

Flying Samaritans

Mother Lode Chapter

Volunteer Medical Provider Information

Updated: October 24, 2023

Are you a medical professional (current or retiree) who has been looking for an opportunity to do meaningful work in a beautiful location? We have open volunteer positions for physicians, nurses, dental, optical and other medical professionals!

We provide free, monthly medical, dental and vision care clinics to the needy in San Quintin, Baja, Mexico since 1977. San Quintin is about 150 nm south of San Diego.

Our volunteer team of volunteers travel by general aviation aircraft to San Quintin each month. All clinic services, medications, eyeglasses, and vitamins are provided free of charge to those we serve.

We depart on the Friday morning of a clinic weekend, operate the clinic on Saturday, then return on Sunday. Sample Itinerary:

Day 1 (Friday):

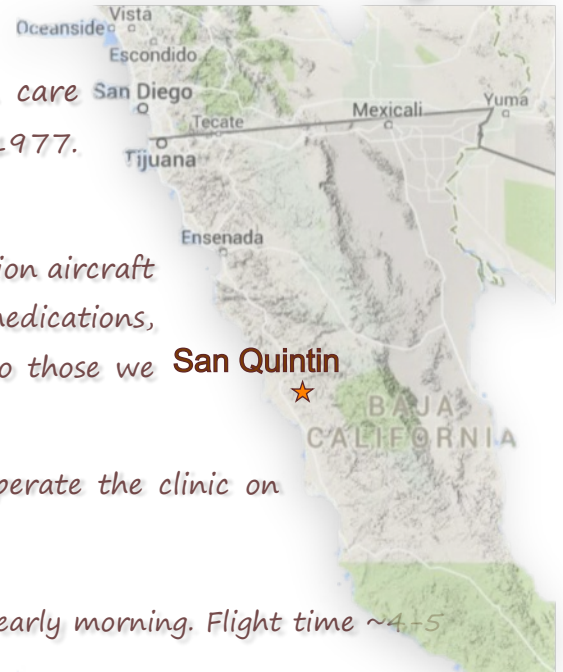
- Depart from assigned General Aviation airport typically early morning. Flight time ~4+5 hours.*
- We will pass through Mexicali to pay Mexican entry visas and use the restroom.*
- Upon arrival in San Quintin, we will check into the hotel and have a team meeting.*
- Dinner in town (street tacos) or at the hotel on your own.*

Day 2 (Saturday):

- Breakfast at the hotel.*
- Bright and early departure to set up for clinic day.*
- 8AM until ~ 4PM: Operate medical, dental and optical clinics.*
- Lunch run for street tacos by one of our volunteers. Rotating lunch break depending on patient load.*
- Pack up and close down by 5PM (depending on patient load, may be earlier).*

Day 3 (Sunday):

- Breakfast at the hotel.*
- Morning departure from San Quintin, with expected return time to your assigned airport around 4PM.*



For more information, email:

membership@flyingsamaritansmotherlode.org

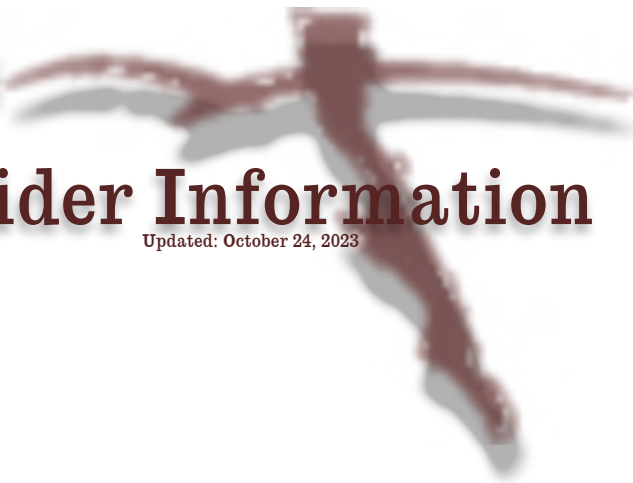


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How To Sign Up For A Clinic...

1) Become an Flying Samaritans member

- Go to website: www.flyingsamaritans.net
- Click "Join" -> Join Flying Samaritans
- Primary Chapter: Mother Lode
- Input personal information including First/Last Name, email
- Website email/website password will be username and password login
- Select Mother Lode as Primary Chapter/Region

2) Pay membership dues

- Go to website: www.flyingsamaritans.net
- Click "Join" -> Pay membership
- Membership dues are \$50/year, which covers all trips you attend during your year of membership. "Per Clinic" costs are outlined below.

3) Sign up for clinic trip

- Go to website: www.flyingsamaritans.net
- Click "Schedule" -> Mission Sign Up
- Select "Los Pinos (Alma Luminosa) MEDICAL/OPTICAL/DENTAL clinic"
- On the right hand column, you will find the dates for each clinic. There is typically a clinic scheduled the second weekend of each month. Register for your desired month, ensuring your passport information on the "Customs" tab of your profile is EXACTLY the same as shown on your passport.

4) Upload Necessary Paperwork

- Release of Liability Complete this and have a witness sign/date the form. Save as a SINGLE PDF and email to docs@flyingsamaritansmotherlode.org This needs to be completed at least 15 days prior to departure for a clinic.
- Medical license information for MD/DO/PA/NP/RN. Upload a photo of your license to your profile by clicking Members -> Volunteer Waivers & Certs tab on the left-hand menu column.

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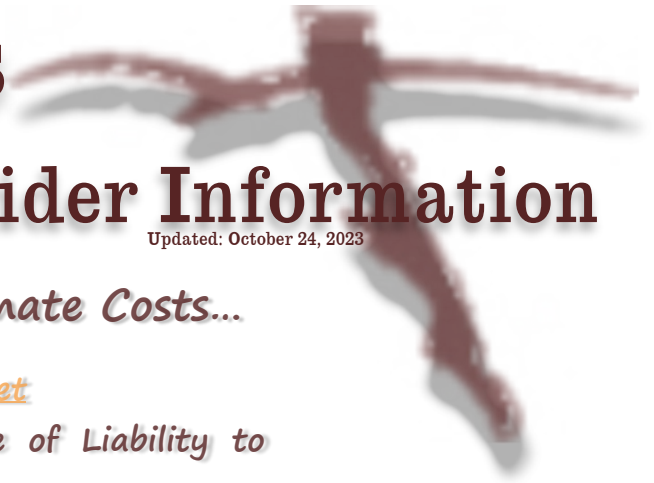


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Medical Clinic Checklist and Approximate Costs...

- Register for a clinic on www.flyingsamaritans.net
- Submit a signed digital copy of the Release of Liability to docs@flyingsamaritansmotherlode.org.
- Upload medical certifications to your profile on www.flyingsamaritans.net
- Within 3-7 days of departure, the Transportation Coordinator will assign you to a pilot/plane and departure details will be confirmed.
- Fuel cost sharing to be paid directly to your pilot on departure day: \$250 cash. If you cancel after you have been assigned to a pilot and your seat is unable to be filled, you will still be required to pay your share of fuel costs.
- Pack a bag. Keep weight as close to 10 lbs as possible.
- Recommended items: stethoscope, light jacket, scrubs, PASSPORT, toiletries, mosquito repellent, bag lunch/snack for the flight down (no crumbs, please).

Approximate Cost To Attend A Clinic...

- Order Mexican pesos via your bank or bring US dollars. Total ~\$550 USD
 - \$250 for fuel cost sharing (USD) as described above
 - ~\$38 USD for Mexican entry visa
 - ~\$25 USD for dinner Friday night
 - ~\$12 USD for breakfast Saturday morning at hotel
 - ~\$8 USD for lunch on Saturday (food from local taqueria)
 - ~\$20 - \$40 USD for dinner Saturday night
 - \$15 USD for breakfast Sunday morning at hotel
 - \$180 USD for hotel (\$90/night x 2 nights)
 - ~\$10 USD for Mexican exit visa

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Volunteer team!



Our clinic courtyard...



One of our young patients.



Saturday dinner!

Our beach side hotel



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