



# Public Private Cooperation

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- Continuing Promise 2018 Colombia, Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Honduras and Panama
- New Horizons 2018 Panama
- Beyond the Horizon 2018 El Salvador
- Community resilience activities in multiple countries

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## U.S. Strengthens Partnerships in Belize and the Dominican Republic One Block at a Time



United States and partner nation military service members, NGOs, and other civilian organizations worked side by side during humanitarian and civic assistance exercises **New Horizons 2017** and **Beyond the Horizon 2017** this Spring.

United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM), through Air Forces Southern (AFSOUTH) and United States Army South (ARSOUTH), has sponsored these exercises in Central and South America and the Caribbean since the 1980's.

During these events, groups collaborated to provide free medical care and engineering support to local populations while U.S. troops conducted training in civil-military operation skill sets. Some of these efforts are highlighted on the following pages.

We thank those groups who collaborated with us on these activities this year, and welcome others who may wish to participate in the future!





# Engaging...

The *New Horizons 2017* mission took place in the Provinces of Azua, San Juan de la Maguana, and Elias Piña, Dominican Republic, between March and July 2017. The exercise involved four engineering projects: the construction of three clinics, in Hato Nuevo Cortez, Corbano Norte, and Corbano Sur, and one vocational training school in Arroyo Cano. Military members conducted an additional six medical missions, ranging from general medicine to specialty surgeries and dental care, that treated over 11,000 patients. In addition to engineering projects and medical engagements, *New Horizons 2017* Task Force's Civil Affairs planners coordinated a number of community events in conjunction with the host nation government and USSOUTHCOM consisting of health care, education, and sports initiatives.

One of the largest community engagement initiatives during the mission was a baseball clinic held in San Juan de la Maguana. Task Force Airmen and former Major League Baseball players from the Major League Baseball Players Association volunteered their time to teach baseball skills to over 200 local children, while also discussing the importance of education, health promotion, and good character. The collaboration of NGOs, private sector, and academia were key to the success of the event. Over 400 community members enjoyed food and camaraderie, and received donations of hygiene kits and baseball equipment from members of the American Chamber of Commerce Dominican Republic, and NGO's Food for the Hungry and Operation Smile.



U.S. service members hand out certificates of appreciation to Sanar una Nación volunteers during NH17 in Azua and San Juan de la Maguana, Dominican Republic. [Click to watch a clip!](#)



U.S. service members construct a medical clinic in Hato Nuevo de Cortez, Dominican Republic. [Click to watch a clip!](#)



Donations from NGO's Midwest Mission Distribution Center, Supplies Over Seas and The Message Program transported via the [Department of Defense-Humanitarian Assistance Transportation Program](#) at no cost to the donors!



U.S. service members and MLBPA players teach baseball skills to over 200 local children in San Juan de la Maguana, Dominican Republic!





Advanced Nursing students from Florida International University assisted service members during medical engagements in Belize. [Click to read more!](#)



A U.S. service member examines a host nation patient at a Beyond the Horizon medical site in Belize.



St. Matthews Government School received 400 brand new school desks donated by Global Aid Consultants, Midwest Mission Distribution Center and LDS Charities during Beyond the Horizon 2017 Belize.

## ... for effect

The *Beyond the Horizon 2017* mission took place in the Departments of Ladyville, San Ignacio, and Dangriga, Belize, during the same timeframe as *New Horizons 2017*. This exercise involved six engineering projects: three-classroom addition at St. Matthews Government School, the construction of two rural clinics: the Double Head Cabbage Health Center and Ladyville Polyclinic, and an emergency room expansion, construction of an ambulance bay, and installation of a new medical incinerator at Western Regional Hospital. Three medical engagements provided free care to over 17,000 Belizeans.

USSOUTHCOM J7/9 Exercises and Coalition Affairs, Public Private Cooperation Division, collaborated with over 40 local and international non-governmental organizations, businesses, and academic institutions for these two exercises. Groups helped provision the new facilities in both Belize and the Dominican Republic with essential medical and school supplies, provided over 100 medical student volunteers to serve as interpreters during the medical missions, and helped support surrounding communities. All of these activities positively impacted and enhanced the lives of thousands of underserved local families.

Local and international organization collaboration remains key to the success of the annual *New Horizons* and *Beyond the Horizon* missions. After our service members have returned to the U.S., local organizations can help ensure the long-term success and sustainment of these new community clinics and schools. By developing these stakeholder relationships throughout the exercise process, and making new bonds between international and local groups along the way, we collectively ensure the new facilities have a positive, long-lasting effect on these communities for years to come.



St. Matthews Government School students receive brand new school desks during Beyond the Horizon 2017 Belize! [Click to watch a clip!](#)

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Check out the Beyond the Horizon Facebook page!



*Did you know that the U.S. Government enables U.S. based non-governmental sources to transport humanitarian aid at little or no cost to the donor? [Click to read more!](#)*

## New Horizons/Beyond the Horizon 2017 Participating NGOs, Businesses, and Academia

American Chamber of Commerce Dominican Republic  
Anderson Trucking  
Aquazul Purified Water- Belize  
Best Sanitation Service - San Ignacio, Belize  
Belize Missionaries  
Belize Waste Control  
BNE Charitable Trust Fund  
Bowen & Bowen - Belize City, Belize  
Bowen & Bowen - Dangriga, Belize  
Cayo Rentals - Belize  
CitiHope International- Dominican Republic  
Cruz Jiminian Foundation- Dominican Republic  
Direct Relief  
Family City Supermarket, Belize  
Federación Nacional de Peloteros Profesionales (FENAPEPRO)- Dominican Republic  
Florida International University Nursing School  
Food and Beverage Company-San Ignacio, Belize  
Food for the Hungry  
Food for the Poor  
Global Aid Consultants  
JAMSBooks  
King's Rentals, Belize  
LDS Charities- Belize City, Belize  
LDS Charities- Dominican Republic  
Major League Baseball Players Association (MLBPA)  
Major League Baseball Players Alumni Association (MLBPAA)  
McNabb Visual Strategies - Belize  
Midwest Mission Distribution Center  
Newmont Mining  
Ninja Mac- Stann Creek District Belize  
Project C.U.R.E.  
Rotary Club of Belize- Belize City, Belize  
Sanar una Nación - Dominican Republic  
Scouts of Belize  
Sunrise Rotary- Belize  
SHUZZ Foundation  
Spirit of America  
Supplies Over Seas  
Syd Consultoria- Dominican Republic  
The Message Program  
Operation Smile - Dominican Republic  
Universidad Iberoamericana (UNIBE) - Dominican Republic  
Zeta Corporation- San Ignacio, Belize

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appreciates your support! Your incredible efforts  
changed lives across the region!***

