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LIMBS FOR HAITI **UPDATE**

When a massive earthquake struck Haiti, a nursing school was one of the few buildings in the city of Léogâne still standing. It served as a haven for injured victims in the mayhem that followed. Several hundred refugees still live in tents on its grounds.

The respected school will now become the site of our new prosthetics center, a place that will offer life-changing help to children and adults who were left as amputees in the Jan. 12 disaster. At Ann Foundation, we are on our way to making this exciting project a reality. We hope to start making and fitting people with artificial limbs in September.

Finding a place to house the center was daunting in a country so filled with hardship, grief and rubble. Ann Foundation President Ann Moideen and Rotarian Anil Surana from Bangalore, India, visited Haiti in May. Consul General Eddy Handal invited them to attend a Rotary meeting in District 7020, and local Rotary President Bouchard Theramene and Chairman Ronald Lilavois offered their full support of the prosthetics center project. On May 30, Hilda Alcindor, dean of the Faculté des Sciences Infirmières de l'Université Episcopale d'Haïti in Léogâne, graciously agreed to donate the space to house the prosthetics center on the school's campus.

We are eager to bring this project to Haiti, the poorest country in the Western hemisphere, where many amputees remain on waiting lists for prosthetic limbs that may never come. We will provide 500 to 1,000 people with artificial lower limbs; we then plan to train local Haitians to continue this important work. Please help us get started right away. For each \$250 you donate, you can give one earthquake victim a prosthetic limb – and the ability to walk once again.

Yet any amount helps. You can make a tax-deductible donation through our website, annfoundation.org, using Paypal, or by sending a check to Ann Foundation, 20 Old Shelter Rock Rd. Roslyn, NY, 11576.

We cannot ignore the dire need of these earthquake victims. And we cannot give them the chance to rebuild their lives without your help.

This is our new location for our Prosthetics project



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