



## NAJASO Answers the Call for Junction Health Clinic in St. Elizabeth, Jamaica:

### Purchases Autoclave machine for US\$6000.00

National Association of Jamaican and Supportive Organizations Inc.

### NAJASO Mobilizes its Team and Responds to Request from Clinic In St. Elizabeth, Jamaica

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The Health Committee for the *National Association of Jamaican and Supportive Organizations (NAJASO)*, chaired by Dr. Charles Anderson, MD presented a check for US\$6000.00 to Dr. Gerome Miller-Vaz for the purchase of an autoclave machine at its medical facility in St. Elizabeth, Jamaica. An autoclave machine is a unit used to sterilize glass and metal objects used in hospital environments such syringes and other items used in surgical and medical procedures.

Ambassador Curtis Ward initiated the request to the Health Committee chair, and raised nearly \$US2000 with the help of friends from the Washington-Baltimore area.

NAJASO's quick response received praise and thanks from the Hon. Dr. Fenton Ferguson, Minister of Health, Jamaica, and Dr. Jerome Miller -Vaz of the Junction Health Clinic. The request for assistance was facilitated by the Jamaican American Association of Buffalo (JAAB) on behalf of NAJASO. A special thanks goes out to a key member of JAAB, Dr. Relva Buchanan, PhD who donated US\$2000.00 towards the effort.



**Above caption L-R;** Dr. Rudolph Willis, Dr. Robert Clarke, the Hon. Dr. Fenton Ferguson, Dr. Relva Buchanan, PhD, Dr. Joseph Whittaker, PhD, Dr. Charles Anderson, Mrs. Beverly Anderson, Dr. Jerome Miller-Vaz, Ms. Myrtle Hall..

The University of the West Indies Open Campus Outreach program which has partnered with the Junction Health Center made the request for funding assistance. The Health Center serves a large number of districts in South St. Elizabeth, and the machine is vitally important for the Clinic to serve the needs within the community.

NAJASO President Rick Nugent, and Board Chairman, Dr. Richard Constable mobilized the NAJASO organization to respond to the request by drafting a letter to member organizations and committees to assist. Job well done by all!

Dr. Anderson, Chairman of NAJASO's Health Mission, would like to thank all the contributors who have so generously helped in this worthy cause, and each donor will receive a copy of the picture above and a special thank you letter. ♣ *Charles L. Anderson, Sr., MD*



Tuttnauer Model #2340 Sterilizer