



2018: Surgical Center Grand Opening



Aerial View of Holy Innocents Children's Hospital Campus

Surgical Center Compete!

The grand opening of the Surgical Center is scheduled for December 1, 2018. The planning, fundraising and construction of the Surgical Center has kept us busy for the last five years, but opening day is finally here!

It will take some time for the Surgical Center to become financially self-sufficient.

In the interim, we will provide financial assistance as staffing increases and the Surgical Center ramps up to full capacity.

It won't take long for the Surgical Center to reach full capacity. Mbarara is the home of 500,000 people. Fifty-five percent of Mbarara's population is under 18 years old. The Surgical Center will be the only surgical facility in Mbarara dedicated solely to pediatric surgeries. In fact, it is the only pediatric surgical facility in all of Uganda.

The types of surgery performed will be similar to a typical children's hospital in the

USA. There is always the need for tonsils to be removed and tubes for infected ear canals. The Surgical Center will be able to perform appendectomies, hernia repair, procedures to heal fractures, internal bleeding and abdominal injuries, and treatment of various types of cancer.

We are very excited that the Surgical Center is finished. It would not have happened without the faithful support of our donors and the dedication of our volunteers. Thank you all!

A NEW ERA IN HEALTHCARE FOR THE CHILDREN OF MBARARA HAS BEGUN!



Busy Hospital Ward



Why? For the Children.



Neonatal Intensive Care Demand is Growing



Operating Room

Our Current Need: a Dedicated Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

You may have heard that our final project for Holy Innocents Children's Hospital would be construction of additional housing for the Hospital's medical staff. Recently, a new priority has arisen. The government of Uganda has designated Holy Innocents a Regional Resource Hospital for infants. This means that seven local hospitals are referring all their cases involving premature newborns and other babies in critical condition to Holy Innocents.

As a consequence, the number of infants needing intensive care has increased dramatically. Holy Innocents urgently needs to increase beds available in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit ("NICU"). The Governing Board of the hospital has asked us to construct and furnish a new NICU ward. We have agreed to take on this project and cancel the construction of additional staff housing. After all, the babies come first.

Although the construction of the dedicated NICU ward presents a challenge, it is also a testament to the great success we have achieved. The Ugandan government has recognized Holy Innocents' excellence in treating those children most at risk.



Newborn in Temporary Neonatal Intensive Care Unit

Thanks to your generosity we can make the expansion of the NICU a reality! Thank You to all our Donors.