



ESF's mission:

"To build cultural connections one person and one community at a time through health and wellness"

July 2011 Newsletter

Greetings!

At ESF, We Dream, We Believe, and WE DO!

June was an exciting month for ESF and we have plenty more planned in the next few months!

We deployed **Team G to Haiti** where they had an excellent trip and were able to make an impact on the lives of those still ravaged by the 2010 earthquake.

The ESF leadership team attended the **38th Annual International Conference on Global Health**. Lara Lechtenberg, Crystal Taylor, and myself were in attendance and I was blessed with the honor of being nominated to receive the **Jonathan Mann Award for Global Health and Human Rights**.

We have some volunteer opportunities, speaking engagements, new ESF members, and other events that we are excited to share with you! Thanks for being a part of our journey and be sure to visit us online for more details about these upcoming and past events!

Sincerely,

Shonta D. Collins, Founder and President
Explorers Sans Frontières (ESF)

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DOMESTIC PROGRAMS & NEWS

Fifth Graders Raise Money for ESF - June 15th

ESF member, Dr. Kelly Eberhardt's son, and his fifth-grade class collected pennies over a few months for the school's penny harvest. The board of education gave them a check for \$500 to give to a charity of their choice. The class chose ESF to receive their generous donation. *Thank you Kelly and Muhammadou!*



Philadelphia Youth Network (PYN) - June 28th

Shonta D. Collins was invited to deliver the keynote speech for the PYN's Summer WorkReady Internship Orientation. Collins goal was to prepare these youths, provide a support system, and inspire them to think beyond what is right in front as they embark on their summer internships.

ESF Leadership Team to speak at LaSalle University - July 28th

The students in the Masters of Public Health will be hosting alum Shonta D. Collins as a speaker during one of their summer classes. This is one way ESF Leaders strive for excellence through inspiration and mentorship of future global leaders.

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS & NEWS



ESF Haiti Team G - June 9th-15th

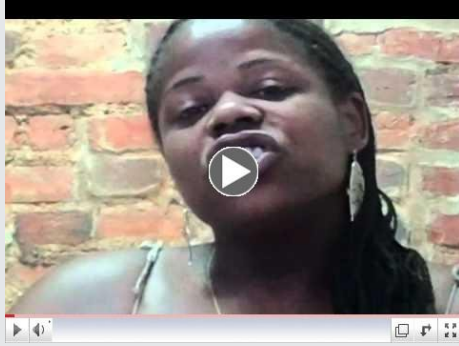
Team G was a huge success as they embarked to Haiti under the leadership of Jen Leary, ESF Director of Disaster Relief. ESF was partnering with Special Olympics, Yele Haiti, and the Haitian American Caucus (HAC) to service the PAP and Croix Des

Bouquets areas.

The volunteers were able to assist in diagnosing and treating numerous adults and children. They performed physical exams, took H&Ps, and dispensed medications as needed. The goal was to help the local community through mobile clinics and kick-starting the urban garden initiative which was effectively completed. We look forward to returning in the next couple months.

If you are interested in volunteering with Haiti, please visit www.explorerssf.org or contact Kelly Quaye at kcquaye@gmail.com





ESF Mobile Clinic

Please check out this great video concerning ESF's mission to provide Mobile Clinics in Haiti. Enjoy!

ESF NEW MEMBERS & PARTNERSHIPS

Board of Advisors - Lawrence James

ESF would like to welcome our new Board of Advisor, **Lawrence James!** Lawrence is the President/CEO of Connexus Technology and spearheads the company's business development.

Before launching Connexus in 2000, Lawrence co-founded OnStreets.com, where he developed strategic plans and implemented technology solutions for the company's clients. Lawrence holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Information Technology from Drexel University. He will be a great asset to our leadership team at ESF!

ESF Team Member - Kelly Quaye

ESF would like to introduce **Kelly Quaye** our new Volunteer and Information Dissimination Coordinator. Kelly will be taking care of new and current volunteer coordination as well as organizing all information for the website and ESF documents. Welcome aboard, Kelly!

UNA-GP Partnership

ESF is excited to welcome the new partnership with the **United Nations Association of Greater Philadelphia!** They have so graciously allowed us to use their space for meetings and upcoming events. We are happy to bring another organization on board with our efforts!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Macy's Shop for a Cause - August 27th

For the 3rd year in a row, ESF will be participating in Macy's Shop for a Cause. We will be hosting a health and wellness fair at Willow Grove Mall August 27th from 10am-4pm.

CDC Rhythm & Blues Festival - September 17th

ESF will co-host a community health fair at the Rhythm & Blues Festival September 17th from 11am-4pm. The festival is sponsored by the Partnership CDC (CDC) and a host of other supporters. The festivities will be located at 40th and Market Streets in West Philadelphia.

West Philadelphia Senior Center - October 9th

ESF will co-host a community health fair at the West Philadelphia Senior Center October 9th from 10am-2pm located at 1016 N. 41st Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104.

To volunteer for these upcoming events, please contact Kelly Quaye at kcquaye@gmail.com

Thanks for being a part of our journey! Also, you can give year-round through the **Giving Seed** www.thegivingseed.com or buy Fair Trade Coffee through **Dean's Bean Coffee** at www.explorerssf.org

Sincerely,
The ESF Team