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Insights

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Welcome to the February edition of the Ohana One newsletter. The momentum behind our work continues to grow, powered by innovation, partnership, and an extraordinary global community.

In this issue, you will read about the launch of the OO App and its expanding international network, highlights from our recent surgical outreach in Uganda, and an unforgettable gala that raised more than $2 million to strengthen surgical training and mentorship worldwide. Each of these milestones reflects what is possible when purpose and collaboration come together in service of patients and providers.

We also want to hear from you! We want to tell your training or surgical success story

If you are a mentor or mentee, we invite you to share your success story. Tell us about the work your mentor or mentee team is accomplishing. How has your partnership improved patient care? How has Ohana One's mentorship, technology, or technical support helped you deliver better outcomes? Your story may be featured in an upcoming newsletter or on the Ohana One website, inspiring others across our growing global network.

Thank you for being part of the Ohana One community and for helping advance access to safe, sustainable surgical care where it is needed most.

Warmly,

Marchelle Sellers
Executive Director

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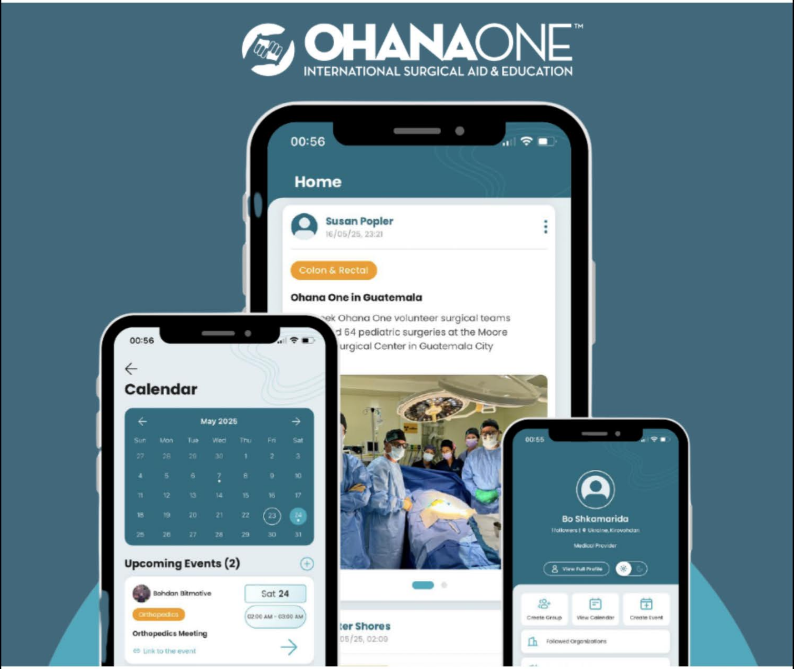
The OO App: Where the Global Surgical Community Connects



Ohana One in Guatemala

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Join the OO App Community and connect with a global network committed to strengthening surgical care everywhere. Ohana One is proud to welcome surgeons, anesthesiologists, nurses, and nonprofit medical partners to the Ohana One App, a free, secure, and easy to use platform built specifically for the global surgical community.

With the Ohana One App, you can:

- Connect with other providers and organizations around the world
- Join live surgical sessions and remote consults with built-in video tools
- Log and review surgical cases using a HIPAA-compliant platform
- Share and explore posts, insights, and best practices from peers
- Build your professional network by joining groups and following colleagues

Designed to support real time collaboration and continuous learning, the app brings powerful tools together in one place. Members can connect with providers and organizations around the world, join live surgical sessions and remote consults, log and review cases on a HIPAA compliant platform, and share insights and best practices with peers. By joining groups and following colleagues, users build professional connections that reduce isolation and expand collective expertise.

The Ohana One App is more than a tool, it is a growing community working together to increase surgical capacity and improve patient outcomes.

Download the app today! For additional information about how to join this remarkable global community please visit the Ohana One website.

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At Ohana One, expanding access to safe surgical care means being present alongside local clinicians and equipping them with tools that strengthen care long after a single event. In November 2025, Ohana One was on the ground in Uganda for the African Health Foundation's Homa Bay Medical Conference, supporting collaboration among hospitals, universities, government partners, and healthcare leaders focused on building stronger surgical systems.

Ohana One's technology played a central role throughout the conference. Using remote surgical mentoring and smart-glasses technology, local surgeons were able to connect with global specialists who provided real-time guidance during live procedures. This hands-on support reinforced skills, built confidence, and expanded local capacity in ways that continue well beyond the conference.

Ohana One's presence and technology helped to bridge global expertise with local care. Read the full story to learn more about the conference, see the technology in action in the video below, and understand how this work supports sustainable surgical care.

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Ndhiwa KMTC Campus
22 -23 November

Uganda Surgical Outreach Trip

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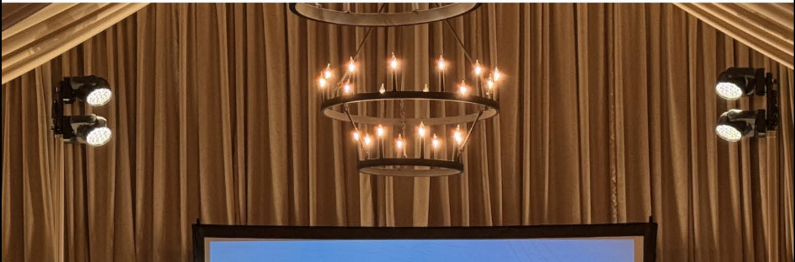
In November 2025, Ohana One returned to Uganda for a surgical outreach trip focused on delivering complex reconstructive care while strengthening local health systems. Working alongside Ugandan medical teams at Moyo General Hospital and Lacor Hospital in Gulu, the team completed 50 surgeries over six intensive days, treating burn injuries, congenital differences, traumatic injuries, tumors, and severe contractures. Daily post-operative rounds ensured continuity of care, while hands-on training supported nurses, therapists, and students in burn care, airway management, rehabilitation, and splinting.

Technology played a key role throughout the trip, with smart glasses and the Ohana One App enabling real-time remote mentorship, case documentation, and knowledge sharing. The mission also included urgent burn care coordination for a young patient with life-threatening injuries, made possible through collaboration with Pipeline Worldwide, ReSurge International, MTF Biologics, and local partners. Beyond the surgeries themselves, the trip reflected Ohana One's long-term approach, prioritizing partnership, skill transfer, and sustainable impact that continues well beyond a single visit.

Read more about the trip here, and see some highlight photos taken by Kelly Fogel Photography.



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We establish surgical training programs utilizing mentorship relationships and advanced technology which elevates and expands safe surgical care in resource-scarce locations.

A Community Comes Together: The Ohana One Gala Raises Over $2 Million

In December, supporters of Ohana One gathered for an unforgettable evening at the Saban Estate to celebrate and advance the organization's mission. The Ohana One Gala brought together the Board of Directors, colleagues, partners, and friends, all united by a shared commitment to expanding access to high quality surgical training and mentorship in low and middle income countries where this level of support is often out of reach.

The evening raised more than $2 million through a lively auction and generous donations, made possible in large part by an extraordinary matching gift from the Saul & Joyce Brandman Foundation to support Ohana One's endowment.

Guests experienced live demonstrations of the innovative technology powering Ohana One's work, including tools that enable real-time surgical mentorship, global collaboration, and sustainable skill transfer. The OO App was on display throughout the evening, highlighting its role in connecting the global surgical community and supporting ongoing education and collaboration.

The night was both inspiring and celebratory, capped by a special musical performance from Susanna Hoffs of The Bangles. More than a gala, the evening reflected what is possible when community, innovation, and generosity come together to strengthen surgical care and training around the world.

You can see some photos from this special night here.

Ohana One is incredibly grateful to all of our supporters, and welcomes donations year-round. Your gift will directly support and expand Ohana One's core programs, including the OO App, the Surgical Sight Program, and surgical outreach trips that combine hands-on care with long-term capacity building.

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The heart of Ohana One is the relationships between mentors and mentees and the real impact those partnerships have on patients and communities. We would love to highlight your work in an upcoming newsletter and on the Ohana One website.

Have you and your mentor or mentee accomplished something meaningful together? Have you helped a patient as a result of Ohana One's support, surgical mentorship, or technical tools? Have you benefited from tele-mentoring, smart glasses, case discussions, or other technical support through Ohana One?

We want to hear about it. To share your story, please send us a brief description of your mentor or mentee partnership, the work you are doing together, and how Ohana One played a role in that success. Your experience helps inspire others and shows what is possible when the global surgical community works together.

Reach out to Maggie with your story. We look forward to celebrating your impact and sharing it with the broader Ohana One community.