

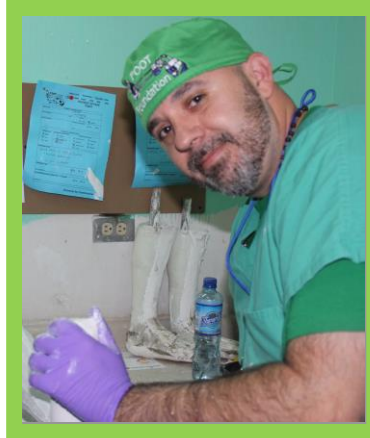
How We Got Started (by Dino Scanio)

My passion for helping others began at an early age. After becoming an American Board Certified and State Licensed Orthotist, I wanted to start a humanitarian clinic. In 2007, with the help of my family, I made this dream come true. The FOOT Foundation clinic in Guatemala City specializes in children, and has provided orthotics and prosthetics to over 250 children and counting.



My wife, Lisa, is Co-Founder and Fundraising Chairperson. Responsible for all aspects of fundraising and selecting Florida charities seeking Foundation assistance, Lisa focuses on small local charities. They may not receive global exposure, but they perform great acts of charity in our own backyard.

My wife and I are Tampa natives and have been blessed with two sons. Our youngest son was diagnosed with Progressive Mitochondrial Myopathy in 2012. Therefore, we also provide ongoing education and awareness about this disease.



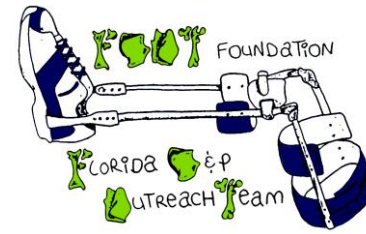
On the Horizon...Our Second Clinic is in the Final Stages (by Dino Scanio)

The second FOOT Foundation Clinic will open in 2017 in old Antigua, Guatemala at Santo Hermano de Pedro hospital. For 9 years, I have visited the hospital to spend time with children and adults that desperately need care, and each year I have dreamed of helping them. My dream has NOW come true! A partnership has been formed, and on our 10 year Anniversary, our second clinic will begin to Improve Lives! A fully functional Orthotic lab and Clinic is in the final stages of construction. The FOOT Foundation will provide proper clinical care, fabrication training and educational standards so that Orthotic care can continue for years to come!



Show Us Your Smile...and Your Support!

We love pictures of our supporters! Wear your Foundation apparel proudly and share your photos with us on Facebook (FOOT Foundation) or Twitter (@FOOTFoundation1). Thank you for helping us Improve Lives, One Person at a Time!



The mission of The FOOT Foundation - Florida O & P Outreach Team is to provide orthotic and prosthetic services to children and adults of impoverished countries. The Foundation is also committed to giving back to local community charity organizations and to increasing awareness for Mitochondrial Disease.

Florida O&P Outreach Team: Improving Lives One Person at a Time

2016 Clinical Team Helps Improve Lives, One Person At a Time! (by Dino Scanio)

The 2016 clinic was marked with great success. Over 45 children were cared for with love and compassion, each receiving custom orthotics and prosthetics. The team saw patient after patient, family after family, from dawn until well after dusk. Every moment is special during clinic but some moments are so beautiful that they take your breath away. They make the hours and hours of work, achy muscles and lack of sleep just melt away, leaving behind pure joy.



Last year, this sweet girl cried and cried when Dino put her braces on. Walking was foreign; she had never taken a single step. This same child stopped by the clinic this year with her mom to show Dino what she could do. She walked the entire lab...and walked right into their hearts! Is there anything more gratifying than that???



The generosity of individuals who have so little themselves is one of the most beautiful examples of humanity. This little girl's grandmother wove these as a gift of gratitude. The goodness of others is what moves the FOOT Foundation Team to continue to improve lives!

We were honored to receive a visit from the First Lady of Guatemala, who was grateful to get a tour and meet some of our wonderful patients. She personally thanked each team member and the Foundation for our years of commitment to the children of Guatemala, and vowed to continue providing us with government support.



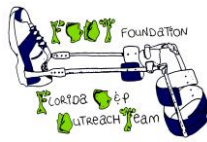
For all pictures, media articles, and more on this wonderful trip, please visit our website.



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You're NEVER Too Young to Volunteer! (by Lisa Scanio)

Do you think you're too young to make a difference? Well think again! Kids can volunteer their time and energy in so many different ways. Hosting an impromptu lemonade stand, completing a school service project, or even just helping to cook a meal or clean the house for an ill or injured friend or neighbor. These are all simple but successful ways for youngsters to Improve Lives...One Person at a Time!



Emily, 10, made and sold creative socks to raise money, and also donated socks for the children in Guatemala.



Tyler, 11 and Peyton, 6, made awesome bracelets to sell for Mito Awareness!



Members of the St. Timothy Catholic Church youth group helped the Foundation get ready for Guatemala this year.

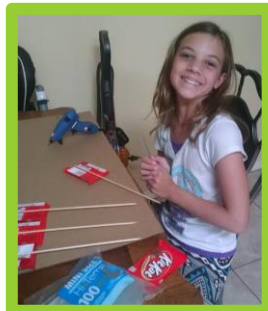
When children learn to volunteer at a young age, it becomes a natural part of their life. I can't think of a better gift to leave the world with than children with love and compassion for humanity.

Just take a look at the efforts of a few of our youngest volunteers. Their wonderful support and contributions help us fulfill our Mission and fill our hearts with joy!

Giovanni, now 10, has volunteered more than 100 hours since the age of 6.



Avery, now 13, has been giving her time and talent each year since the age of 10.



Harper, 8, just held her 2nd annual Lemonade stand to raise money for Mito!

Local Charity Support - HOPE Children's Home (by Lisa Scanio)

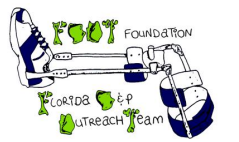
In honor of the Canonization of Mother Teresa, The FOOT Foundation chose HOPE Children's Home as the local charity to support this year. Founded in 1968, Hope Children's Home has rescued nearly 5,000 children between the ages of infant to 18 years of age. Most of these children have been discarded, abused, unwanted, or orphaned. We felt that this was the perfect opportunity to teach our children about the wonderful, selfless deeds of Mother Teresa, while at the same time incorporating volunteerism and charity. We gathered a group



of 30 to join us for this event. It was a spirit-filled and rewarding experience. We donated more than \$1,000 worth of greatly needed items, and spent a day volunteering



at the Children's Home. We applaud the efforts of this most deserving organization and hope that we were able to make a small difference in the lives of these wonderful children.



Camp H.O.P.E. (by Dino Scanio)

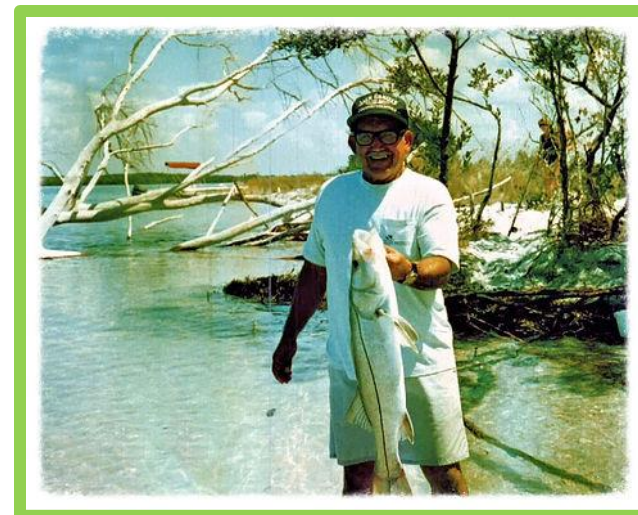
A dream has now become reality!!! The FOOT Foundation will be hosting our inaugural Mitochondrial Disease Camp for families. Camp H.O.P.E. (Handling Obstacles through Play and Education) will be May 5-7, 2017 at the Lakewood Retreat campgrounds in Brooksville, FL. This will be the first family-based camp focused on Mitochondrial Disease in Southeast United States!

Families of children with Mitochondrial Disease will laugh, have fun, learn and make lifelong memories at Camp H.O.P.E. next year, and hopefully for years to come. They will spend 3 days relaxing, playing and learning to handle challenges and how to overcome obstacles. The goal is to provide a feeling of "Summer Camp" to children who may never be exposed to a rite of passage most children experience.



15 to 20 children with Mitochondrial Disease will attend camp with their parents and siblings. Improving Lives, One Person at a Time and most of all, providing HOPE!

Dino Scanio and the Scanio family would like to thank everyone who donated to the **Jimmie Scanio Fishing Fund!** Those funds will be used at Camp H.O.P.E. as each child will experience the joy of fishing. Jimmie would have never let a special needs child go without a chance to experience his love for fishing. If you would like to support the passion he had for fishing you can do so through The Jimmie Scanio Fishing Fund on www.footfoundation.org.



*In Memory of Vincenzo "Jimmie" Scanio, II
August 28, 1926 - November 4, 2015*

Please check out our website for updates and information as we get closer to our inaugural camp!

September 19 - 25, 2016 is Global Mitochondrial Awareness Week

Cookies, cakes and candies will be sold to raise funds for ongoing community projects and local awareness about Mitochondrial Disease. Together with your support, we are working toward a cure!

