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Thanks to your generosity, we have the funds for the continuing care of our kids.

FUNCTIONALLY ACTIVE KIDS

Six-year old Jesus Rafael ricochets through life with a homemade crutch and the jumping skills of a kangaroo.

He will have his first prosthesis by the time you receive this letter. He was also born with webbed fingers on one hand. FAKS will do what we can to ensure that he also receives that life changing corrective surgery.

In addition, we are able to commit to our partner organizations in Guatemala and can take on the prosthetic/orthopedic care of more children. We can't do everything for everyone, but we can provide life-improving devices for a well-motivated few who were born with physical handicaps in countries with few resources to help them. They will be happier, more productive citizens thanks to you.

We wish that we could say that Guatemala and Honduras have made the same progress with Covid vaccinations as we have in the US. However, limited availability of vaccines has less than 1% of the population vaccinated in both countries. The infection rate and death rates in both countries are stubbornly high and are trending upward. The easing of transportation restrictions has made it easier for our patients to travel to clinic appointments but the risk of spreading the disease is obvious.



Helping Kids
Have Better Lives

Flor de Maria's family had secured a primitive first prosthesis several years ago but came to us for help with a much-needed and upgraded replacement. Now she literally dances off to school everyday.



In spite of the limitations imposed by Covid, with the exception of our Honduran patient, all of the kids have made it into a clinic this year for adjustments and repairs. Thanks to your continuing support, we are keeping up with our growing kids and rounding up new patients.

Dominga was born without a forearm. Now as a maturing young lady, a “cosmetic” forearm became very important to her. The limb that we provided is proving to be so useful that she may soon be a candidate for an upgrade to a more functional gripping hand.