



The Foundation for the Children of Haiti

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November 2025

My Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure to again send our love and thanks to all of you for your partnership with us.

Little has changed in Haiti since I last wrote. Gangs still control virtually all of Port au Prince, and most of the population lives in fear and extremely harsh circumstances. However, through God's grace, the area around Hope Hospital and the Children's Village remains relatively stable. There has been less gunfire in the neighbourhood where I live, and I feel more able to get out and do what needs to be done, although there is still a need to be very careful.

All activities continue to operate despite the extreme danger and disruption we have lived with for the past 5 years. With the closure of so many schools and medical facilities, we now care for more people than ever. We continue to carefully build our capacity to meet the increased needs before us. We are happy to report that our hot meal program for children attending the Children's Village school continues, despite the crushing cost of food. This program has driven a large increase in the number of neighbourhood children attending the school – we are now up to 240 students from the community. For many of these children, the meals we serve are the only food they get. We are trusting God for His provision in providing the funding needed to sustain this program.

The pace here is relentless, but God has been good to me, providing the health and strength I need to keep going, and he has provided a team of dedicated workers in each of our ministries.

We can't thank you enough for your prayers and support. With you standing with us, we find the strength to carry on with hope for better days in Haiti.

With love, *Gladys*

Meal Program at the Children's Village School – How You Can Help

In 2024 many neighbourhood children attending the school at the Children's Village were coming to school hungry since their families were no longer able to feed them. In response, FCH implemented a program to provide the children breakfast and lunch each school day.

This is very expensive undertaking given the extremely high cost of food and the fact that 240 neighbourhood children now attend the school. Including the 85 children who live in the Village, total enrollment is 325. It costs \$55 per child per month to provide two meals per day, putting the cost for all 325 children attending the school at around \$18,000 per month.

Last year FCH was able to provide breakfast and lunch for the children. However, with higher enrollment and higher food costs, when school started this fall, it was necessary to cut back. Children up to grade 6 still receive two meals, but the middle and high school students are currently only served lunch.

It is heartbreaking to see that some children only eat part of their lunch so they can take food home to their families.

We would love to have enough funding to provide two meals a day to all the children attending the school, during these desperate times.

If you are able to help please visit our website – <https://cfchcanada.ca/> – to make a donation.





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Activities Update

All of FCH's operations continue to be active, doing everything they can to make a difference during this very difficult time in Haiti.

- The school at the Children's Village continues to thrive, now running from kindergarten to grade 11. Grade 12 will be added in the 2026/27 school year.
 - The 2024/25 school year ended with 245 students (up from 175 the year before), and this fall the new year began with 325 students. This number includes 75 children living at the Rainbow of Love residents, 10 Hope Home residents in the Special Education program, and 240 children from the neighborhood.
 - Enrollment has grown due to addition of grades 10 and 11 and a significant increase in the number of neighbourhood children after the hot meal program was implemented.
 - There are eleven new students in the Special Education class.
- Four Rainbow of Love teens finished grade 12 this past June. One enrolled in dental school at a local university, the other three are taking employment focused service training.
- Hope Hospital is extremely busy, doing what it can to cope with the huge increase in demand for healthcare due to the closure of several hospitals and clinics over the past few years.
- This fall C-Tech began its academic year with 240 students enrolled.
- Mussothe Elementary School started the new school year with almost 300 students attending.



L-R: Teacher with Special Ed student. High school class. House Mom with baby.

Next up on the FCH "Wish List"

Another initiative being considered to help cope with the extreme cost of food is to provide FCH with the capacity to make its own bread by purchasing a dough mixing machine and large convection oven. This equipment would significantly reduce the cost of providing fresh bread for the 325 children at the Village school and the Village staff. The cost of an oven is around \$5,700 US, and a dough mixer would be around \$800 US.

If you would like to help FCH get into bread making, visit our website to make a donation. <https://cfchcanada.ca/>

Commercial convection oven



Commercial dough mixer



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Update on Projects

Despite the disruption, danger, and high costs created by the chaos in Haiti, as funds are available the Foundation continues to invest in new capacity and operating efficiencies to meet ever-increasing needs.

1. New classrooms were completed and furnished (as a second floor to the Hope Home building) to accommodate high school classes.
2. A lift installed between Hope Home and the high school classrooms to accommodate Hope Home residents who attend the high school.
3. Lift has been installed in the new wing of Hope Hospital.
4. The reservoir at Hope Hospital is covered and will begin to collect water this rainy season. This will reduce the need to purchase water in dry months when the well's capacity is low.
5. Upgraded solar power system installed at the Children's Village. (With the addition of the middle school a few years ago and the high school grades over the last two years, additional power capacity was required.)
6. To help with food security, a motorized grinder was purchased for the Children's Village kitchen to make peanut butter which is a nutritious item for the children.
7. C-Tech began its 2025/26 academic year with a new dorm that will accommodate 20 students, bringing the total number of students in residence to 80.
8. New labs / classrooms were completed at C-Tech.



L to R: New Solar panels at the Village. Lift at Hope Home to make the 2nd floor classrooms accessible. Hallway to new high school classrooms. New labs / classrooms at C-Tech.

Hurricane Melissa

At the end of October, Hurricane Melissa tore through the Caribbean. Thankfully, the center of the storm passed just south of Haiti.

Port au Prince had several days of high winds and heavy rain, but no major damage. However, with over 1 million people in Port au Prince displaced by gang violence and now living in "tent cities", the heavy rain made their suffering even more intense.

The south of Haiti was hit much harder. Many farms in the area were destroyed.

FCH has an elementary school and post-secondary training institute in this area. Thankfully, neither of these facilities were damaged.

We can't thank you enough for your prayers and generous support !