

Vital project in Haiti



Project: Children's events

Objective:

To raise awareness of children's rights through organising 30 events in all Plan programme areas

Target: £18,820



Why Plan works in Haiti

The Republic of Haiti is the poorest country in the Americas. 55% of the population is living in poverty on less than £1 a day and just under half of primary school age children are enrolled in school.

Helping children claim their rights to an education, decent healthcare, clean drinking water and more is one of the best ways for communities to work their way out of poverty. Without good health or the skills an education can bring, children grow up to face the same poverty as their parents.

How you can help

We aim to raise £18,820 to organise 30 children's events promoting the rights of children. These will consist of various art based activities designed to increase children's confidence, so that they can claim their rights and raise awareness among communities. The events will help teachers, parents and older members of the community to understand the importance of children's rights and bring communities closer together.

Plan enables poor communities to take action together to achieve children's rights to an education, decent healthcare, clean drinking water and more. We give long-term practical support so poor communities can improve the lives of their children and themselves. We also campaign to change the way a whole range of adults - from parents to politicians - think and act, because we know their decisions can perpetuate poverty.

Children themselves can be powerful advocates for change, so we encourage them to take part in decision making, from village councils to national assemblies. And because children will be the leaders of tomorrow, we believe that strengthening their voices now will create a fairer, better world - now and in the future.

This is just one of many projects within Plan's wider education programme. With your support, this project can make a difference to the lives of many children, families and communities in Haiti.

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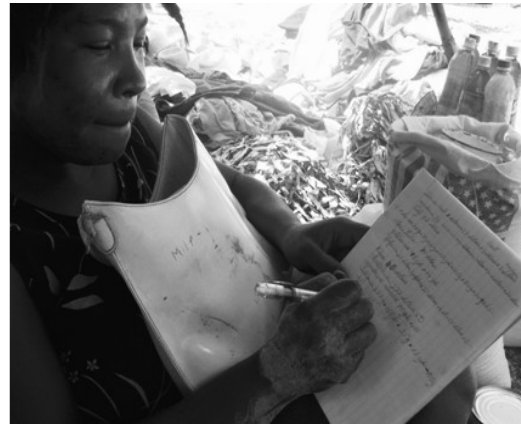
Project: Savings and loans groups

Objective:

To provide loans and business skills training to 1,500 young people with a view to creating 1,000 income generating activities in Couffo

£150 will give entrepreneurs the support they need to get started

Target: £144,310



Why Plan works in Haiti

The Republic of Haiti is the poorest country in the Americas. Over half of the population is living in extreme poverty on less than £1 per day. Unemployment is estimated at 70%, and the country has experienced little job creation in recent times. Without collateral or someone with a regular salary who can co-sign for a loan, many families are forced to borrow from lenders who charge 50% interest or more.

Plan is helping to provide communities with the financial education and financial services they need to earn a living and allow families to support their children's education and ensure their wellbeing.

How you can help

We aim to raise £144,310 to provide loans and business skills training to 1,500 young people to help them obtain a regular income and create a more stable future for themselves and their children.

In partnership with the Fonkoze foundation, a local microfinance institution, we're organising projects throughout Haiti that are helping the poorest people lift themselves out of poverty. Young entrepreneurs are able to borrow money from us without collateral and without a co-signer. All they need to do is get together with four friends to take a loan together – the five guarantee repayment for one another. As well as providing the finance they need to get their businesses off the ground, we're providing literacy and business skills training that will help them identify opportunities to start up new businesses in their community.

Plan works closely with communities, governments and non-governmental organisations at a local and national level to make sure projects such as this work as effectively as possible. This is just one of many projects within the Plan's wider livelihoods programme. With your support, this project can make a difference to the lives of many children, families and communities in Haiti.

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Children's events (HTI0130)

Savings and loans (HTI0072)

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