

LITTLE HAVENS

CHFF'S CHILD PROTECTION AND WELLBEING PROGRAM



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PROGRAM HISTORY

On October 8th, 2022, a field agent from Fontaine Hospital (CHF) informed founder/CEO, Jose Ulysse, about the increasing number of Haitians fleeing gang violence in Cité-Soleil, Tabarre, and Croix-des-Bouquets. Seeking refuge from constant gunfighting, over 5,000 individuals made up of

- newborns to seniors,
- · persons with disabilities
- unaccompanied minors
- Pregnant girls, teens, and women in their last trimester who have never received prenatal care

Congregated and banded together at the public park Hugo Chavez near the capital's International Airport. A few days later CHF Foundation began its humanitarian response to the internally displaced families.

Every day, from October to December Fontaine Hospital's mini bus transported small groups of women, children, seniors, and persons with disabilities to the hospital for:

- complete check-up & Immunization
- a change of scenery
- Pre and Post Natal Care
- rest in a clean and safe area
- a warm meal
- hygiene and food kits
- hospital admission if needed
- · clean, sanitary condition
- Medication Prescriptions

On the 0-5 year old consultation day Fontaine Hospital (CHF), founder/CEO Jose Ulysse, thought it best that three little ones suffering from severe dehydration and malnutrition be admitted until they fully recover.

Over the next six months, Mr. Ulysse admitted 19 more little ones.

Originally the goal for the children with families is to return home after 6 months giving the parents/guardians enough time to get back on their feet.

However, with the lack of job opportunities it is nearly impossible for the parents/guardians to get back on their feet financially.

One year later, 16 of the original 22 children are still in our organization's 24-hour care leading us to reframe this short term program into a long term one for those original children.



PROGRAM MISSION, VISION & EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Understanding the long term impact of early childhood trauma/stress on developing brains and bodies, we strive to provide a temporary haven and serve as a lifelong support system for children whose parents/guardians can no longer guarantee a safe, nurturing environment.

Our vision is a nation where "Street Children" and "Cast Away" children cease to exist.



Our program aims to establish, protect and reinforce the wellbeing of children from unstable homes especially homes in volatiles communities through

- temporaryenrichment havens (up to 24 months) for children with parents /guardians
- long term sanctuaries, 24+ months for children without parents/guardians
 - For the children who have lost all contact with their parents/guardians CHF Foundation is parepared to support them until they are independent adults in a safe, nurturing home-like environment.

Wishlist

We would like to offer in-patient education and daycare services to pediatric patients expected to stay at Fontaine Hospital longer than 12 days.







Tackling Malnutrition, Abuse & Neglect

Malnutrition Treatment

Short-Term Hospital (0-3 months)

- Safe and secure living space for malnourished children at CHF
- Basic healthcare, nutrition, education and emotional support at CHF
- Parent/Guardian education and group counseling
- Transition planning and support for parents/guardians at the end of the Nutritional Recovery Program

<u>Transitional Housing (6-24 months)</u>

*** Qualifying children from internally displaced or refugee families suffering from malnutrition as a result of housing insecurity will transition into our Transitional Havens (6-24 months)

Long Term Housing and Support

***Children whose malnutrition is caused by intentional abuse and neglect will transition into our long-term sanctuary(24+ months) offering a family oriented



CHILD PROTECTION LONG TERM CARE & SUPPORT

Transitional Housing Services (6 - 24 months)

- Nutrition and Healthcare
- 24-hour Montessori-inspired daycare & living space
- Financial literacy workshops for parent/guardians
- Encourage adult literacy and vocational training for parent/guardian
- Facilitate job placement opportunities
- Family counseling and family reunification Preparation

Longterm Sanctuary Services (24+ months)

- Nutrition and Healthcare
- 24-hour Montessori-inspired daycare and home-like living space
- School Enrollment from first grade, including extra curricular activities
- Counseling and emotional support for children
- Support them through life's milestones, such as first communion, high school graduation, college admission/graduation, .



Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

- Reunification Rate: Percentage of children successfully reunified with their families.
- Educational Milestones:
 - Number of long term care children successfully completing First Grade
 - Number of parent/guardians successfully completing adult literacy
 - Number of parent/guardian successfully completing financial literacy and family education
 - Number of parent/guardian successfully completing vocational training and have a job placement.
- Health and Wellbeing: Regular health check-ups and improvement in nutritional status.
- <u>Community Engagement</u>: Number of community events and partnerships established.
- <u>Sustainability</u>: Ability to sustain and expand the program over time.



BUDGET: USD 110,000/ YEAR

Project Duration: 15 months

24-Hour Childcare Program USD 60,000/ year

- Medical
- Nutrition
- Housing
- Education
- PT, OT, Speech Therapy
- Staff Retention and Development
- Family Day, Education, Counseling

Short Term Daycare at CHF

USD 30, 000/year

- For Long term pediatric patients at CHF
- On site teaching and tutoring
- Virtual education
- PT, OT, Speech Therapy
- Family Education and Counseling
- Staff Retention





Help us establish the first Montessori-Inspired daycare for low-income children at CHF



Success Story:

Mother returns to pick up son after 8 months of working on her financial stability - July 2023



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