

TOP PHOTO: **Emannuelle**, burn contracture surgery patient, Cuba

BOTTOM PHOTO: **Kareen**, cancer survivor and breast reconstruction patient, with **Dr. Isabelle Schaison**, Director of Reshaping Lives California



 **100+**  
MISSIONS COMPLETED

 **~700**  
MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS

 **5,500+**  
DOCTORS TRAINED

 **16,500+**  
PATIENTS TREATED

  
COUNTLESS LIVES  
AND COMMUNITIES  
TRANSFORMED

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## History and Mission

Founded in 1999 by renowned plastic surgeon Dr. Larry Nichter, Mission Plastics is a 501-c3 non-profit organization dedicated to providing reconstructive surgery to those in need, training local medical professionals, and supporting ongoing research focused on improving standards of care.

## Overview

Our board-certified volunteer surgeons and medical teams provide reconstructive breast surgery for post-mastectomy women, burn contracture surgery, and corrective surgeries for complex traumatic injuries and disfigurement as a result of cancer and congenital deformities, all at no cost to patients.

We work in the United States and around the globe to **treat** patients, **train** local medical professionals, and **transform** lives. We focus on those in need of reconstructive surgery in medically underserved communities, both locally and globally.

We equip and empower health care teams in their local communities to ensure sustainable and optimal outcomes. We do this by offering hands-on advanced surgical training, education on best practices, follow-up visits, and annual oversight and prevention strategies.

Over the last two decades, Mission Plastics has completed more than 100 missions in 17 countries, trained over 5,000 doctors, and treated over 16,000 patients. We continue to expand our footprint based on the most pressing needs and, to date, have conducted missions in Argentina, Armenia, Afghanistan, Bolivia, Brazil, Cambodia, Cuba, Ecuador, Guatemala, India, Kenya, Laos, Mexico, Nepal, Nicaragua, the United States, and Vietnam. We are proud to be the first non-profit organization to train others in optimal burn management in developing countries.

In the U.S., our highly acclaimed **Reshaping Lives California** program has helped over 1,000 patients in need receive life-changing care from our board-certified volunteer surgeons, at no cost. Based on this success, and through a generous corporate donation from Tiger Aesthetics, we are expanding this program nationally to serve medically underserved patients in the U.S. through our **Reshaping Lives: Full Circle** program.

