

Twin Parish News



Roses are red

Violets are blue

Our people in Haiti fare better

All Thanks to YOU.



Thank You for Your generosity,
Your compassion, and Your
willingness to help the people
of St. Joseph Parish.



I ♥ writing the February newsletter! It's so full of love for you, our donors, and the people of our twin parish. It's a joy to share the good things that are happening at St. Joseph Parish because of YOU.

♥ **You** continue to send over **300 students** to elementary school and **30 students** to secondary school. The computer school graduated **35 students**.



St. Anthony School

♥ **Your** generosity provides **medicine and medical care** for hypertensive patients in the chapel areas.



Medical Care

♥ **You** provided **solar panels** for the well at Boucan Moran. The **storage reservoir** was completed in April serving 500 families. An existing well was our next focus.



Solar Panels

♥ With funds **You** provided Father purchased:
- **Quality seeds** for the farmers
- **Food** on **four** different occasions throughout the year

Please see the next page for Helping Hugs' total expenditures for 2022.



Collecting Water

Looking Back ... Thank You

for all that YOU made possible in 2022

EDUCATION	School Operations - 306 elementary students High School Tuition Scholarships - 30 students	\$25,014
MEDICAL	Salary and Medicines for Hypertension Project	\$2,950
WATER	Well at Boucan Moran with water storage and distribution system serving about 500 families. Tested water at a pre-existing well at Villa. Provided WASH (Water, Sanitation, & Hygiene) posters to schools for instruction. Purchased replacement filters and UV lamps for Côtes-de-Fer and Mayette water treatment systems	\$9,220
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH OPERATIONS	Father Faustin uses this monthly stipend for operation of the rectory and to meet the needs of his parishioners.	\$12,000
OTHER	Discretionary Funds for Father Faustin Food = \$3,500; Seeds for farmers = \$1500 Tree Program Site Visit Food for the poor Truck Maintenance (budgeted) Fête expenses	\$5,000 \$1500 \$2,000 \$2,500 \$5808
HELPING HUGS INC. ADMINISTRATION	Tax return preparation, wire transfer fees, credit card fees, website, PO Box rental, postage, printing, supplies	\$3699
TOTAL EXPENSES 2022		\$69,691

Looking Ahead ... Thank You for supporting the 2022 Education Campaign and the annual Fête for Haiti.

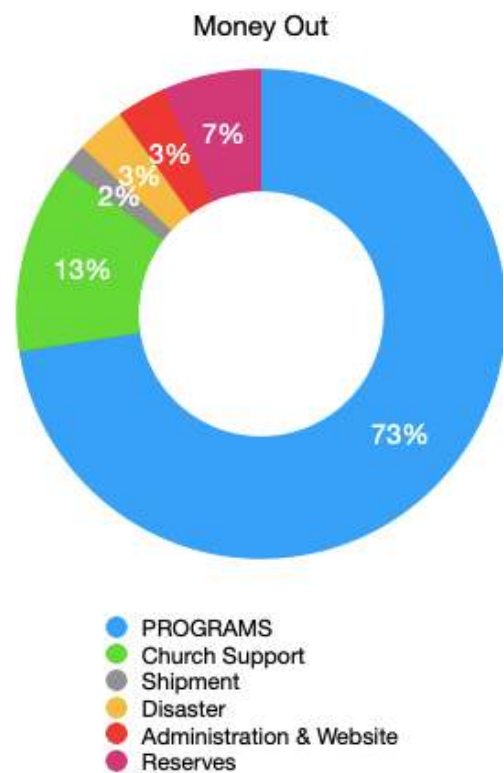
This is the plan to use your gifts in 2023

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH OPERATIONS		\$19,500
	Monthly stipend, truck maintenance, discretionary fund	
WATER	One well with water storage and distribution system; water testing supplies and maintenance	\$42,000
MEDICAL	Mission Trip to Haiti Ongoing hypertension project	\$22,900
EDUCATION	9/1/23 - 6/31/24 Three elementary schools; tuition for thirty secondary students	\$26,000
INFRASTRUCTURE	Two - Chapel walls, doors and painting	\$5,000
TREE CURRENCY	Ecological and economic development program for one farming community	\$15,000
SPRING SHIPMENT		\$2,500
DISASTER RELIEF		\$5,000
EMERGENCY RESERVES		\$10,000
HELPING HUGS, INC. ADMINISTRATION	Tax return preparation, wire transfer fees, credit card fees, website, PO Box rental, postage, printing, supplies	\$5,000
TOTAL		\$152,900

2023 TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET = \$152,900

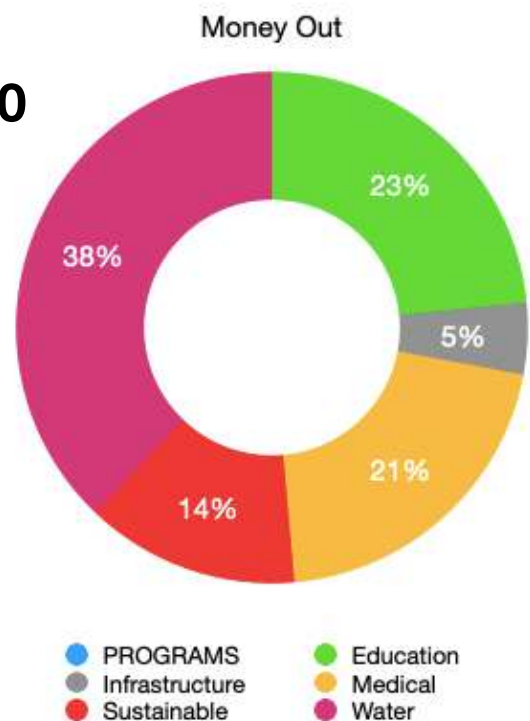
Money In	
Donations 2022	\$152,900
Additional income	\$0
Total Income	\$152,900

Money Out	
Programs	\$110,900
Church Support	\$19,500
Shipment	\$2,500
Disaster	\$5,000
Administration & Website	\$5,000
Reserves	\$10,000
Total Expenses	\$152,900



5 Program Areas = \$110,900

Money Out	
PROGRAMS	
Education	\$26,000
Infrastructure	\$5,000
Medical	\$22,900
Sustainable	\$15,000
Water	\$42,000
Total Program Expenses	\$110,900



Attendees at the January Meeting gave the following testimony about the meeting and why they are involved in Helping Hugs:

"I learned a lot!"

"Until I went to Haiti on the medical mission I had no idea of the kindness and generosity of the Haitian people."

"I've been to Ghana and witnessed extreme poverty. It changed me. I've been looking for an organization that was totally devoted to helping and improving lives. I've been impressed by Helping Hugs total commitment."



We are grateful for the show of support as we are embarking on a new year with new ideas and new projects.

The meeting featured a presentation of our current activities in our twin parish, St. Joseph, and a summary by water, medical, tree currency, and education committees.

Our webmaster described the changes he sees for the website in the not-to-distant future. **He asked for help in expanding our efforts in social media and for volunteers with experience in photography, videography, writing copy, marketing and google analytics.**

The roster of executive committee members and program chairpersons was distributed. **It was noted that there are two vacancies among the officers: Treasurer and Vice President. There is also a vacancy for the Medical Mission chair.**



**Please join us
February 16 at 6PM
in the parish hall as we continue
to show our love for the
people of Côtes-de-Fer.**





Evy Marshall

Last but not least, let me take this occasion to introduce myself as the new president of Helping Hugs. My name is Evelyne Marshall. I'm honored to be a part of this wonderful organization.

We have a great year planned and with your support and prayers, we will see our projects come to fruition. Please be sure to check us out on our website www.helpinghugsinc.org.

The children of our school in Côtes-de-Fer join me in sending you special Happy Valentine's Day wishes.



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