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**HOSPITAL SISTERS MISSION OUTREACH RECEIVES GENEROUS  
DONATION FROM E.L. PRUITT CO. TO AID IN TRANSPORTATION OF  
MEDICAL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT ACROSS MIDWEST**

SPRINGFIELD, IL., July 15, 2021—A lunch between Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach and employees of E.L. Pruitt Co. resulted in John Pruitt (president and CEO of E.L. Pruitt Co.) donating a 2011 International Prostar 73” Hi-Rise sleeper semi to Mission Outreach.

The lunch conversation between friends revealed how Mission Outreach’s trucks are not suitable for retrieving large amounts of medical surplus from hospital and clinic partners in Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri and Wisconsin.

“Our trucks are dated, and breakdowns have resulted in delays in collecting medical surplus from our Midwest partners,” said Georgia Winson (president and executive director of Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach). “The medical supplies we collect and distribute are desperately needed to serve the poor in countries around the world. This truck will save us repair and hotel expenses for our drivers.”

When John Pruitt heard of these challenges, he knew he wanted to help. “I believe in their mission to help those less fortunate by making medical supplies and equipment available,” he said.

“Our drivers will be excited to learn of this donation that will increase the reliability of our transportation for retrieving medical equipment and supplies so that we can continue our international mission,” added Georgia. “We are grateful to John and E.L. Pruitt Co. for their generous spirit.”

E.L. Pruitt Co. has been a “Distinguished Mission Benefactor,” donating \$140,000 since 2008 to Mission Outreach.

**ABOUT HOSPITAL SISTERS MISSION OUTREACH**

Since 2002, Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach has responded to the sick, poor and needy of the world through a medical surplus recovery and redistribution program. This life-saving work, accomplished by matching surplus medical supplies and equipment from over 100 hospital partners in the United States with the needs of healthcare providers in the developing world, has affected individuals in more than 95 countries. Mission Outreach strives to be effective environmental stewards while being a healing presence for the life of the world. Mission Outreach is a 501(c)3 organization an international ministry of Hospital Sisters Health System (HSBS). <https://mission-outreach.org/>

**ABOUT E.L. PRUITT CO.**

Founded in 1971, E.L. Pruitt Co. is a leading provider of HVAC, plumbing and piping systems for commercial, industrial and institutional clients in Illinois. [www.elpruitt.com](http://www.elpruitt.com)

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