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# How To Get **In**Involved:

The ministry impact of Compassion Connect is dependent upon the involvement of our volunteer champions. Without your prayer, financial gifts, and volunteerism nothing of lasting significance happens! Thank you for investing yourselves in others and sharing the opportunities of Compassion Connect with others.

## **PRAYER:**

To find out how you can be praying:  
[prayer@compassionconnect.com](mailto:prayer@compassionconnect.com)

## **GIVE:**

To donate online: [compassionconnect.com/donate](http://compassionconnect.com/donate)  
By check: Please mail your gift to:  
**Compassion Connect**  
12135 SE Lincoln St, Portland OR 97216  
Questions: email: [scott@compassionconnect.com](mailto:scott@compassionconnect.com)

## **VOLUNTEER:**

To sign up for upcoming clinic opportunities: [compassionconnect.com/work/health](http://compassionconnect.com/work/health)  
For other volunteer/internship opportunities: [compassionconnect.com/volunteer](http://compassionconnect.com/volunteer)

Compassion Connect 2012

# ANNUAL REPORT

## Unifying and Mobilizing the Church to Serve



**"A house divided against itself cannot stand":** This truth spoken by Jesus reverberates through history and continues to be central to the work you are doing in your communities today. You are revealing to the broken world around you that there is hope in the loving, stable, community of Jesus. When our churches are divided in our neighborhoods we offer little more than the competitive self-seeking culture that people experience every other day.

You, on the other hand, have taken a stand through your service, giving, and prayer. You made a statement: **"Together we will follow Jesus; we will not fall, rather we will thrive as we draw others to the love of God."**

For this I could never thank you enough. It is an unbelievable privilege to step back and see the scope of what thousands of volunteers and hundreds of churches are doing together. **THANK YOU.** Compassion Connect exists to continue supporting you, encouraging you, and helping you as together we serve as His Church.

As 2013 gets rolling we are excited to build relationships with more churches seeking to serve collaboratively. We are helping new communities launch **Compassion Clinics**. We continue to support the growth of collaboration around the anti-trafficking initiatives in Portland through **Abolition Now**. We are also helping a new initiative to see hundreds of churches enter into the broken foster care system in Oregon. Please continue to get involved through our website and with your volunteer teams.

You know deep in your heart the work we are accomplishing together as **The Church** is shining like a light in the darkness. "In the midst of a crooked and broken generation, we shine like stars in the world" (**Phillipians 2:15**)

Respectfully and with Honor,  
Milan Homola  
Executive Director

**Thank you for making 2012 a success! Your continued prayers and partnership are appreciated!**

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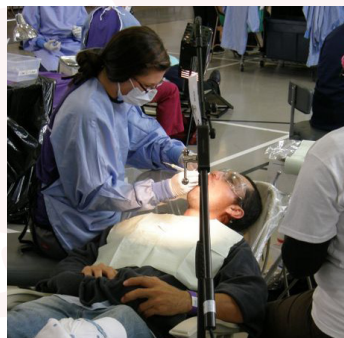
# COMPASSION CLINICS IN 2012:

## COLLABORATIVE HEALTH CARE



**20** neighborhoods, **230** churches and nearly **3,000** volunteers

In four short years since 2009, nearly **\$3,250,000** in free medical and dental care has been provided to those in need



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# ABOLITION NOW HIGHLIGHTS:

## COLLABORATIVE ANTI-TRAFFICKING

### NEW WEBSITE:

The newly launched Abolition Now website is helping churches "Get Informed" and "Get Involved." The Compassion Connect team of writers, editors, photographers and website volunteers have done a remarkable job in launching the new site: ([www.abolitionnow.com](http://www.abolitionnow.com)) and keeping information current and relative to engaging the unified church in the fight to end human trafficking in the Northwest.

### CONNECT PDX CONFERENCE:

A highlight for the year was organizing and sponsoring a collaboration conference for fifty plus organizations, both secular and Christian, called Connect PDX. Reports are that attendees were reenergized in their own work and connected with others for collaborative work. The Multnomah County Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC) executive committee added three more work groups as a direct result of the workshop's outcomes. Connect PDX was a critical advancement in our efforts to end human trafficking in the greater Portland area all to God's glory.

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# ADORNED IN GRACE:

## KATU SPECIAL: "EVERYDAY HEROES" FOCUSES ON ADORNED IN GRACE:



**CHECK IT OUT ON  
YOUR SMARTPHONE**

You can also find the story here: <http://www.katu.com/news/local/Everyday-Heroes-Adorned-in-Grace-186621441.html>

### HIGHLIGHTS:

Regular weekly workshops for small groups of girls began at the Design Studio. A professional architect is leading the charge to complete the permitting process for the expansion of the donated Design Studio space.

Over **90** volunteer hours are being invested every week to raise awareness and funds for the prevention of sex trafficking and support for its victims. Thank you to over 2 dozen volunteers from over a dozen churches.

Over **\$53,000** raised in Shop sales in 2012 and reinvested in ministries fighting against sexual exploitation.

**48** girls living in foster homes and shelters, plus **21** caseworkers and foster parents, attended the Dress for FREEdom event and received hope in Christ through the testimony of a foster care "survivor". The girls took home free prom or banquet dresses and gift cards donated by a generous Compassion Connect family.

An increasing number of exploited women and girls are themselves volunteering at the Adorned in Grace Shop and Design Studio ministries. As they are ministered to, they in turn want to minister to others.

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### NEW WEBSITE LAUNCH – MID FEBRUARY!

Check out our new and improved website coming in mid-February. Stay tuned for updates and details that will increase our communication and effectiveness via the web.

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