

**Welcome to the 6th
Annual SAMA
Fundraiser**



This evening, we hope to share with you

- ❖ Our mission and 2023/24 impact
- ❖ Project to improve critical care infrastructure in rural Serbia
- ❖ Lovely evening generously donated by our host and board member Branko Palikuca

Since our founding, our mission has been to

1. Improve healthcare conditions in Serbia and the Balkans.
2. Foster medical education and promote collaboration between health care workers and scientists of Serbian heritage in America and Serbia.
3. Advocate for better access and healthcare policy in Serbia and throughout the Balkans.



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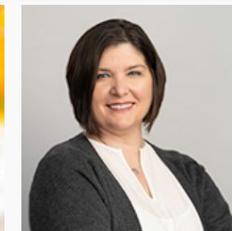
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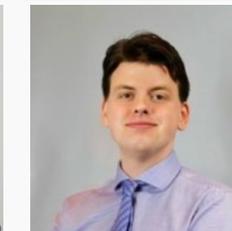
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A brief look at our impact in 2023/2024

2023

Total Donated: \$170,454.34

Total Spent: \$138,883,04

Total Population Impact: 110,000-120,000

2024

Total Donated: \$105,210.66

Total Spent: \$120,896.60

Total Population Impact: 110,000-120,000

And here are just a few examples of how your generous donations in 2023 empowered Serbian clinicians to provide better critical and sometimes life-saving care...

Autoclave, CTG, Linear Probe and PT Equipment in Pozega

Use: Autoclave is a device used to sterilize equipment and materials

Tympanogram is a diagnostic test used to evaluate the functioning of the middle ear.

A **CTG** (Cardiotocography) is a medical test used during pregnancy to monitor the fetal heartbeat and uterine contractions

A **linear probe** (or linear transducer) is a type of ultrasound probe that produces high-frequency sound waves and is used primarily for imaging structures that are near the surface of the body.

PT devices for laser therapy and electrotherapy.

Cost: \$26,790.33

Population: 26,000

10,000 Patient visits a year

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2023



EKG, Autoclave and Ultrasound in Topola

Use:

EKG is a medical test that records the heart's electrical activity, allowing healthcare providers to assess its rhythm and function.

Autoclave is a device used to sterilize equipment and materials

An **ultrasound** is a safe, non-invasive imaging technique that uses sound waves to produce real-time images of internal body structures, commonly used for diagnostics and monitoring, such as during pregnancy.

Cost: \$30,196.35

Population: 20,000.

10,000 Patient visits a year

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2023



Educational Tools for the Medical School in Štrpce, Kosovo

Use: Essential equipment and anatomy models for nursing student education

Cost: \$4,365

Population: 10,000

Geographic Location: Kosovo and Metohija

Delivered: 2023



Healthcare Data Backup System in Šabac

Use: Technical equipment that ensured the smooth operation of the system keeping the database running during the COVID pandemic and covering the entire Šabac region.

Cost: \$590

Population: 105,000

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2023



Two ECG's in Bogatic

Use: EKG is a medical test that records the heart's electrical activity, allowing healthcare providers to assess its rhythm and function.

Cost: \$3,799.86

Population: 24,000

35-50 patient per day

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2024



Defibrillator in Novi Bečej

Use: A defibrillator is a medical device that delivers an electrical shock to the heart to restore normal rhythm in cases of life-threatening arrhythmias

Cost: \$7,405.04

Population: 20,000

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2023



Hospital Beds with Furniture in Guca

Use: Hospital beds are designed to provide comfort, support, and safety for patients during their stay in medical facilities. 20 modern beds, mattresses, and infusion stands, were donated.

Cost: \$18,310.90

Population Served: 32,000

3,000 Patient visits a year

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2023



Intermittent Pneumatic Compression Devices in Belgrade

Use: Medical devices that apply rhythmic pressure to the limbs using inflatable sleeves to promote blood flow, reduce swelling, and prevent deep vein thrombosis (DVT) in patients, particularly during immobility or after surgery.

Cost: \$16,375.45

Population Served: 17,000

Geographic Location: Serbia

Delivered: 2023



Supporting Women's Health in Serbia

Ultrasound for Belgrade Polyclinic

Cost: \$25,500

Population Served: 25K

Geographic Location: Belgrade, Serbia

Delivered: 2024



Mobile Clinic for Cervical Cancer Screening in Rekovac

Cost: \$2,200

Population Served: 800

Geographic Location: Rekovac, Serbia

Delivered: 2024



Here's the impact last year's Topaz
dinner alone had on
communities throughout Serbia

Recapping 2023 Topaz Fundraiser

Collected

2023 Topaz Café fundraiser	\$118,610.00
SAMA funds	\$16,893.15
	\$135,503.15

Delivered

Biochemical analyzer for HC Kozarska Dubica	\$21,132.34
Biochemical analyzer for HC Gacko	\$21,132.34
Blood counter for HC Ljubinje	\$12,500.29
Digital X-Ray System for HC Gacko	\$80,738.18
	\$135,503.15

Chemical analyzers in Kozarska Dubica and Gacko

Use: Chemical analyzer is an equipment used to determine, characterize, and quantify chemical components in liquid (blood, plasma, serum, urine, etc.).

Cost: \$42,500

Population Served: 30,000

Geographic Location: Republika Srpska/Herzegovina

Delivered: 2023



Hematologic analyzer in Ljubinja

Use: Hematologic Cell Counter is used to count and identify blood cells at high speed with accuracy.

Cost: \$12,500

Population Served: 4,000

Geographic Location: Republika Srpska

Delivered: 2024



X-Ray Machine in Gacko

Use: A Digital X-ray system is used in various medical settings to capture detailed images of internal structures such as bones, organs, and tissues. It allows for faster, more efficient diagnostic imaging compared to traditional film-based X-rays.

Cost: \$80,728

Population Served: 13,000

Geographic Location: Republika Srpska

Delivered: 2024



Tonight, your support will help us facilitate the provision of critical and life-saving care in five health centers in rural Serbia.

Recognizing the need

We received more than **40 applications** for remodeling village clinics.

We selected **5 clinics** based on potential impact criteria:

- Each clinic serves between 2,000 and 9,000 patients a month.
- All have at least one doctor available 5 days a week.
- Some also operate on weekends.

Health Center Ušće

- **Needs:** New ceiling with insulation, LED lighting installation (40 panels), gutter installation, facade repair, complete floor replacement, windows (21) and doors (15) replacement, and interior painting.
- **Estimated Cost:** \$90K
- **Patients:** 4213 registered patients, ~3k monthly patient visits



HC Gornja Trnava



- **Needs:** Complete floor replacement, window (1) and door (1) replacement, new lighting installation, new toilet, new heating system with 9 radiators, and interior painting.
- **Estimated Cost:** \$19K
- **Population impacted:** 8,000
- **Patients:** 30-100 visits daily

HC Belušić

Needs: Ceiling with lighting, interior painting, and roof replacement (roof not included in current scope).

Estimated Cost: \$16K

Population Impact: 3300 registered patients,
~1600 monthly patient visits

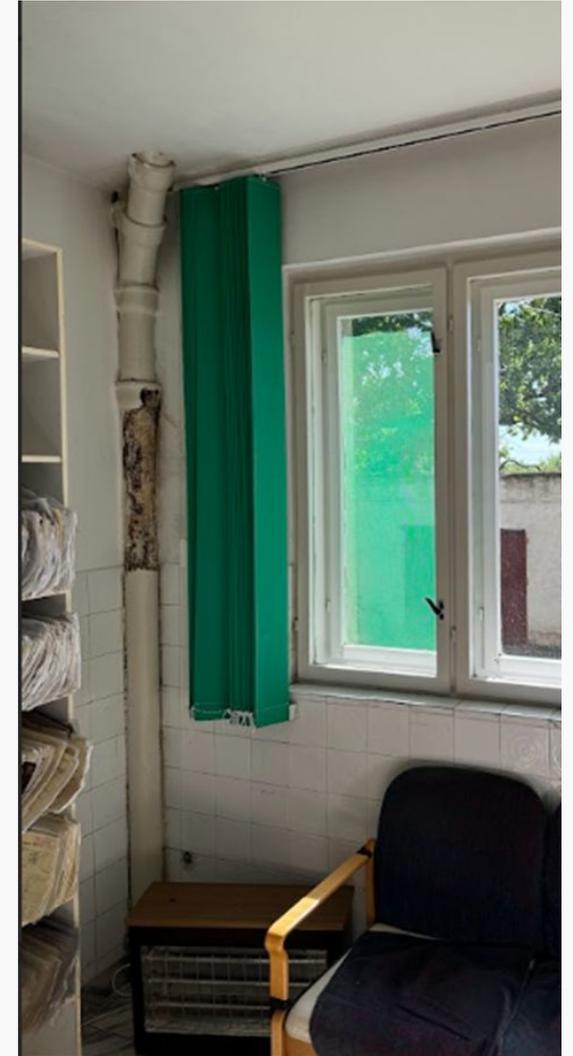


HC Srpska Crnja

Needs: Windows (10) and doors (11) replacement, and entrance stairway rehabilitation.

Estimated: \$18K

Patients: 2000 registered patients,
~800 monthly patient visits



HC Rabrovo

Needs: Windows (7) and entry door replacement.

Estimated: \$9K

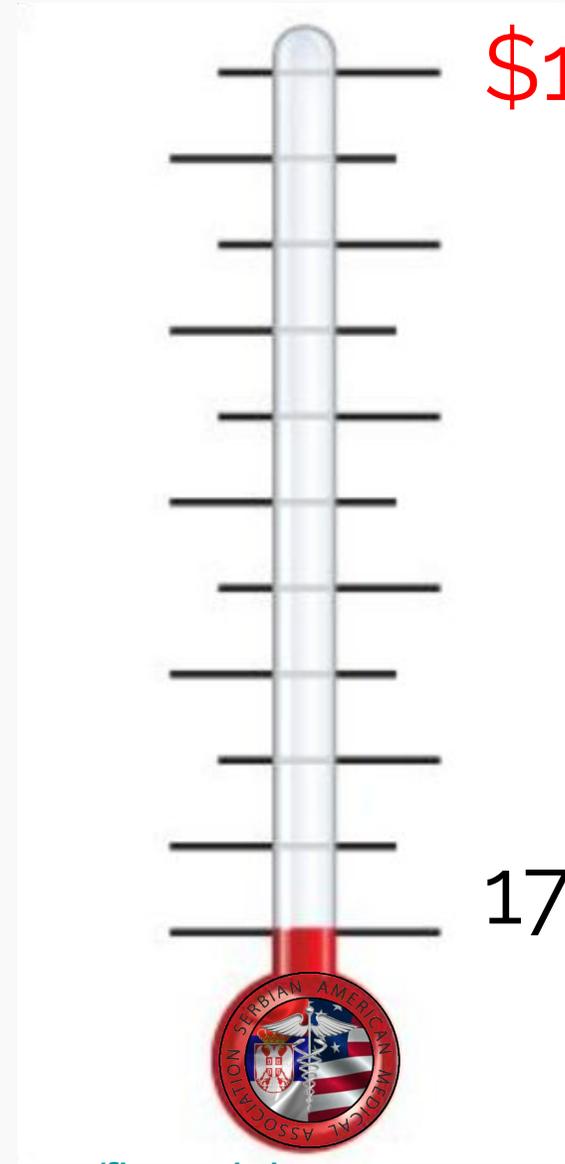
Patients: 1632 registered patients, ~700 monthly patient visits



To Change That, We Need...

- 2024 Accomplishments
 - Canada Walk-A-Thon: \$2K
 - Tennis Tournament: \$15K

Tonight's Fundraising Goal: \$83K



To review our full financial reports please visit serbianama.org/financials

This evening, we were able to reach a significant milestone in our fundraising efforts thanks to your generous donations.

In 2025, we hope to:

- Complete infrastructure improvements in these five health centers.
- Enable corporate donation matching.
- Make an impact on women's healthcare in Serbia through targeted projects.

And we hope to have your continued support.

Thank You!

*If you'd like to get directly involved
in our efforts, please reach out to
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And now, please enjoy your evening.