On August 14th, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake struck the southern region of Haiti, causing deaths, injuries, and severe damage to homes, schools, and important community infrastructure. The recent disaster comes after an extremely challenging few years for Haitian families who have endured political and civil unrest, food, water, and economic insecurity, in addition to the recent outbreak of COVID-19.

For the past 32 years, Hope for Haiti has been working in southern Haiti to resource and empower local leaders and support systems of education, healthcare, access to clean water, and economic opportunity. We currently have 156 Haitian team members who call Les Cayes home, and who serve as the key leaders in the implementation of our strategic plan. The news of yet another natural disaster is devastating, and our team stands ready and uniquely qualified to respond to the immediate, short-term, and long-term needs of the Haitian people in the aftermath of the 2021 Earthquake.

Our Short- and Long-Term Plan to Support Southern Haiti Post-Earthquake
$10.7 million over 2 years

Our organization has taken great care in using lessons learned from our response during the 2010 Earthquake, Haiti’s Cholera Epidemic, Hurricane Matthew, and the spread of COVID-19 to plan our short-term (August - October 2021) and long-term response (November 2021-August 2023) to this disaster. As always, we are fundamentally committed to adhering to the highest standards of transparency, accountability, and good governance as we put our resources to use to support children, parents, and grandparents in Haiti as they navigate these challenging times.
If you would like to support our earthquake relief and recovery efforts, please consider helping Hope for Haiti’s leadership in Haiti accomplish any of the following goals:

- Purchase, import and distribute $90 million in medication, medical supplies, medical equipment, locally procured food, transitional shelter supplies, and PPE to support more than 50 government, non-government, and private medical partners. A majority of the medications and supplies will be donated to Hope for Haiti and will include antibiotics, wound care supplies, wheel chairs, surgical supplies, personal hygiene kits, first aid supplies, diabetes medication, de-worming medication, blood pressure medication, birthing kits, and pre-natal vitamins. Transitional shelter supplies will include tarps, tents, and tools. (Estimated program cost is $1,000,000 USD or $1 per $90 of supplies distributed)

- 200,000 health consultations, medication & supplies, referrals, and health education for children, parents, and grandparents at Hope for Haiti’s infirmary and through mobile clinics conducted by Haitian doctors and nurses. (Estimated program cost is $3.2 million USD, or $16 per consultation)

- Distribute 50,000 Home Water Filtration Systems to families in rural and urban areas who lack access to clean drinking water, and who are at risk of contracting waterborne illnesses such as giardia, E.coli, cholera, and other parasites. This will impact access to clean water for 140,000 Haitians. (Estimated program cost is $3.25 million USD, or $65 per filtration unit distributed)

- Provide of 5,000 micro grants & cash-transfers, 20 loans, financial literacy classes, and digital currency education to school teachers, farmers, vulnerable mothers, etc., and micro-, small-, and medium-sized businesses with the support of blockchain enabled cash transfers. (Estimated program cost is $1,000,000 over the next two years)

- Rehabilitation of homes, schools, sanitation blocks in 18 rural and urban communities and at partner healthcare facilities by hiring and resourcing only local Haitian construction firms and workers. (Estimated program costs $2 million over two years)

- Strengthen school network by creating child-friendly spaces including classrooms, recreational spaces, and computer labs, providing professional development to teachers and school directors, and equipping students with financial support to help them prepare and succeed in school. (Estimated program costs $1.5 million over two years)

TOTAL FUNDING REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE EARTHQUAKE RELIEF GOALS: $11.95 MILLION

To get involved or for any questions, please contact Hope for Haiti CEO Skyler Badenoch at skyler@hopeforhaiti.com, or visit our Earthquake Response Hub at www.hopeforhaiti.com.
• Secured gifts-in-kind valued at more than $11.7 million from our trusted partners at Americares, MAP International, MedShare, and new partners like Accesso, Amazon, FLOCOSHA, GivePower, Share Hope and World Central Kitchen. Over 150,000 pounds of critical medical and relief supplies are currently being distributed to over 50 healthcare facilities.

• Provided over 18,000 medical consultations at Hope for Haiti’s Infirmary St. Etienne and through mobile clinics, providing free medication and medical supplies, referrals to specialists, and have administered over 960 COVID-19 vaccinations.

• Collaborated with Partners in Health, Project Hope, Build Health International, and the Haitian Ministry of Health on a one-time oxygen resupply for three vital government healthcare facilities in Les Cayes, Haiti in September. In addition, Hope for Haiti has committed to continue funding the oxygen plant through December 2021 and have already refilled nearly 370 tanks of oxygen.

• Procured 27,788 home water filtration systems to help reduce waterborne and water-washed diseases and other diseases as there has been an increase of patients with scabies post-earthquake at our clinic and in mobile clinics.

• Distributed approximately 10,000 tarps and 100 tents for emergency shelter to earthquake victims, alongside over 8,500 emergency kits. The emergency kits include essential items, such as water filtration systems, soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, matches, and candles.

• In partnership with World Central Kitchen, our logistics team distributed over 2,000 hot meals to families in two of the hardest-hit areas outside Camp-Perrin.

• Purchased over 139,000 lbs of locally produced food that was distributed to 18 communities after a food security assessment was executed to identify the most vulnerable families in need.

• Completed unconditional digital cash transfers to more than 2,150 earthquake victims totaling more than $307,000 using Digicel's MonCash system to support vetted farmers, community health workers, teachers, entrepreneurs, and others whose livelihoods were affected by the earthquake. Women and other vulnerable populations were prioritized.

• Conducted 18 preliminary damage assessments of partner schools and medical facilities in rural southern Haiti to learn of immediate needs and begin outlining costs of reconstruction and rehabilitation of structures and materials lost.

• Purchased and began distribution of 7,000 backpacks filled with school supplies to students in areas affected by the earthquake.
Photos of Our Staff in Action Post-Earthquake: