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# Impact Report 2025

Standing with families through pregnancy, birth, and beyond.

# A Note from the Executive Director

I joined Olive Tree Projects in the final months of 2024, stepping into leadership during a period of profound challenge for both Haiti and our work. I am deeply grateful to the Board for the trust they have placed in me to lead Olive Tree Projects and to ensure that Kay Akouchman in Jacmel remains a place where families can access respectful, reliable care.

As we closed 2024, we faced a dip in patient numbers. By listening closely to our team and community, we identified barriers to care and adapted how services were delivered. In 2025, despite ongoing sociopolitical instability and insecurity, our team persevered. With the support of our donors, we surpassed our goals for births attended and new patients enrolled.

Looking ahead, our focus remains on strengthening access to care, supporting our team, and continuing to walk alongside families through pregnancy, birth, and beyond. Your partnership makes this continuity possible, and we are deeply grateful for the trust you place in us.

Sarah Taluy  
Executive Director  
Olive Tree Projects



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# Who We Serve & Why it Matters

Olive Tree Projects serves women, newborns, and families in Jacmel, Haiti, with a focus on women's health across the reproductive lifecycle. Our work includes family planning, maternal care, safe birth services, and cervical cancer awareness and screening. Many women face barriers to care driven by cost, transportation, and under-resourced institutions, where inability to pay can result in delayed or undignified treatment. These barriers contribute directly to Haiti's high maternal and infant mortality rates and the late detection of preventable conditions.

Kay Akouchman was established to provide a safe, respectful alternative where women receive quality, compassionate care. To maintain high standards, we intentionally limit the number of patients we serve — a reality that often means turning women away once the clinic reaches full capacity. This constraint underscores the continued unmet demand for accessible, high-quality healthcare in the community.

Our commitment to family preservation extends beyond the clinic through our Family Support Program. We work with families facing financial pressures that can lead parents to relinquish children to orphanages under the belief that they may be better cared for elsewhere. By providing targeted support such as school bursaries and health insurance, we help families remain together and reduce separations driven by poverty rather than lack of care.

Founded in response to preventable maternal and infant deaths caused by inadequate healthcare and poverty, Olive Tree Projects remains focused on strengthening women's health and preserving families through quality, compassionate care — ensuring children can grow up healthy, supported, and within their families.



# Impact at a Glance

In 2025, Olive Tree Projects expanded access to respectful maternity care and family support for women and children in Jacmel.

**868**

*Women accessed services*

**5,502**

*Consultations provided*

**135**

*Babies born safely*

**19.9%**

*Increase in women served*

**103**

*Women turned away due to capacity*

**13**

*Families supported*



## MIDWIFERY & SAFE BIRTH CARE

- 135 babies were born at Kay Akouchman in 2025, the highest number in our history



## EDUCATION & PREVENTION

- 56 education classes held & cervical cancer screenings launched



## FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM

- 13 families received support to stay together

# Midwifery Center: "Kay Akouchman"

Kay Akouchman was founded to provide a safe, clean, and well-equipped place for women in Jacmel, Haiti, to give birth while preserving a home-like environment with skilled midwifery care and family support.



## What one full maternity journey costs

| Actual cost to OTP | Suggested family contribution  | OTP subsidy per patient  |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>\$1,015 USD</b> | <b>12,000 HTG / ~\$ 93 USD</b> | Approx. <b>\$922 USD</b> |

Families are asked to contribute, but payment is never enforced, helping ensure cost is not a barrier to care.

In 2025, patient contributions totaled approximately **USD \$16,000**

## By The Numbers:

|             |                               |
|-------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>135</b>  | BIRTHS                        |
| <b>2202</b> | PRENATAL VISITS               |
| <b>838</b>  | POSTNATAL VISITS (0-6 weeks)  |
| <b>1078</b> | BIRTH CONTROL DOSES           |
| <b>545</b>  | PRENATAL EXERCISE ATTENDANCES |

|            |                            |
|------------|----------------------------|
| <b>549</b> | HIV/SYPHILIS TESTS         |
| <b>408</b> | PREGNANCY TESTS            |
| <b>77</b>  | HIGH RISK CASE TRANSFERS   |
| <b>56</b>  | EDUCATION CLASSES HELD     |
| <b>138</b> | CERVICAL CANCER SCREENINGS |

2025 clinic expenditure : **\$ 192,630.01**



## Our Team & Local Leadership

In 2025, Kay Akouchman was supported by a skilled and compassionate team of four midwives, five nurses, and one laboratory technician, and we closed the year by welcoming two midwife interns. Investing in emerging midwives is an important part of our work, helping new providers strengthen their clinical skills while learning the respectful, compassionate model of care that defines Kay Akouchman. Led by Operations Director Matt Prichard, the team helped us meet and surpass our goal of increasing births in 2025.

Our progress also depended on the strength of our administrative and support staff, who keep the clinic running smoothly each day, and on our two Family Support staff, who walked alongside vulnerable children and caregivers through a program focused on helping families stay together and feel supported beyond the clinic walls. We are deeply grateful to every member of the team, and to the supporters whose generosity makes these vital roles possible. Their dedication made it possible for OTP to safely serve more women, support more births, and deepen trust in the clinic in 2025.

# Family Support Program

The Family Support Program was created because in Haiti, children are often separated from their families not from lack of love, but from poverty. Many children in orphanages still have at least one living parent, yet parents may feel forced to relinquish a child when they cannot afford school or healthcare. FSP helps reduce those pressures by providing scholastic bursaries and contributing toward children's healthcare coverage. By easing key financial barriers, the program helps children stay in safe, loving homes and remain connected to their families and communities.

## By The Numbers:

|    |                           |
|----|---------------------------|
| 17 | EDUCATION BURSARIES       |
| 13 | FAMILIES SERVED           |
| 7  | ACCESSED HEALTH INSURANCE |
| 3  | WORKSHOPS                 |

**This support helps children remain connected to their families, communities, and schooling.**

**In 2025, the Family Support Program helped 13 families stay together by reducing the financial pressures that can lead to child relinquishment.**



# FINANCIAL OVERVIEW & PROGRAM IMPACT:

**2025 Fundraising Target: USD \$ 300,264.42**

Funds raised in 2025 : **USD \$ 274,964.56**

91.6% of target reached

## What this support made possible

**868**

*Women accessed services*

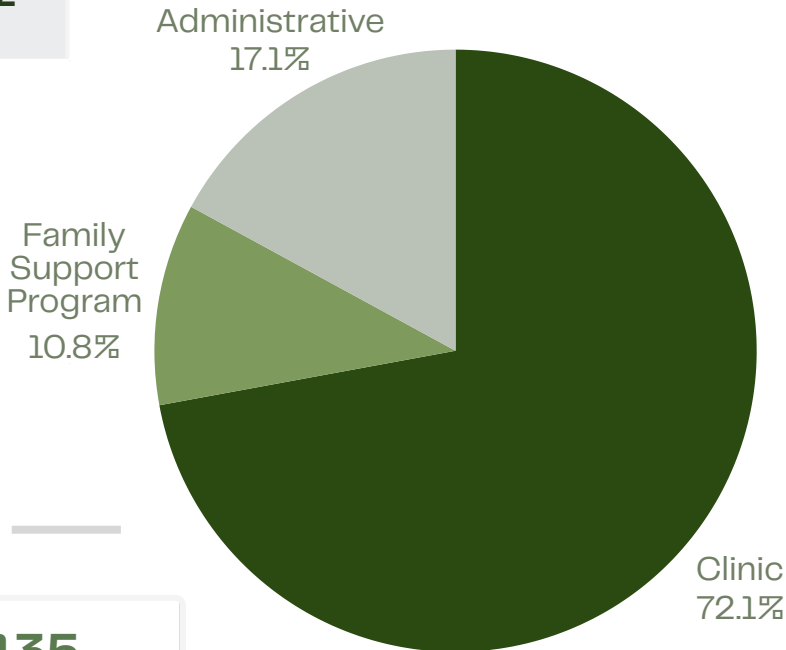
**5,502**

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*Babies born safely*

## Breakdown of Funds Used



**Total Funds Used :  
USD \$283, 293.58**

## Demand exceeded capacity in 2025

**103** women were turned away from starting their birth journey with OTP because the clinic had reached monthly capacity.

Reaching **91.6%** of our fundraising target allowed OTP to continue delivering respectful maternity care and family support in Jacmel. Most funds supported direct clinic and midwifery services, with additional investment in family preservation and the essential operations that keep our programs running each day.

In 2025, patient contributions totaled approximately **USD \$16,000**. Contributions are requested as part of care, but never enforced when ability to pay would become a barrier.

# A Story From the Year

When this family learned they were expecting their second child, they chose to return to Kay Akouchman — even though it meant a 27-kilometre journey of nearly 40 minutes from Vallée de Jacmel. Their decision was based on the care they had received throughout their first pregnancy, birth, and postpartum journey. Their second baby was born at Kay Akouchman in October 2025.



## WHY RETURN?

During their first experience, the family received consistent prenatal care, skilled midwifery support during birth, and continued postpartum follow-up for both mother and baby. The relationships built with the team and the home-like environment created a sense of trust and safety that stayed with them.

## CONFIDENCE IN OTP MODEL

For their second child, they wanted that same continuity of care — support that extended beyond the birth itself. Choosing to return was not about convenience, but about confidence in a model of care that prioritizes dignity, compassion, and family.



# Conclusion

These results reflect what is possible when compassionate care, community trust, and donor support come together.

## 868 WOMEN ACCESSED OUR SERVICES IN 2025

- a 19.9% increase from 2024.

## 5,502 CONSULTATIONS

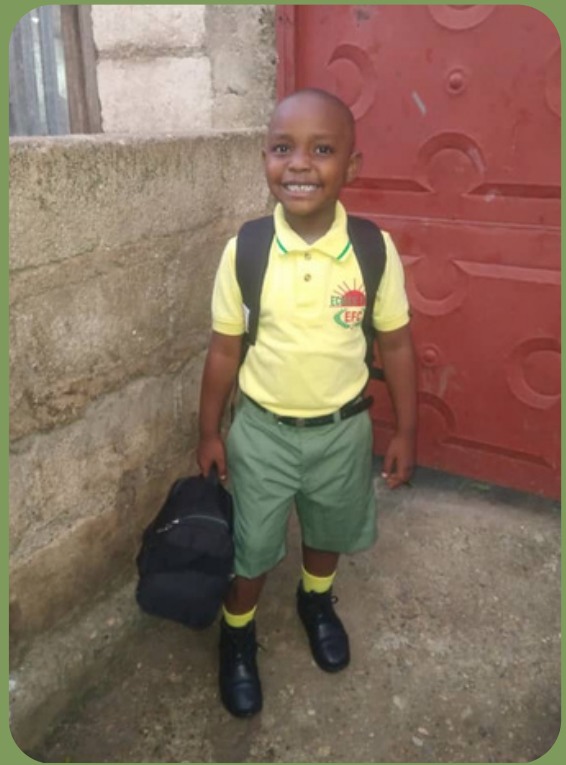
- were provided over the year, reflecting growing trust in Kay Akouchman.

## 135 BABIES WERE BORN AT THE CLINIC

- the highest number since Olive Tree Projects was founded.

Even amid ongoing instability in Haiti, Kay Akouchman continued to be a reliable source of care for women and families in Jacmel. We are proud of what was achieved in 2025 and deeply grateful to everyone who made it possible. Together, we are helping ensure more families can access safe, respectful care close to home.





We thank you for your continued support in our efforts to reduce maternal and infant mortality all while keeping families united.


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