



SUMMER 2016 NEWSLETTER



VOLUNTEER WORK TEAM **JULY 2016**

A long, long way describes Ana's journey from Brasov to her new home in the US. Ana was 4 and her younger sister, Cristina, was almost 3 in 2003 when they were adopted by Jim and Cyndi, who were living in Dallas at the time.

The Child Protective Services system in Brasov was unaware that the girls were sisters until Jim and Cyndi started the adoption process for Ana. Pieces came together, and it was discovered that Ana had left the orphanage and was placed in a foster home by the time Cristina arrived at the same orphanage. Jim and Cyndi, of course, quickly decided to adopt both girls, and the rest is history, as they say.

[More about our July Volunteer Work Team](#)

IN-KIND (NESS) DONORS

There are many ways to give, and in-kind contributions are a great means of support. John Broussal, a former firefighter and most recently retired from Southwest Airlines, has been a consistent in-kind donor for over 5 years. John came across our webpage in 2010 when he was working with a Romanian woman. She mentioned the high number of orphaned children



VOLUNTEER WORK TEAM - AUGUST 2016

Our second volunteer team this year will follow closely on the heels of the July group leaving on August 18 and returning on September 4. Three repeat volunteers will be on this team—Fred and Dianne--and Robert (Rob) Davis. Rob went on his first trip with Hearts in 2008, so we welcome him back. He has 34 years experience as a registered nurse and 46 years working in healthcare. Rob currently serves as an oncology nurse at The Ohio State University James Comprehensive Cancer Center in Columbus. He has a passion for helping people in need and looks forward to returning to Romania.

Hearts also welcomes newcomer, Ronda. [Learn more](#)

SPONSOR A CHILD PROGRAM

Our sponsors can pack light; they don't need a big suitcase. All they have to bring is a desire to make a difference in the life of a child. Our sponsorship program is, in essence, a family preservation project. Children offered for sponsorship are generally living in their biological home with a parent, or parents, or perhaps grandparents, but the family is struggling to make ends meet. The monthly



in Bucharest after returning from a visit to her homeland, so John began doing an internet search and happened upon the Hearts Across Romania webpage.

John said he has always ached for orphaned kids who have no mother or father to tuck them in at night, give them a warm and loving hug, and provide comfort and shelter to their fragile hearts.

He wanted to let them know that they are not alone in life.

John ships new clothing on a consistent basis to Hearts to deliver to the young men in the transitional program, and he always seems to know what they will like—lots and lots of athletic/sporting clothes, shorts, shoes, backpacks, and even dress clothing, including a suit, ties and shirts. They are indeed a perfect fit for the young men in this program.

Yadira Resurreccion, a VP of International Statistical Marketing for a Fortune 500 company, [more](#)

donation given by our sponsors goes a long way in helping the family meet the basic needs for their children.

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