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**Empowering Haitians Through Access to
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Dear Friends,

November 13, 2019

Full disclosure: 2019 has been a very difficult year. Yet the challenges currently facing Healing Art Missions (HAM) have nothing to do with our projects or programs, our Haitian leadership, or our staffing. Our work in Dumay continues to expand and improve, but Haiti, as a nation, is in social and political crisis.

Haitians are angry. They face widespread food and fuel shortages, a currency devalued by half, and a 25% cost of living increase. Corruption is rampant; billions of dollars of international aid and loans to improve infrastructure, education, and health services have gone missing or been misspent. So people have taken to the streets demanding President Moïse step down and leave the country, an action he staunchly refuses. Chaos and violence continue, closing hospitals, schools and businesses and halting public transportation. Even if you can find fuel for your vehicle, there is risk of being stopped and robbed, car-jacked, or killed. [See <https://nyti.ms/2Nhvlyf> .]

Nonetheless, HAM's programs continue to endure, thanks to a staff of dedicated Haitians. The Dumay clinic remains open and functional despite the crisis. Local nurses and support staff continue to treat patients, and Dr. Jacques consults by phone when the streets of Port-au-Prince are too dangerous for him to commute. Our electricity persists without fail, powering lights, water filtration, and medical equipment because our programs are entirely solar powered. Midwives deliver babies and HAM produces clean drinking water for the Dumay community. This summer, in Port-de-Paix, we equipped the Charles Salomon Primary School with solar panels to power the light fixtures we installed in every newly plastered and painted classroom. Earlier this month we received word that schools in Port-de-Paix had reopened and our students are now experiencing an improved academic environment. All HAM employees still receive their pay each month, a rarity for Haitian workers in both government and private business jobs.

I am proud of HAM's resilience, but my personal frustration continues. Given the high risk, I have not been able to return to Haiti since April, my longest absence since I began going in 1997. It's painful to stand so far away, in solidarity, but with no clue as to how to solve our current crisis. Yet I do know, from HAM's 20 years in Haiti, that improving the quality of life of Haitians requires listening, providing resources, and sharing experience and perspective. Our partnership must continue. And I have faith that the people of Haiti are intelligent, courageous, strong, and resilient; having suffered deep political and social upheavals for 400 years, they will persevere.

For our part, we must continue to provide hope. As DeRay McKesson writes in *On the Other Side of Freedom: The Case for Hope*: "...[H]ope is rooted in possibility...Hope is the belief that our tomorrows can be better than our todays. Hope is not magic; hope is work." I thank you greatly for your past hope and support. In the present crisis, I urge you to renew your support of HAM's work to help Haitians' make their tomorrows better than today.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Tracee Laing



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Centre de Santé Communautaire de Dumay (Center for Community Health in Dumay)

- 29 Staff employed
- 9517 Primary care patient visits, 314 those who cannot afford to pay are seen free of charge
- 399 General surgical procedures performed
- 104 Eye surgeries performed
- 2579 Patients given vaccinations
- 7037 Laboratory tests performed
- 1477 Family planning visits, with patients receiving condoms, depo-provera, and birth control pills
- 1106 Eye exams performed, with 238 pairs of glasses distributed
- 1048 Visits to the Safe Birthing program, with 31 healthy babies delivered, 26 emergencies managed, and 456 ultrasound referrals
- 10 House-bound patients seen during quarterly home visits
- 49 Cholera patients treated with emergency oral hydration and IV fluids

16,091 total patient visits at
Centre de Sante de Dumay

\$22,000 in medicine purchased

\$37,127 in medical supplies and vaccines
donated by Direct Relief International,
Blessings International, SEVA & the
Haitian Ministry of Health



Charles Salomon School Port-de-Paix

- 23 Teachers and
- 11 Support staff employed
- 349 Children educated in preschool through 9th grade, in this poor neighborhood
- 15 Adults served in the literacy program with two levels of classes

Solar power system with lighting and electric access for a computer lab and phone charging was completed.

All 13 ninth graders passed the government exams to graduate!

2019 Annual Report to Donors and Friends

Accomplishments: October 2018 to September 2019

Serving Haiti since 1999

Clean Water Programs

5 Technicians Employed

Gift of Water (GoW)

Point of use 5-gallon charcoal and chlorine purification systems installed in homes

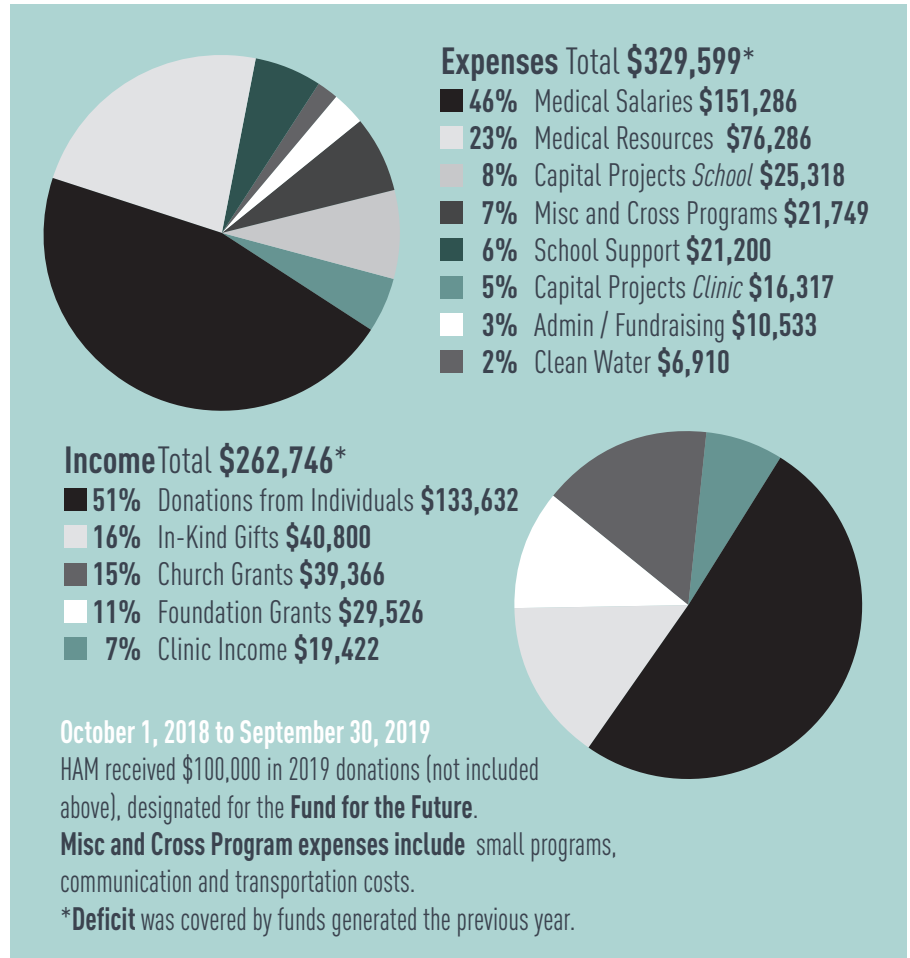
- 850+** Working GoW filtration systems serviced within the Dumay community as far as 6 miles from Centre de Santé
- 100** Systems serviced in Demier
- 12442** Visits made by technicians for system evaluation and repairs

Living Waters for the World (LWW)

Large volume ozonation purification system filters water to fill 5-gallon bottles on-site in dedicated facility at Centre de Santé

- 11755** Gallons of water sold at 15 gdes/5 gal. bottle (\$.16 USD) in the community of Dumay
- 4850** Gallons distributed free of charge to schools in the community of Dumay
- 1800** Gallons used at the Centre de Santé de Dumay

Beginning in November we are distributing water to ALL in Dumay at no cost due to the economic impact of civil unrest.



Demier Community Support

- 2 Trained water technicians educate about clean water and disease prevention, while servicing 100 Gift of Water systems
- 1 Community health worker in the community administers vaccinations and basic public health services

Due to violence and civil unrest, we were unable to visit Demier in 2019, but our team was supported and able to complete our mission.

Small Programs

APDD, Croix-des-Bouquets based social justice organization partners with communities, like Dumay, to help fight crime and improve community safety. We support them by paying their yearly office rent. Consultation fees are paid for specialized patient care. Clothing and blankets are distributed to children in need. HAM pays school tuition for orphaned children in need. We support Haitian artists by purchasing their art for sale in the USA. "Days for Girls" menstruation supplies are distributed to young women in Dumay.

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Support and Contributions

Hundreds of individuals like you have faithfully supported HAM the past 20 years by contributing their talent and treasure. Without your support, our partners in Haiti would struggle to obtain healthcare, clean water and affordable education.

Supporting Organizations and Churches
Amazon Smile; Battelle Always Giving; Blessings International; Boca Grande United Methodist Church, FL; Calvary UTD Methodist Church, Lakewood, OH; Children's Practicing Physicians, Columbus, OH; David's United Church of Christ, Canal Winchester, OH; Direct Relief International, Santa Barbara, CA; First Community Church, Columbus, OH; First Congregational Church, Hudson, OH; First Presbyterian Church, Granville, OH; GFWC Rotunda Woman's Club, FL; Gift of Water, Carmel, IN; Global Eyes Media, Santa Cruz, CA; Go Crazy, Do Good (Dr. Brian

Stahl), OH; Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, Asheville, NC; Granville Village School district, OH; Granville Ecumenical VBS, OH; Haitian Ministry of Health, Haiti; Hernia Repair for the Underserved, Omaha, NE; JCC Consulting, Inc., Granville, OH; Keystone Congregational Church, Seattle, WA; Kiwanis Club of Granville, OH; Larson Legacy Fund, Happy Valley, OR; Lighthouse Christian Church, Drummond Isle, MI; Lions Club of Heath, OH; Lions Club of Newark, OH; Living Waters for the World, USA; Marston Family Foundation, MD; Nationwide

Children's Hospital, Columbus, OH; Network for Good, MD; Readers Garden, Granville, OH; Rotary Foundation of Granville, OH; St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Granville, OH; SEVA, Berkley, CA; Shell Oil Foundation, USA; SoHum Foundation, Portland, OR; TEVA, Inc.; Three Brothers Winery, Geneva, NY; TisBest; United Church of Granville, OH; United Way of Central Ohio; Whitaker Foundation, WA; Whitman Holding Enterprises, OH; World Food Program, USA; World Health Organization



Funding HAM's Haitian operations is the simplest and most direct way to make an impact in Haiti. We are a grass-roots funded non-profit organization supported by hundreds of individuals and dozens of churches and community organizations.

We are committed to ensuring funds raised are spent directly in support of the Haitian people through access to healthcare, education, clean drinking water and employment.



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