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We will be happy to make a multimedia presentation explaining our work, showing the conditions of Haiti and inviting your organization to partner with us. Contact us by e-mail or phone.

Travel with us to Haiti

We take groups of five to 16 people to Haiti two to four times a year. These trips can be strictly educational or educational/work related. A trip to Haiti is often transformational; it can actually change one’s perspective about oneself and the world in which we all live. Teenage youth are welcome to travel with us.

Volunteer to help further our work

We are almost entirely volunteers working in committees to facilitate and promote the work of Haiti Outreach. We can use your talents and skills to help create and organize: Fundraising, Marketing/Communications, Education/School Scholarship, Trips and Networking.

Contact us to get on our mailing list

Many people are interested in keeping up with Haiti Outreach activities. We send out newsletters with project updates, the annual report, fundraising invitations, trip information and other messages from time to time. E-mail, call or write to us to place your name on our list.

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We want to thank Lecy Design and everyone else involved in the production of this annual report for donating time, creative energies and resources.
Haiti Outreach Projects in 2004

Completed Work:

1. Pignon – Five wells completed.
   - Three homes built by joint Haitian/American groups; repairs to National School; work on road starting at Pignon towards Hinche; constructed office/shop/headquarters building for our operations and to teach post-secondary students (see article on page 3).

2. Haiti Safe Water Plus Project – Fourteen wells in collaboration with World Vision and Minnesota Rotary Districts #5950 & #5960 (see article on page 3).

3. Hinche – Road project with World Vision, starting in Hinche and going toward Pignon.

4. La Jeune – Continued school scholarship program at Fwa Kretien Ecole for 130 students.

5. Savanne – Four spring caps built so far, for a water system that will serve 2,000 people.

Ongoing Work with Communities:

1. Bohoc – water system repaired
2. Boukan Carre – water system completed; continuous observation
3. Gonaives – Flood relief (see article on page 3)
4. Hinche – Road project with World Vision, starting in Hinche and going toward Pignon.
5. La Jeune – Continued school scholarship program at Fwa Kretien Ecole for 130 students.
6. Savanne – Four spring caps built so far, for a water system that will serve 2,000 people.

In Planning Stages with Communities:

1. Gonaives – Repairing city water system and irrigation wells.
2. LeGonave – Digging many wells over entire island affecting more than 40,000 people.
3. Mombin Crochu – Building water system to serve 2,000 people.
4. Nan Bay – Two spring caps built so far, for a water system that will serve 2,000 people.
5. Pignon – Building additional classrooms on to the national secondary school for 400 more students.

Previously Completed:

1. Bassin Zion
2. Doutous (Matadour)
3. Hinche
4. La Bruyere
5. Las Cahobas
6. Mamelade
7. Platon Chen
8. Ramit
9. St. Raphael
10. Thomonde
11. Wozo
12. Zebl Ginnen

Every Haiti Outreach Project Strives to Further Our Mission:
To empower the people of Haiti so they’re able to improve their quality of life, strengthen their families and become self-sufficient.

Dear Friends,

The year 2004 was extremely difficult for Haiti. As you know, President Aristide was overthrown and the government remains unstable. There were two major floods, one in southeast Haiti and the more deadly one in and around Gonaives, the third-largest city.

In the midst of this, the work of Haiti Outreach continued and expanded in 2004. Here are the highlights:

- The first year partnering with World Vision and the Minnesota Rotary on the Haiti Safe Water Plus Project yielded 14 successful community wells in rural areas where no potable water previously existed (see article on page 3).
- Our water truck for well-digging was diverted to hauling daily water rations to tens of thousands of people in the flood-stricken area of Gonaives. Country Director Neil Van Dine coordinated efforts by various NGOs (non-governmental organizations) to bring Gonaives’ water system back online (see article on page 3).
- We built an office/shop/headquarters building to improve coordination and efficiency (see article on page 4).
- The community of Boukan Carre completed its water system.
- Repair began on the incredibly poor road between Hinche and Pignon.
- Scholarships at the Fwa Kretien Ecole in La Jeune continued to support 130 students for the second year, as parents performed community service.

In 2005, we will increase collaboration with other NGOs in community development work. This includes the continuation of the Haiti Safe Water Plus Project, repair work on the road between Hinche and Pignon, additional work with water systems in Gonaives, and possibly bringing clean and available water to one of the driest and most desolate areas of Haiti, the island of La Gonave. We also intend to bring the Haitian microlending bank, Fonkoze, to the Pignon area.

I cannot say enough to thank all of you who share the vision and mission of Haiti Outreach, and have donated so generously to make this work possible. Because of you, much has been accomplished, including clean drinking water for over 70,000 people in Haiti. I invite all of you to join us so that this amazing work can continue. All donations are tax deductible and will enable us to continue partnering with the Haitian people as they work to improve their lives.

Dale Snyder
Executive Director

Haiti Outreach Sustainable Community Development Model

1. The request for assistance comes from the people. We do not go into a community and tell them what they need.
2. A diversified representation of the people are involved. The purpose is to have people see themselves as a whole community, not just one family or church or other faction, and to work together toward a shared goal with benefits for everyone.
3. The people do the organizing, the planning and all the work they have the manpower and resources to do. We are willing to offer advice and consultation to facilitate this process.
4. The people create an economically viable maintenance program so that the project will be sustained over time.
In 2002, Haiti Outreach and the Minnesota Rotary were essentially unique to each other. But in a remarkably serendipitous event some might say was divinely guided, these neighbors were brought together by an international relief and development organization: World Vision. All three organizations share an interest in bringing clean water to third world countries.

Haiti Outreach, Minnesota Rotary District #5960 (since joined by #5960) and World Vision have now completed the first year of a three-year contract to drill 75 new wells and rehabilitate 66 water systems in some of the most isolated parts of Haiti. When completed, this project is expected to bring clean water to an estimated 42,000 people.

Here’s how our collaboration came about. The Minnesota Rotary had pledged $1 million to the organization that would most effectively develop water resources in a poor country. Because of our past work together on well and road projects, World Vision contacted Haiti Outreach late in 2002 to work out a joint submission, called the Haiti Safe Water Plus Project. World Vision was awarded the grant, subcontracting much of the work to Haiti Outreach as planned.

The amazing coincidence is that Haiti Outreach and the Minnesota Rotary are literally in each other’s backyard – both are based in Minneapolis. Since discovering each other, we have been in frequent communication about this and other potential projects. Rotarians are traveling with us to Haiti to see the work and conditions firsthand.

Partnership among non-governmental organizations is a growing trend in third-world development, as each organization contributes its particular expertise toward more successful projects. Haiti Outreach has been partnering like this since our first project, the Boho water system, in 1998.

Haiti Outreach’s flood relief work in Gonaives is another example. We expect this cooperation will continue and expand in our future work.

The torrential rains of Hurricane Jeanne in mid-September and Haiti’s extreme deforestation combined for a devastating flood that affected over 100,000 people in and around the city of Gonaives. It swept over 2,000 people to their death. It damaged or destroyed 75% of the city’s buildings.

Haiti Outreach immediately sent its water truck, normally used in well-drilling operations, to haul in 150,000 gallons of clean water over the next two months. In addition, Haiti Outreach Country Director Neil Van Dine offered his assistance to the Haitian government’s potable water department.

As a result, a collaboration of four organizations – Haiti Outreach, OXFAM, IOM (International Organization for Migration) and the Canadian government – engaged in a $180,400 project to get the city water system back on line.

Neal researched possible solutions, and came up with specifications for new pumps. He selected two 60hp submersible pumps capable of delivering over 1,200 gpm each into the city water system, at a cost of about $18,000 US each. IOM and OXFAM provided funding to buy the pumps at a reduced cost from a dealer in California. They were shipped in aboard a MI-12 aircraft, along with replacement valves for the city water lines. The timing was tight: the last of the boxes for the pumps came into Cap Haitien the same day the installers flew into Port au Prince.

The pumps, which Hydro-Quebec International helped repair. They finished the project on January 26, 2005, with the water system pumping over a million gallons the first day.

Haiti Outreach is proud of our 15 hardworking employees – 13 of them Haitian – who manage the organization, do the community development work, drill the wells, do the accounting, run our vehicles and perform many other jobs. Below we highlight two of them.
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INCOME 261,169

EXPENDITURES

Program Operating Expenses 209,924 229,195
General and Administrative Expenses 18,932 40,558
Fundraising Expenses 26,737 22,254
Educational Expenses (Trips) 10,666 24,797

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS 266,259 316,479

HAI-OUTreach ANNUAL REVENUES

$450,000
$400,000
$350,000
$300,000
$250,000
$200,000
$150,000
$100,000
$50,000
$0

HAI-OUTreach - IN Haiti
Income 151,211
Expenses 141,492
Change in Net Assets 7,719

As we are now receiving income directly in Haiti, we are listing that information as well as the expenses made during the year.