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Annual Report





### A dream come true:

Thanks to our collaboration with Haiti Air Ambulance we can now refer emergencies safely and rapidly. Left to right with the crew: Clinic Director Dr. Daniel Antoine, HHP President Peter Halle, HHP Executive Director Louise Lindenmeyr, and HHP board member Nemour Melidor.



## THE PULSE OF PERSISTENCE

Letter from the Director

Was it your teacher, your preacher, your mother or your brother who told you to hold on and keep your eyes on the prize? During the last few years in Haiti, that attitude has helped us prevail against flying bullets and burning tires, Covid, cholera, malnutrition, and the pervasive presence of violent gangs.

The reality of living in a war zone has now settled deep into our fabric: we have learned to work around it and with it, joining forces with other NGOs to seek ways to release Haiti from its death grip.

*photo: Patricia Borns*



Flickers of hope are on the horizon: the Haitian prime minister has installed a transition team to plan for elections this year, the highest court is back in operation, Canada and the US have imposed sanctions on the biggest gang financiers, and other Caribbean nations are stepping up to the plate.

There is a Haitian saying: “Pye kout pran devan” - the guy with short legs wins the race. Our Haitian staff shows remarkable strength and pride in our small rural clinic and its services, and despite our “short legs,” we have emerged victorious against a riptide of national violence and dysfunction. We’ve had a remarkable year. Our clinic, birth center, and community visits have increased by 44%, and clinic revenue in the last five months of 2022 was 34.5% higher than the same period in 2021. We have expanded services, raised staff salaries by 10%, improved the physical plant, and purchased medications and medical supplies.

I invite you to read on and celebrate what we have accomplished together.

With gratitude, Louise Lindenmeyr, Executive Director



photo: Patricia Borrns

***Children and the elderly are the most vulnerable populations.***



## STORY FROM THE FIELD

Joseleine was 26 years old and eight months pregnant when she, her two kids and her husband fled their gang-infested neighborhood in Croix-de-Bouquets. On the treacherous four-hour journey to her husband's family in our safe and quiet rural community, bandits took everything. She arrived at our midwifery center with a premature rupture of membranes, endangering both her life and the baby's. She stayed with us for nine days and then returned to her family's home to wait out her pregnancy. A week later, Joseleine went into labor, called our midwife, and that night gave birth at our center to a healthy baby boy. We continue to see Joseleine for follow-up care and her newborn for well-baby checks. Joseleine is so grateful! "Se Sèl Ansanm Nap Ka Rive Kote Nou Pat Espere," [Only together can we reach farther than we ever imagined].



*Joseleine's luck turned around when she came to our midwifery center, Mezon Nesans Fanmi, escaping gang violence near the capital.*

## Who did we help in 2022?



1,968 visits at our midwifery center, Mezon Nesans Fanmi, located behind the clinic, for perinatal care, cervical cancer screening, family planning & traditional birth attendant training.



5,259 community visits: mobile clinics, vaccinations, vitamin and antiparasitic distribution, family planning & public health education.

1,813 clinic visits at CSUG - (the Centre de Santé Union de Grand-Gosier, our clinic headquarters) for consultations, emergencies & observation.



178 births assisted by our staff or MNF-trained traditional birth attendants.



# Major Grant Catapults our Capacities



In June of 2022, AmeriCares awarded HHP \$51,000 for the HHP/CSUG Strength and Sustainability Project. This grant enhances and fortifies our established outreach programs in primary care, maternal-child health, and female cancer prevention, in addition to providing essential durable medical equipment for our community health clinic and birth center. The funds are designed to cover program costs for a full calendar year, starting July 1st, 2022.

*Malnutrition is another tragic result of Haiti's current circumstances.*

In its first six months, the impact of the AmeriCares grant has been enormous. Not only has it provided care and saved lives for 5,244 marginalized people in the farthest corners of our zone, it has given our staff a boost in morale and small financial incentives to continue to provide quality health care. Strong outreach services and up-to-date equipment in the clinic help further capacity and pride in the work we do together.







*In the style of Haitian mural art, Roberto's image watches over all who enter our clinic's courtyard.*

**We have also suffered a devastating loss.**

**Dr. Roberto Peigne** was HHP's first medical director, serving for nine years from its inception in 2013, bringing equitable health care to the people of his beloved Haiti. A gifted doctor and surgeon, he left his post in 2021 to reunite with his family and seek security in the U.S. as violence and unrest swept his homeland. Dr. Peigne had just joined HHP's Board of Directors weeks before he was killed in an act of gun violence in Florida. His case remains unsolved.

Because of all he did to make our lives better, he lives on in all of us.  
Rest in peace, dear colleague and brother.

The Dr. Roberto Peigne Emergency Fund was his brainchild. Years ago, he saw the need for a way to send urgent cases to referral facilities, far from our rural clinic. This program now bears his name, and in 2022, \$5,000 was allotted for special surgeries, treatment for life-threatening infections, obstetric emergencies, and more.

We are grateful to the organizations below for their partnership.



*“Now I can stand straight!” says four-year-old Woodenson who got an adjustable back brace for severe scoliosis, thanks to the Dr. Roberto Peigne Emergency Fund.*

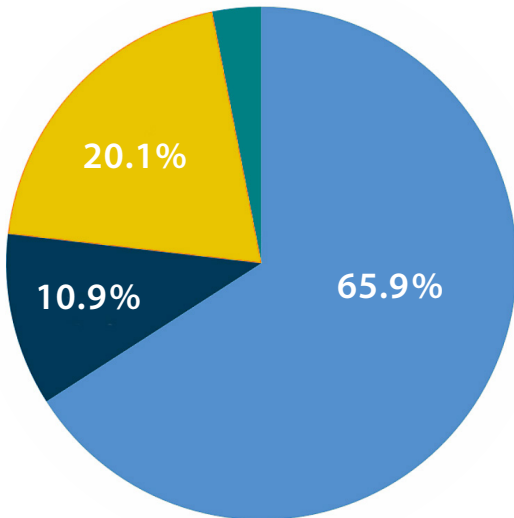
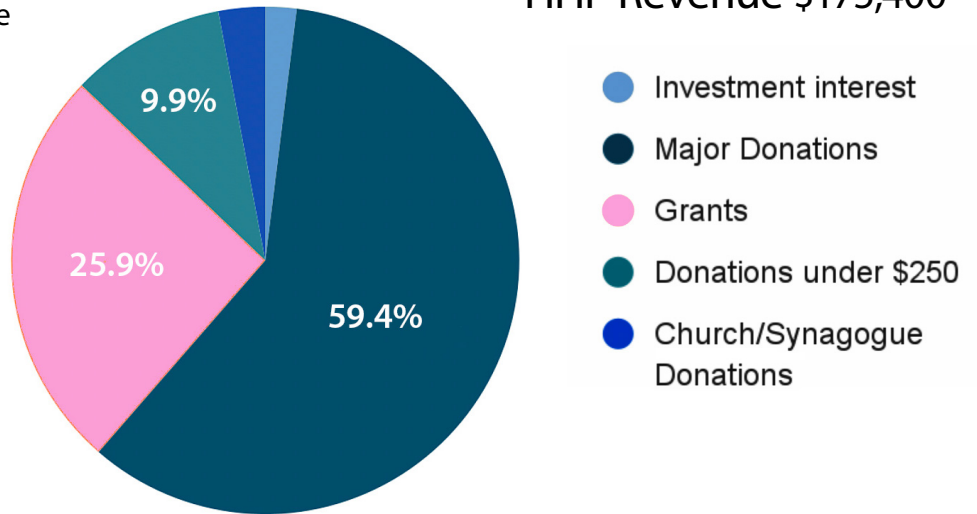




# HHP Financial Update

HHP's revenue in 2022 totaled \$175,400, with almost 60% of this coming from major donations. Donations under \$250 are also important and contributed just under 10%. HHP continues to manage its expenses with a tight fist, determined to ensure our resources go as far as possible on the ground in Haiti. In 2022, we spent a total of \$147,496, with 97% spent in Haiti and only 3% in the USA. CSUG, our partner clinic in Haiti, generated 20% of its own operating expenses.

## HHP Revenue \$175,400



## HHP Expenses \$147,500

- Clinic services, supplies & mobile clinic
- Physical Plant - clinic and midwifery center
- Outreach Projects and Disaster Relief
- USA expenses



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