

## Healey International Relief Foundation News: March 2017

--Turning Scars Into Stars--

### Report From Sierra Leone

The HealeyIRF team had a very successful trip to Sierra Leone in March. After visiting our orphan interim care centers and touring our clinics and hospitals we return with the knowledge that our programs are reaching vulnerable populations in need.

A more detailed trip report will be provided in our April newsletter, but please enjoy this photographic tour of our trip to Salone. [Click here for our March 2017 Report from Sierra Leone and take the virtual tour!](#)



### Welcome our new partner -- TaTed Shoes

*If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together.*  
-African Proverb

At HealeyIRF we believe in the power of partnerships and welcome our new partner TaTed Shoes. Through their program – "Own a Pair, Give a Pair" – TaTed will tally the shoes they sell during a quarter and provide that same number of shoes to HealeyIRF. Last year HealeyIRF distributed nearly 35,000 pairs of footwear to school children in Sierra Leone. Anyone who has children knows how quickly they grow out of shoes, so this is a very timely collaboration and will help us in our work to provide for children in need in Sierra Leone.



### HealeyIRF Network Increases Delivery Capacity

Important to the success of the HealeyIRF Charity Health Network is the ability to deliver

needed medicines and medical supplies throughout the country. With four hospitals and ten clinics in all provinces and the western area, HealeyIRF vehicles are always on the road delivering supplies. In order to improve our logistics network and increase our delivery capacity, HealeyIRF along with our partner TzuChi, has purchased a medium size truck to be used not only to deliver medicines and medical supplies, but also to deliver rice to Ebola survivors and others in need. The truck should be delivered and added to our logistics fleet in the very near future. This will be a great improvement to our operations!



## [Spotlight on Fatima Interim Care Center](#)



Sisters Agatha and Bernadette are the caregivers at the Fatima Interim Care Center in the Kline Town area, located in one of the poorest slums in Freetown. The Sisters provide a loving and supporting environment for the 20 orphans that live at the ICC. One of the highlights of our trip was visiting this interim care center and being surrounded by the joy and love that radiates from the Sisters and the children. We hope you will enjoy this brief video of our visit.

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