

HAITI MEDICAL MISSION OF WISCONSIN

Building Local Capacity For Care &
Empowering our Haitian Partners
For a More Resilient & Sustainable Future



ABOUT 20 YEARS AGO WE ESTABLISHED CENTRE de SANTÉ SACRÉ-CŒUR de THIOTTE



In 1997, people from Wisconsin were introduced to Thiotte. Soon thereafter, Haiti Medical Mission of Wisconsin (HMMW) was formed.

- Stimulated by a jointly held vision among people in Thiotte and HMMW leaders, generous and caring individuals, families, friends and faith-based groups throughout Wisconsin joined together to establish **the first and only health care facility in a remote and mountainous region of rural south east Haiti.**
- Though simple and without many modern conveniences, our medical mission teams and Haitian partners have effectively utilized the facility to care for patients for nearly 20 years.
- **Centre de Santé Sacré-Cœur de Thiotte (CSST)** continues to be the health care hub for this remote region of the poorest country in our hemisphere.



DIRECTED BY VOLUNTEERS AND FUELED BY GENEROUS DONORS



- We Support Centre de Santé Sacré-Cœur de Thiote. The clinic provides jobs for Haitian health care workers, who deliver year-round health care & health education to 8,000 patients annually, throughout the remote and mountainous region of south east Haiti.
- We Challenge and empower our Haitian partners to enhance management capabilities, which boost effective operations, sustainability, and accountability.
- We Engage with others here and in Haiti to facilitate and establish greater local Haitian capacity for quality care.

HMMW LEVERAGES CAPACITY THROUGH PARTNERSHIPS AND NEW INITIATIVES



- We formalized our health care partnership through a **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)** with the Diocese of Jacmel. The MOU **establishes a framework & expectations** for the health care partnership. Haitian Bishop Glandas pledged the “continued use of CSST grounds and facilities for health care programming and service delivery.”



- We’ve engaged the preeminent builder of health care infrastructure in Haiti, **Build Health International** to renovate and upgrade CSST.

- We secure funds & forge relationships to expand & enhance quality health care services.

CLINIC FACILITIES ARE INADEQUATE and REQUIRE IMMEDIATE IMPROVEMENTS



- Site assessment in 2017 by Build Health International, US licensed and Haiti experienced, structural engineer, plumber and electrician found significant inadequacies for potable water, sanitation and wastewater treatment, electricity, lighting and power, and storm water management.
- Facilities and infrastructure are deteriorated. Renovations and upgrades will improve facilities for staff and patients. **Services can be expanded to yield revenue-generating programs, which will contribute to greater independence and sustainability.**



BY RENOVATING AND UPGRADING CSST FACILITIES WE WILL INCREASE LOCAL RESILENCY, INDEPENDENCE & SUSTAINABILITY

- BHI will address inadequate **potable water** by providing a **new water source**, storage, circulation/pressure, and filtration to the necessary fixtures and outlets.
- **Solutions & mitigation** for the **routing & safe disposal of wastewater** will be made.
- **Improvements** will be made to provide a **safe electrical system** that supplies critical power & lighting in an **energy efficient** manner. Depending upon budget, this will include new **electrical distribution**, overcurrent protection, short circuit protection and grounding, and potentially a new generator, and lighting & power outlets.
- BHI will review current roof and **site drainage** and make **improvements to route storm/rainwater** away from the building on the roof, and route the water safely off campus.
- If budget is sufficient, BHI will also **review and make recommendations to clinic circulation** and **overall efficiency of the layout**. Better utilization of **operating suite, eye room**, designated space for **dental** and patient waiting areas will be addressed.

JOIN US – WITH YOUR HELP NOW

**We are Building Local Capacity for Haitian-Based and Quality Health Care.
Together, We are Empowering Our Haitian Partners
for a Resilient and More Sustainable Future.**



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