

## **LOCUS PROJECT UPDATE**

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### **Sharing Resources Worldwide (SRW)**

SRW is a non-profit organization located in Madison that organizes several medical missions each year, collects medical supplies and equipment, and ships these needed items to clinics and hospitals in countries such as Nicaragua, Guatemala, Peru, Nigeria, etc. Detailed descriptions of SRW's projects can be found on our website <http://www.sharingresourcesworldwide.org/> and by watching the 8 minute SRW video (on the website). Our motto is "recycle resources – restore hope... around the world". There are many different opportunities to help and take on a leadership role within SRW including helping organize and be part of a medical mission or even starting a new International project. We are currently discussing if we could open a second wheelchair repair workshop in Nicaragua. If I stayed longer in Madison, I would have liked to bring a child from Guatemala to have surgery here in Madison. If anyone is interested in working on this, I can help with making connections to a surgeon who would be willing to waive his fee, the CEO of UWMC to get free OR time...

Furthermore, we are currently reviewing our strategic plan (which I wrote with input from our co-directors and board members in my first year of medical school). I am also currently in charge of working with business school students on developing a marketing plan and coming up with new and creative ideas on how to become better known in our community.

### **Research: Norway's Socialized Health Care System**

Completed. If we have time in our LOCUS curriculum, I would like to share my analysis and experience with other LOCUS fellows in one of our meetings.