showing and selling his artwork at the Festival donated one of his items for us to sell in the Raffle. We had original paintings, photography prints, woven pieces and other yarn handwork, and a variety of jewelry.



We were also in charge of preparing and cooking lunch for the artisans and Festival attendees, specializing in Make-Your-Own-Hamburgers and Hot Diggity Dogs! Pictured here is our president, Tom Martin, smoking-up the meat!

And we had responsibility for overnight security to protect the artists' outdoor booths. And we had a sales table where we sold fine wooden items such as cutting boards, serving trays, and products worked on the lathe including bowls, vases, and pens. Several of these items were made and donated by the Alamo Woodturners of San Antonio. We earned enough money at the Festival to fund the cost of building 12 Mobility Carts. Our sincere thanks to Nancy Dieckow and her committees for making this such a successful event!



WORKSHOP NOW OPEN ON SATURDAY

A Little Thing Like Employment Getting In Your Way?

Save the date! Our workshop will now be open on a trial basis on the last Saturday of each month. If you would like to improve lives by building Mobility Carts and are not available to volunteer during the week, now is your opportunity to help people with disabilities who live in other countries. Sign up as an individual or as a small group from work or other function. January 26, 2019 will be our first Saturday workshop day. Work generally begins around 8:30 A.M. and finishes up around 12:30 P.M. You don't need to bring anything except your interest in learning. We will have seasoned volunteers on hand to teach and supervise.



But please do not just show up! Since this is a trial, we ask that you contact Tom Martin at (210)496-4784 no later than the prior Saturday to make sure enough people have signed up to warrant opening the shop. We are located close to the SA Airport. Please see the map to the right.



MOBILITY WORLDWIDE TX-SAN ANTONIO, 219 E. Nakoma Drive

Exit US Hwy 281 and turn west onto E. Nakoma Dr. Turn right at the first traffic light, Warfield St. In approximately 50 yards, turn left on the driveway behind the business storefronts and to the front of the warehouses in the rear. We are located in the second bay from the left (rear entrance only).

A WAY TO HONOR OTHERS



As announced in our June newsletter, we are now offering a special way to honor someone in your life. It costs us \$300 to construct a Mobility Cart. For a donation of \$400, not only

would you cover the cost of building and shipping a Cart to a disabled person, we will engrave your honoree's name on a metal plate and affix it to the

back of the Cart. We keep track of the "honored Cart" by the honoree's name and serial number, and can tell you when it was shipped and to what country. We are hoping there will come a day that we get a picture or story from some mission group that they saw one of our Carts being used and are sending us some information about that person.

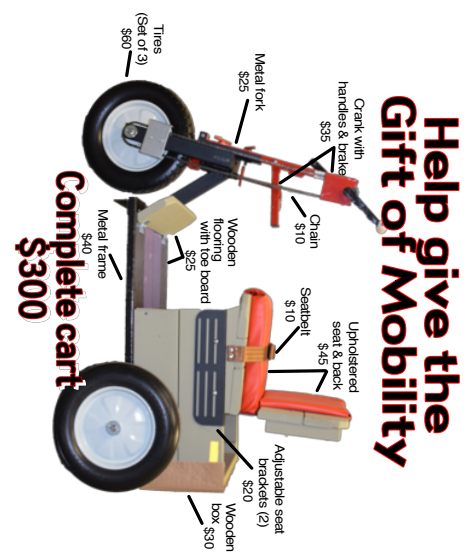
We are very pleased with the interest and response to this offer, with there now being 15 Carts with nameplates. Of those, 8 Carts have already shipped, and they all went to Mexico. If you are interested, please just include your and your honoree's information on the flap below and return it to us with your \$400 donation.



Name _____
Business _____
Address _____
State/ZIP _____
Phone _____
Email _____
My gift is ___ in honor of / ___ in memory of _____
Please send an acknowledgement in my/our name (withhold disclosing the amount of our gift) to:
Name _____
Relationship _____
Address _____
State/ZIP _____

Make checks payable and mail to:
Mobility Worldwide TX-San Antonio
P.O. Box 701172, San Antonio, TX 78270

Yes! I want to partner with Mobility Worldwide TX-San Antonio to sponsor the building of Mobility Cart specialty wheelchairs.
\$_____ for _____ Cart(s) at \$300 each
\$_____ for _____ Cart(s) at \$400 each, which includes a personalized metal plate on the Cart
\$_____ toward production of a Cart



Help give the Gift of Mobility

Complete cart \$300