

Medical Director and pediatrician Dr. Jacquet delivering care.

#### **Medical Clinic**

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**OUTREACH TO HAITI** 

Average daily cost of prescriptions dispensed Weekly cost of in-home visits by a health agent \$110 \$85

## Gift of HEALTH CARE

utreach to Haiti has had a maternal and child focused Primary Care Clinic in Christ Roi for the past 16 years. The all-Haitian staff of pediatricians, family practice and OB/GYN doctors, nurses, a lab technician and health agents have been providing care during the most difficult conditions Haiti has known in modern times. In addition, Outreach has added trauma informed care and a dental clinic two days a week.

Two in five Haitians urgently need medical care. Gang violence, the near collapse of state institutions and high rates of displacement have intensified the humanitarian crisis in Haiti and severely compromised access to health care. Over the past 4 years, the Outreach Clinic has provided 24,100 consults and given vaccines to 32,890 infants, children and young women.

Based on data from 2024-2025 access to trauma informed care in Haiti is extremely limited. In response, our staff has received training from the Center for Mind Body and Medicine and has introduced students, patients, and staff to skills that are helpful in coping with trauma.

## Did you know?

Health agents can deliver recommended vaccines to prevent polio, measles, tetanus, rubella and diphtheria to patients' homes.

In 2025, 4.2 million people are estimated to need health assistance in Haiti. Haiti has the highest maternal mortality rate in the Western Hemisphere, with a recent figure of 350 deaths per 100,000 live births, an increase from previous years.

Health agent Fequiere Telemaque transports vaccines for neighborhood



# Gift of RELATIONSHIPS

### Twinning Program Builds and Sustains Relationships

The Diocese of Norwich is twinned with the Archdiocese of Port-au-Prince. Twinned parishes in the U.S. form a covenant relationship with a parish in Haiti. The key word here is relationship. The program connects two worlds and two cultures in a partnership of faith, caring and support. Friendships and understanding are the result. These partnerships have made profound and lasting changes in the lives of parishioners in both countries.

In forming these relationships opportunities emerge to provide assistance to the Haitian parish. Working hand in hand with the Haitian pastor and his local committee, needs are identified and prioritized and a plan is set in place to provide solutions to address those needs.



Twin parishes with schools also provide a hearty lunch.

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nually. Their clinics provide skilled and compassionate care. Twins also run skills programs like sewing, care for the parish's elderly and much more. All this is made possible by the relationship founded on mutual understanding and respect.

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# GIFTS of the Season for HAITI

December 2025

aiti continues to be known as the poorest country in the Western Hemisphere. These lacksquare days gang violence has further impacted the lives of the people. But the mission of the Diocese of Norwich to walk with the people of Haiti, which began with a 1983 delegation, continues today.

I first traveled to Haiti in 1997 and what I saw on that trip committed me to being a part of that walk. The Haitian people I met touched my heart and our friendships continue.

Pope Leo has called for "new initiatives to support and assist the poorest of the poor." Outreach to Haiti has long embraced that challenge.

The Christmas star you see here symbolizes the Light that came into the world 2000 years ago. The virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity flow from that Light. Our mission, for more than 40 years, is to share that Light with our sisters and brothers in Haiti.

I am proud of our staff, our board and our volunteers whose dedication has sustained the mission. You, our donors, make it all possible and we thank you on behalf of the people we serve. We wish you a most blessed Christmas and New Year.





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## Gift of NUTRITIONAL HEALTH

NICEF estimates over one million children are facing critical levels of food insecurity in Haiti. Persistent armed violence, repeated displacement, and lack of sufficient humanitarian access continue to threaten vulnerable families – while the risk of famine looms.

The Outreach Child Nutrition Program provides more than 80 children per month the critical food and medicine necessary to return the acutely malnourished to health. Outreach staff have delivered this care every month without interruption over the last 4 years, even during severe levels of violence in the area.

Similar food packages are provided to 20 (on average) expectant mothers each month along with and pre- and post-natal care.

## Did you know?

Over the past 4 years, the Outreach clinic's maternal nutrition program has provided food, medicine and prenatal care for 100 malnourished pregnant women who gave birth to 94 newborns. We have had no maternal deaths in the last 4 years and a 2 percent neonatal death rate.

# Gift of Supporting a patient in a Nutrition Program for one month

Monthly cost of providing food for a patient in the children's program

Monthly cost of providing food for a patient in expectant mothers program

\$55

\$80









This year's newly enrolled students...fresh off our waiting list.

#### Gift of Education for one year

Average costs of books for a student \$75 Sponsor a primary school student \$525 Sponsor secondary school Student \$600

# Gift of EDUCATION

Lion Director in Haiti, Mr. Emil says, "A blessing is never lost. Investing in humans is the best investment you can do." So do we! A substantial part of what Outreach to Haiti does is to support the education of children in our neighborhood. In addition to tuition assistance we offer medical, dental and vision care, tutoring, English language classes and extra support for our young women who are faced with competing home responsibilities. We try to help our students make the most of this life-changing opportunity. We firmly believe education is the key to the future of Haiti.

## Did you know?

In the last 10 years we have graduated 5 doctors, plus many other professionals in the fields of nursing, accounting, auto mechanics, agronomy, engineering and more.

We currently have 2 of our graduates employed with our organization in Haiti.

Only 2 percent of children who start school in Haiti eventually graduate from high school. Outreach's graduation rate is 95 percent and most go on to post-secondary education.

## Gift of DENTAL CARE

Good oral health is essential for adults and children. Dental care is often overlooked in Haiti due to other major public health concerns such as cholera, TB and malnutrition. Gum disease and tooth decay contribute to poor nutrition, serious infections, pain and even heart attacks.

Outreach is blessed to have the services of an excellent and dedicated dentist who is from our community of Christ Roi. Dr Abraham devotes 2 days each week to serve patients providing care for dental emergencies and preventative and restorative care for adults and for the students in our education program.

This year about 550 patients have received dental care at Outreach to Haiti.

## Did you know?

With only 450 dentists serving a population of 14 million, the demand for dental care in Haiti far exceeds available service.

3 of our university students are studying to become dentists.

Thanks to a generous donor we have a new dental chair and delivery unit.

### **Gift of Dental Care**

Dental examination supplies for one month

Monthly compensation of dentist and assistant

\$150

\$500

