P.E.T. NEWS

PET MI-Saline Newsletter

PET MI-Saline needs you!

Personal **E**nergy **T**ransportation ® (PET) seeks to provide mobility to leg-handicapped persons in developing countries by donating hand-cranked 3 wheeled vehicles to persons in need. PET MI-Saline is one of two dozen locations in the US where PET vehicles are made. We began operating in 2008. You too can become part of this awesome project!

2015 Activities

We continued the "model changeover" with implementation of a new seat design, and new brake mechanism. These changes enable adjusting the seat to the user, prevention of pressure sores, and a better brake that needs less user effort.

In October, we finished our 200th PET! Your support made this possible!

Help us continue sending PETs to those in need! We welcome volunteer workers and financial donors to become part of this worthy cause. <u>We need YOU!</u>

"There are in excess of 20 million people in developing countries unable to walk . All Affiliates, partsmakers, financial supporters, distribution partners and others engaged in the ministry of the PET Project are asked to consider, prayerfully and earnestly, the extent to which they can contribute ..."



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PET[®] MI-Saline

This is a PET made by PET MI-Saline



A PET recipient in Honduras

Give the Gift of Mobility!

PET History – the beginning

In 1995, Reverend Larry Hills, missionary in Zaire (now Congo), Africa, told Reverend Mel West of the great need for threewheeled, hand-cranked wheelchairs for victims of polio and landmines. Mel contacted Earl Miner, product designer and longtime friend and mission partner, and the process of the prototype design began. Mel began making PETs in his garage, and now 24 Affiliate locations produce PETs. Over 50,000 PETs have been distributed to people in 100 countries.

How PETs are distributed

The units are donated to partnering field organizations or individuals who handle the importation costs, assessment of beneficiaries, and the distribution of the carts to the disabled. There is no expense to the distribution partner for the carts themselves, they are gladly donated. Following the distribution, the partner is asked to supply a report with photographs regarding the outcomes of the project.

PETs go to 100 Countries

We ship completed PETS by motor freight to partners such as Hope Haven, Global Aid Network, MedWish, and many others. Our partners have distribution networks all over the world.

We don't always know where the PETs we've made go. Some have gone to Kenya, Haiti, Zimbabwe, and Peru.

Wherever our PETs go, they will help people gain mobility, enabling trips to earn a living, go to school, to market, to church, and to get up out of the dirt they crawl in.

You are needed by The PET Project! You can make a difference in someone's life by giving them mobility.

PET MI-Saline's workshop is located in nearby Milan, MI.



Volunteers Will Minnette and Clarke Macy loading PETs for shipping.



Volunteer Paul Klanke puts finishing touches on the front of a PET frame.



Above — PET cart made by PET MI—Saline, donated to this recipient in Kenya



A man in Ecuador with his PET cart

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