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## MedWish Invites Bloggers to Sort Supplies and Save Lives

Cleveland, Ohio – MedWish International invites local bloggers, tweeps and other social media mavens to a Blogger Sort on Saturday, November 3, 2012 at 9:30 a.m. at its sorting and distribution center in Cleveland. This event gives interested bloggers a taste of the volunteer experience that helps transform discarded usable medical surplus into lifesaving supplies for hospitals and humanitarian aid agencies in developing countries.

MedWish will provide coffee and bagels as well as a brief information session and tour. Then, staff will guide bloggers along with other volunteer groups in one of many sorting areas within the 38,000 square foot warehouse, where they will check expiration dates, sort pallets of supplies and help manage inventory.

Bloggers can register through the MedWish Facebook page at facebook.com/medwishinternational. Space is limited.

MedWish relies on more than 2,000 volunteers who donate nearly 30,000 hours each year to ensure quality for its shipments, which have traveled to more than 90 countries across the world. Locally, MedWish supports the efforts of youth and adults with disabilities by facilitating training and work opportunities and provides surplus to non-profit animal shelters, child care centers and students to support their work.

Participants in the blogger sort are invited to spread the word about MedWish and post their experiences on Facebook, via Twitter (mentioning @medwish and #DoGoodCLE), and to check in on Foursquare. Contact Reanna Karousis at rkarousis@medwish.org or (216) 692-1685 with any questions.

## **About MedWish International**

MedWish International is a non-profit organization that collects usable medical supplies and equipment from U.S. health systems and distributes it as humanitarian aid to developing countries. Since 2003, MedWish has kept more than 2.75 million pounds of medical surplus out of landfills and has sent much-needed supplies to more than 90 countries all over the world. MedWish was founded in 1993 in Cleveland, Ohio. For more information about MedWish, please visit www.medwish.org or call (216) 692-1685.

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