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 62 full time 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

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 (next 3 months) and long-term response (next 24 months) 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 distribution of $60 million in medication, medical supplies, medical equipment, and PPE to support more than 38 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. *(Estimated program cost is $700,000 USD or $1 per $85 of supplies distributed)*

- **50,000 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 $700,000 USD, or $14 per consultation)*

- **Distribution of 15,000 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 75,000 Haitians. *(Estimated program cost is $975,000 USD, or $65 per filtration unit distributed)*

- **Provide of 1,000 micro grants, 20 loans, financial literacy classes, and digital currency education to school teachers and micro-, small-, and medium-sized businesses with the support of blockchain enabled cash transfers.** *(Estimated program cost is $500,000, or $200 per micro grant, $20,000 average size, and $100,000 for education and training)*

- **Rubble removal and rehabilitation of homes, schools, sanitation blocks, and healthcare facilities in 24 rural and urban communities by hiring and resourcing only local Haitian construction firms and workers.** *($$2.4 million or $100,000 per community)*

To get involved or for any questions, please contact Hope for Haiti CEO Skyler Badenoch at skyler@hopeforhaiti.com.
Photos Of Our Staff In Action: