

SAFARICARE PROGRAM

SafariCare Program is a volunteer outreach program that serves people in need around the globe. In 1996, several SCI members who were going hunting in Namibia learned of a serious outbreak of malaria in that area. Determined to do something to reduce the threat of malaria, they delivered a number of duffle bags stuffed with mosquito netting to the villagers in the area. The netting was packed in blue gym-style duffle bags.

From that inaugural step started in 1996, SafariCare Program is one of the largest outreach programs in the world. Today, the supplies are still packed in blue duffle bags, now affectionately called "Blue Bags". Each year, the number of Blue Bags taken to people in need grows. Now the bags are stuffed with medical, educational and other relief supplies.

In 2010, the Redding Regional Chapter donated \$500.00 for medical supplies to fill a Blue bag taken to Africa by Jim Zumbo. In 2011, a Blue Bag was taken to Tanzania by Chapter members, Larry and Maryjane Foster and a Blue Bag was taken to Limpopo by Chapter Secretary Scott Borg. In 2012, two Blue Bags were taken to Limpopo by Chapter members, Jason Queen and Curt Largent.



Coordinators at Shalom Orphanage in Karatu, Northern Tanzania opening a Blue Bag taken by Chapter members Larry and Maryjane Foster on their Photo Safari in 2011.



Elders in the village of Bohum in Limpopo Province receiving a Blue Bag taken by Chapter member Jason Queen on his hunting trip in 2012