

A New Look and A Renewed Focus



Dear Karen and Jay,

Heal - Teach - Support. These three words define what we do at Hands Up for Haiti. Delivering direct care to children and their families, providing medical and public health programming, and strengthening partnerships to magnify the impact of the work that we do: Heal - Teach - Support. Every month we will share with you stories of how you make a difference in the lives of the people that we help.

Mesi anpil – "thank you very, very much."

From All of Us at Hands Up for Haiti

HUFH LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE!

The better to tell our story! Special thanks to the energetic leadership of volunteers Janet Krzemienski and Eric Doubt, who have lent their marketing know-how to advance our cause, and to Ted Birkhahn, whose wife Tracy will be returning to Haiti on her second mission this October, and whose team at Peppercomm took our vision and made it reality.

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Our Mission
HEAL TEACH SUPPORT

HEAL

The Hospitalization and Surgery Fund: Saving a Child's Life

Imagine: Hermano, a 1-year-old baby the size of a 6 month-old, breastfeeding well but nevertheless malnourished, struggling to breathe and failing to grow: he has a hole in his heart, a condition easily repaired in other countries, not so easy in Haiti. Without help, this baby has no chance; he will die.

His family cannot afford medical care; they are praying for a miracle.



With your help, HUFH can be that miracle: Through our hospitalization and surgery fund, we immediately arranged to cover the medical and surgical costs for Hermano, as we do for other children with life threatening illnesses. Hermano is being treated to make him healthy enough for surgery; when he is ready, HUFH will arrange for him to travel to the Cayman Islands for the necessary surgery. Hermano is shown here 3 months after beginning his treatment, out of heart failure and beginning to thrive.

The emergency fund is crucial to HUFH's work; it captures the essence of what we do. As Dr. Jill Ratner, co-Founder and President Emeritus of HUFH, the physician who first saw Hermano, says,

There is more to medicine than just showing up and seeing patients. For all the patients we treat with common place infections of the skin, intestines and lungs, these children are the real reason why we are in Haiti. It is through our commitment that this child has a chance to survive.

For every child, a chance to grow.

To help these children, and others like them, **DONATE HERE**.

TEACH

Helping Babies Breathe and Helping Babies Survive



Helping Babies Breathe and Helping Babies Survive, two programs highly effective in saving babies lives in their first days. HUFH is embracing a new future for these programs: training Haitian nurses and doctors so that they themselves can go out at clinics where they work and in turn train other medical professionals and matrones - traditional birth attendants - in HBB/HBS. Recently, a visiting team led by Dr. Jill Ratner offered a refresher course in HBS to 10 physicians and nurses we had taught in January. When these doctors, nurses and students return to their communities, they in turn teach these skills to matrones and others. In Bod me

Limbe, Dr. Pierre, shown above, taught the Helping Babies Survive protocol to the 3 community health workers and 2 nurses who deliver babies in the remote rural region of Bas Limbe.

The impact: All of our sites are now following the Helping Babies Survive Protocols, which includes care immediately after birth and during the first few days of life.

For every baby, a chance to survive.

To help save babies' lives, **DONATE HERE**.

SUPPORT

HUFH hosts First Annual Congress of Our in-Country Staff



We are proud of our Haitian in country team, led by Dr. Manol Isac, in-country Executive Director, for hosting the first annual Congress of the HUFH staff. The group met for three days in Labadee to discuss the mission and vision of HUFH, and to hear experts in management and team building. They held workshops to review all of our programs and to discuss how they can solve problems and meet challenges. Congratulations to all.

For every family, a chance to thrive.

To help support our team of doctors, nurses and agents sante in Haiti, **DONATE HERE**.

WORDS TO KEEP IN OUR HEARTS

From Samson Desamour, a member of the June 2016 team and a native of Haiti who has worked with us since our first trip in 2010 (pictured on the right):



"We all came from different places and became a team working to make lives better for people you don't even know. Each time, I think about why the volunteers from HUFH come here - coming despite risks but because Haiti needs so much – maybe even not feeling that you make a difference - but you do, you save one life at a time. These patients ... will be saved because you came."

News Blurbs

Our sincerest thanks and appreciation to Naomi Koller, retiring from her role as Board member and Gala Committee Chair. We wish her luck on her new endeavors.

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Deepfelt thanks to **Positive Legacy**, for awarding HUFH a new grant to help HUFH complete necessary repairs to the Shada clinic, convert the office depot to a functioning clinic, and improve the clean water supply to the people of Bas Limbe, home to one of our established sites. Seen below is Ann Kenworthy, Positive Legacy's Executive Director, receiving a plaque expressing our appreciation for the earlier grant that Positive Legacy gave HUFH to install a solar power system at HVH.



HEAL TEACH SUPPORT

Hands Up For Haiti is a medical humanitarian organization committed to making a sustainable and positive impact on the health of the people of northern Haiti. We do this by collaborating with and supporting the Haitian medical community, by delivering direct care and educational programs to the communities that we serve, and by partnering with allied organizations.

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