

## Dahan Foundation issues \$250,000 challenge grant for MediSend



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**The Dahan Family Foundation has made a \$250,000 challenge grant to MediSend International.**

**Elisabeth** and **Rene Dahan** are challenging the organization to raise \$250,000 that will translate into \$500,000 when the goal is reached. The money will support MediSend's mission to ensure quality health care in underserved communities around the world.

Dallas-based MediSend was founded in 1990 by Dr. **Martin Lazar**, a neurosurgeon, to provide U.S. medical and surgical equipment and supplies to the world's poorest communities.

Since 2007, the organization has also trained biomedical equipment repair technicians for the hospitals and clinics they serve. MediSend's approach ensures that health care providers not only receive supplies and equipment but also that the equipment will be properly installed, maintained and repaired.

MediSend is also home to the **Gen. Richard B. Myers Veterans Biomedical Equipment Technology Program**, which trains returning U.S. veterans as biomedical equipment repair technicians.

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