

CMAF Helping to Reopen Chisang Clinic



Villagers will be an integral part of establishing how the clinic will best serve the needs and concerns of the surrounding community.

Facts about Chisang Clinic

Location: Bhawanee, Morang District, East Nepal

Area population: Estimated 200,000 living within 12 miles of Bhawanee.

Residents to be served: 30,000 villagers living within a 3-mile radius of Bhawanee.

Property/building owner: Debendra Karki, CMAF's collaborative partner and CEO of Chisang Service Committee, a Nepalese NGO that will manage the clinic.

Reopening: 2012

While CMAF Founder and CEO Carol Vernal was in Nepal in late 2010, she met Debendra Karki, who introduced her to his village, Bhawanee, and a small empty clinic that he had built in 2003. The clinic was operated by a Nepalese NGO for five years, providing primarily OB/GYN services. Political unrest resulted in the clinic closing, and it has been vacant since, waiting for someone to adopt it.

Debendra has a Ph.D. in Health Management and Policy, and a post graduate degree in Anthropology from Harvard University. He has worked with the World Health Organization and USAid in Nepal. He is now dedicated to reopening the medical clinic, to be called Chisang Clinic, and will partner with CMAF to achieve that goal.

Services

- OB/GYN
- Pediatric (diarrhea, colds, cuts, rashes, etc.)
- First aid for burns and snake bites
- Nutritional counseling
- Family planning consultations
- Diabetes education

2011 Fund-raising Goal: \$35,000

General Development Plan

1. Clean and renovate building.
2. Work with International Medical Equipment Collaborative to ship low-cost medical supplies and equipment for the clinic.
3. Obtain and organize office equipment and supplies.
4. Develop job descriptions and policy and procedure manuals.
5. Hang charts and training posters for diabetic care, family planning, snake bite, and other ailments.
6. Hire, train and supervise 2 – 3 medical staff.
7. Post a list services available and hours of operation for clinic and home visits.
8. Open doors in 2012.

Economic Sustainability Factors

- Six potential revenue-producing kiosks are located near the clinic.
- A small fee for medical services will be charged for those who can afford to pay (sliding scale).
- Villagers will assist in the maintenance of buildings and grounds.

As partners we can share our energy and experience to provide medical care for his village and the surrounding community, estimated to have 30,000 people living within a 3-mile radius of Bhawanee. Debendra has formed a grass-roots Nepalese NGO, called the Chisang Service Committee, to design and operate the clinic.



The clinic includes rooms that can accommodate four people each, and one private room or office for future use.



Six kiosks in front of the clinic can provide needed products and services for patients and rent income for the clinic.