

RONCALLI

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

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A YEAR OF SOWING
SEEDS OF HOPE





MISSION

Together with disadvantaged populations in developing countries, we build more humane and just communities as we manifest the compassion and the Providence of God. We collaborate in empowering them through partnerships and projects that improve their living conditions and their self-sufficiency.



VISION

Become a committed partner whose actions of solidarity have a positive and sustainable impact on marginalized and vulnerable populations in developing countries.



VALUES

Compassion

We accompany those who suffer in the world. Listening to their needs, we contribute to their spiritual, emotional and physical wellbeing. We act with benevolence to end the causes of poverty.

Respect

We recognize the sacred nature of each person, as well as the value and dignity inherent in them. The diversity of our team and its intercultural sensitivity allow us to use our long-standing expertise to find adequate, environmentally conscious and sustainable solutions.

Fairness

We treat all people fairly, especially in the context where inequalities and exclusion of vulnerable populations persist. We work to establish equality between women and men, to fight discrimination and oppression and to promote justice.

Solidarity

We recognize the interconnectedness and interdependence that unites us to others. We stand with the most vulnerable populations, focusing on mutual aid, cooperation and sharing.

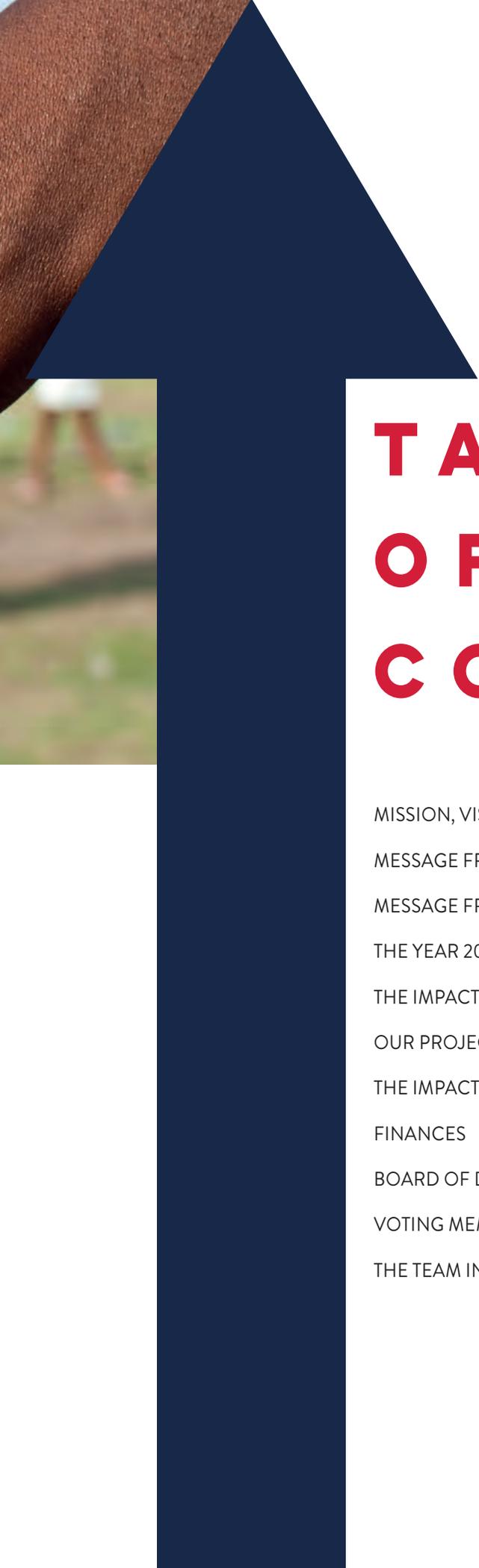


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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

MORE EFFECTIVE, WITH NEW ALLIES... AND EXCELLENT RESULTS!

Working in a more effective fashion, raising the Roncalli International Foundation's profile, solidifying its long-term funding so as to improve living conditions for even more of the individuals who are among the poorest on the planet; that is how I would sum up our amazing 2021. And, as you will see in this report, our results were even better than what we had forecast!

This year marked the beginning of the implementation of the strategic plan that was developed in 2020. Ambitious and with a perspective on the future, this plan encompasses four focus areas. Here are the main achievements:

Focus area #1: Customized value-added services. We raised the maximum amount of funding available for eligible projects of 12 months from \$25,000 to \$35,000. Furthermore, we simplified and accelerated the project approval process, which enabled us to support more initiatives and increase our partners' level of satisfaction.

Focus area #2: Coherent and strategic positioning. We put in place a team responsible for philanthropic development and communications. This team is actively working to further raise the visibility of the organization.

Focus area #3: Financial sustainability. To maximize the impact of our actions in support of the poorest and continue to work in remote areas where other organizations are not present, we are diversifying our sources of funding so we can count on new allies in addition to religious congregations, who are our traditional partners.

The Foundation entered into new agreements, including with the Baillairgé Foundation, which transferred its assets to us after having ceased its activities, which are mainly evangelization efforts and access to drinking water projects. These activities dovetail very naturally with our own areas of action. The former

benefactors of the Baillairgé Foundation can continue to support these activities by contributing to the new Baillairgé Fund that was put in place by the Roncalli Foundation.

Focus area #4: Efficient and agile governance and management. Deeply rooted in the present, but also forward-looking, the Foundation continues to cultivate a talented next generation who will have what it takes to maintain our mission over the long term.

Due to the pandemic, the Roncalli International Foundation had to wait until 2021 to celebrate its 40th anniversary. In the wake of this major milestone, I want to offer my warmest thanks to all those who contribute to improving the lives of the most impoverished among us and to a better world. On behalf of the Foundation, let me extend our sincere thanks to the religious congregations that have supported us for more than 40 years, to our newest donors, our board of directors, the members of our committees, our voting members, our team and the partners who work with us on the ground to make projects happen. What incredible dedication and commitment you have shown!

In closing, I wish to thank two wonderful individuals who this year ended their service on our board of directors: Mrs. Christiane Labelle, whose immense contribution was much appreciated, and Sr. Marie de Lovinfosse, CND, whose participation on the board was all too brief, as she had to leave us in order to assume new responsibilities in Europe. I also wish to offer my sincere thanks to Sr. Agnes Campbell, CND, and to Sr. Danielle Dubois, CND, who completed their mandates as Voting members in the fall of 2021.

Once again, thank you from the bottom of my heart to all of the collaborators of the Roncalli International Foundation. With your support, we can build a more just and more human world!

LISE CASGRAIN, MBA, ICD.D

President



MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

PLANT A FEW SEEDS OF HOPE... AND WATCH THE BENEFITS APPEAR

The year 2021 was an exhilarating one! We celebrated the 40th anniversary of our organization, we enhanced our services so they provide added value, we optimized our operations, we added new employees and donors — all achieved as the pandemic continued in full force. The Foundation's team is extremely pleased with the results. Here are just a few statistics that tell the story.

The 105 projects of our regular programming and the 10 projects of our dedicated programming that were put in place in 2021 impacted over 2.6 million lives. Furthermore, the amount invested in these projects was up by nearly \$1.8 million from the previous year, an increase of more than 30%, all while keeping our administrative costs under the 8% mark.

That is how your donations and the amounts invested by religious congregations reach local communities to make a huge difference in so many lives!

Our dedicated programming enables, most notably, religious congregations to call on the Foundation to manage their infrastructure projects in countries where they have missions. For our regular programming, it is religious congregations who are the main contributors. This highlights the importance of diversifying and optimizing our sources of funding in a context where the presence of religious congregations across Canada is diminishing, whereas they are flourishing overseas, often in countries that receive support from the Foundation.

Once again, this year, these congregations were extremely generous, contributing more than \$1.4 million to our 2021 annual campaign.

More than ever, the projects we support are meeting needs that are too rarely attended to. I have in mind, for example, the psychopedagogical support provided to children at the

Émilie-Gamelin school in Torbeck, Haiti, or the new residence for the Las Pequeñas Hermanas de la Sagrada Familia religious congregation in Honduras. This residence will enable the congregation to better serve the most impoverished.

This report will give you detailed accounts of these projects and of several others, such as our response to the 2021 earthquake in Haiti, the renovation of a hospital in the Philippines, the launching of the book *Profession: missionnaire*, and more. You will get a clear picture of just how much your donations transform lives for the better!

Internally, we created a Philanthropic Development and Communications department and consolidated our finance and administration and international projects teams, which necessitated the hiring of new resources. The Foundation will benefit from our new employees' solid work experience in Haiti and in various countries in Latin America, Africa and Asia.

I wish to congratulate them, and every other member of our team, for their professionalism and their exemplary dedication. I also want to salute two colleagues who have moved on: Ms. Gessie Myriam Michel, who is passionate about the web and who took the plunge into that domain, as well as Ms. Danielle Hachey, who will continue her career in the legal sector.

Finally, I extend a huge thank you to our donors, and more particularly to the religious congregations who have supported us for such a long time. You are the Roncalli International Foundation's prime inspiration, and you will remain so. Thanks to you, and to our other donors, our terrific employees and our partners, the Foundation will be able to keep on sowing seeds of hope.

I hope you enjoy reading this report!

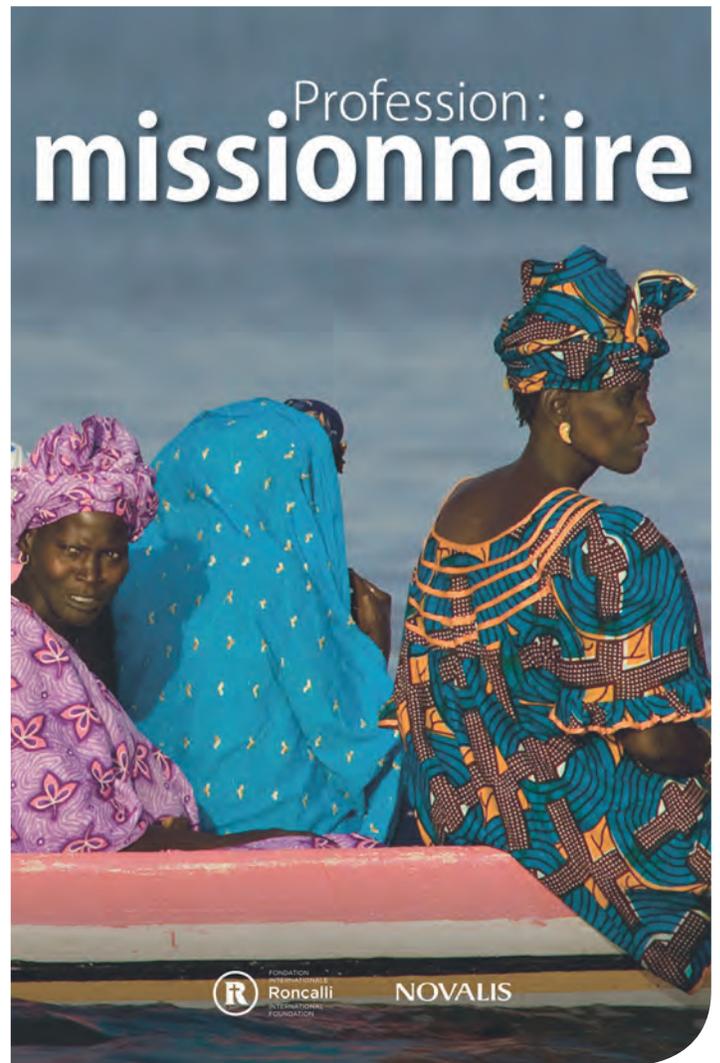
DANIELLE VALIQUETTE, MBA
Executive Director

SOWING SEEDS OF HOPE: THE YEAR AT A GLANCE



The year 2021 marked the first year of the implementation of the Foundation's new 2020-2024 strategic plan. The aim of this plan is to reposition the Foundation so it can better respond to the needs of the communities it supports and make a significant contribution towards creating a world of humanity.

As you will see in these major highlights, many seeds of hope were planted last year. These impressive results were achieved thanks to your precious collaboration and support. We now look forward to nourishing those seeds and seeing them grow and flourish over the next three years so that a more just and dignified world can bloom.



JANUARY

Increase in the maximum amount for projects

One of the first actions taken by the Foundation as part of its new strategic plan was to increase the maximum amount for projects from \$25,000 to \$35,000. With this increase, projects supported by the Foundation can have a greater positive impact on the living conditions of children, women and men over the long-term.

FEBRUARY

Launch of the 2021 annual campaign

With the COVID-19 pandemic still raging around the globe, the 2021 annual campaign highlighted the urgency for shared solidarity in order to respond to the resulting growing needs. Over 70 religious congregations responded with an outpouring of generosity, and the campaign raised \$1.4 million for projects that will make a significant difference in the lives of millions.

MAY

Publication of the book *Profession: missionnaire*

As part of its 40th anniversary celebrations, the Foundation published the book *Profession: missionnaire* in collaboration with Novalis Publishing. The book tells the inspiring journey of 16 missionaries with close ties to the Foundation. All driven by an undeniable desire for greater justice for all, each missionary recounts his/her extraordinary life journey working alongside impoverished communities in the Global South in their efforts to build a better future. These stories bear witness to the commitment of these individuals towards the poorest of our world, as well as the remarkable support of the Roncalli International Foundation in making a lasting impact.



JUNE

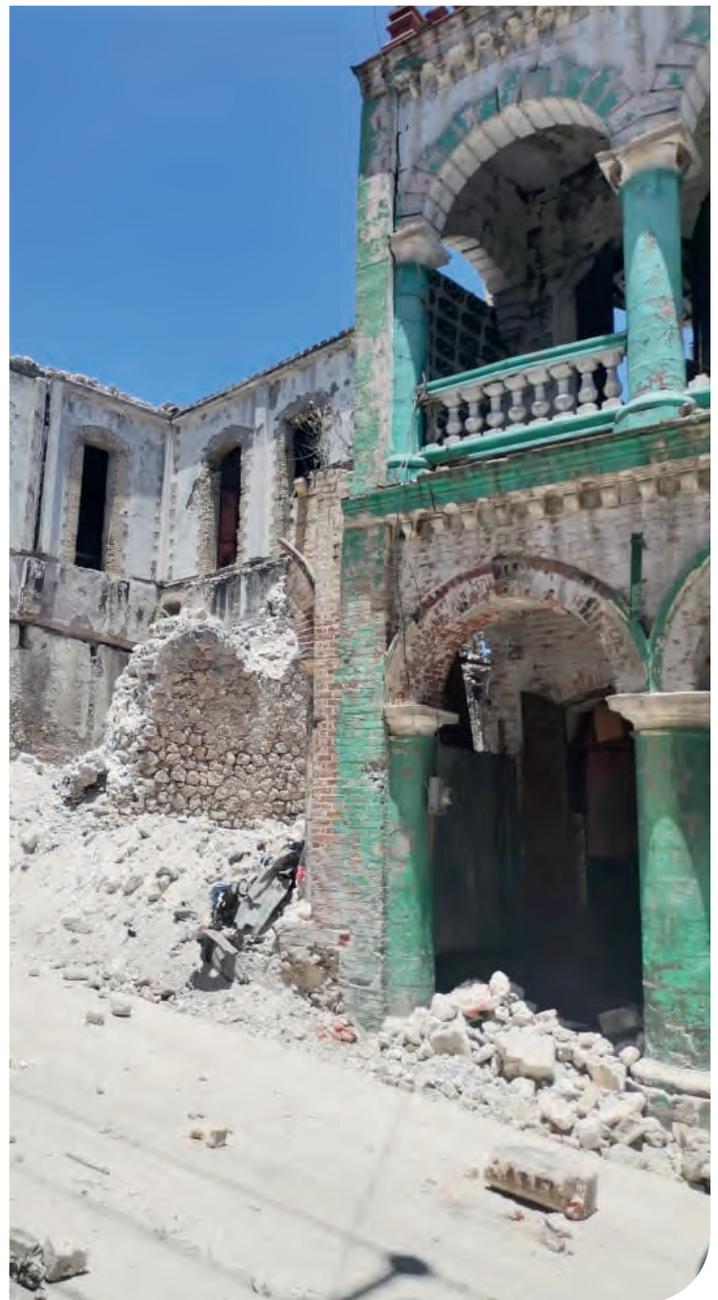
The Foundation celebrates its 40th anniversary

Although the Foundation was meant to celebrate its 40th anniversary with an in-person event in 2020, the pandemic meant that the festivities would need to take place online instead. On June 2nd, over 200 people from around the world close to the Foundation gathered online to celebrate this milestone. The celebration included a retrospective of the Foundation’s accomplishments over the last 40 years, a look towards the future, messages from its partners in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and Latin America and a special performance by the Minstrels of Hope, a choir in the Philippines that helps street children. Video highlights from the event, including an interview with Archbishop Christian Lépine of the diocese of Montreal, are available on the Foundation’s YouTube channel. As part of the 40th anniversary celebrations, the members of the Board of Directors also launched a fundraising initiative to finance the drilling of a well in the community of Oban in Cameroon. Through their efforts, \$10,385 was raised for this project which will provide access to clean water for almost 3,000 people.

AUGUST

Responding to the earthquake in Haiti

On August 14th, 2021, Haiti experienced a 7.2 magnitude earthquake that left 650,000 people in need of aid. With a long history of working in Haiti, the Roncalli Foundation knew it needed to respond. It launched an appeal in support of its Haiti Assistance Fund in order to help communities rebuild from this devastating natural disaster. The response was an outpouring of generosity and \$360,000 was raised. Funding has been provided to projects aimed at repairing and rebuilding homes and schools, and helping people meet their basic needs.





SEPTEMBER

Inauguration of the new residence for the Las Pequeñas Hermanas de la Sagrada Familia

On September 28th, members of the religious congregation Las Pequeñas Hermanas de la Sagrada Familia (LPHSF) in Honduras celebrated the inauguration of their new residence, built in the capital Tegucigalpa. The construction of the residence was managed by the Roncalli Foundation and its technical partners and financed by a Canadian religious congregation to respond to the needs of the LPHSF for safe and adequate facilities to welcome novices, visitors and poor families that must travel to Tegucigalpa for healthcare treatments. This \$3.5 million project was completed within three years, despite challenges brought on by the pandemic and tropical storms. Now the congregation is in a better position to fulfill its charism and support neighbouring impoverished communities.

OCTOBER

The Baillaigé Fund is launched

On October 1st, the Roncalli Foundation launched the Baillaigé Fund, following the transfer of the assets of the Baillaigé Foundation, which ceased operations in 2021. The fund was established to continue the mission and legacy of the Baillaigé Foundation, which was established in 1986 by Dr. Claude Baillaigé to help finance the formation of seminarians, particularly in the Global South, and to support humanitarian relief. The Roncalli Foundation is honoured to pursue these works through the Baillaigé Fund and to welcome the donors and partners of the Baillaigé Foundation to the Roncalli family.



THE IMPACT OF OUR REGULAR PROGRAMMING IN 2021



LATIN AMERICA

7 countries
20 projects
213,014 people supported
\$415,000 allocated

PROJECTS THAT HELP HOPE GROW!

Our regular programming is the heart of the Roncalli International Foundation's mission. This programming supports projects of up to \$35,000 that align with our areas of action and are funded by our annual campaign. These small projects actually have an enormous impact on the communities that implement them. **Imagine** no longer having to walk several hours a day to access drinking water, thanks to the drilling of a well right in one's village. **Imagine** giving birth with peace of mind thanks to the purchase of equipment for birthing centres in isolated areas, rather than having to travel long distances, often by motorcycle, to a hospital in the capital. Or then again, **imagine** being able to send one's children to school, thanks to training that leads to opportunities for income-generating activities. Thanks to impacts such as these, hope takes root and will continue to bear fruit for years to come. We are proud to present to you the results of our regular programming and to spotlight some initiatives that spread hope in 2021.



AFRICA

18 countries
59 projects
1,708,186 people supported
\$1,022,000 allocated

THE CARIBBEAN

1 country
23 projects
86,601 people supported
\$476,000 allocated

ASIA AND OCEANIA

2 countries
3 projects
569,600 people supported
\$100,000 allocated



105 PROJECTS

28 COUNTRIES

2,577,401 PEOPLE SUPPORTED

\$2,013,000 ALLOCATED

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



DRINKING WATER

21

PROJECTS

11

COUNTRIES

\$445,000

ALLOCATED

73,364

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Benin	Bénin Enfants Sains	Addition of two public fountains in Folly-Condji and Allowa
Brazil	Missionário da Consolata (Amazonia)	Drilling of an artesian well and installation of an electric pump in the Indigenous community of Raposa Serra do Sol
Cameroon	Village community of Oban	Drilling of a well for drinking water and installation of a hand pump
Cameroon	Centre de Formation Agricole (CAPAM)	Installation of a solar-powered pump to provide drinking water to the CAPAM agricultural training centre in Zamakoé, Mbalmayo
Cameroon	Parish of the village community of Mbélékié	Drilling of a well and installation of a hand pump
Cameroon	Community of Saint-Coeur-de-Marie de Mbalmayo	Drilling of an artesian well and installation of a hand pump
Cameroon	Caritas Obala	Drilling of an artesian well, installation of a hand pump and building of a water supply system
Cameroon	Sœurs Servantes du Saint-Cœur de Marie	Drilling of a well with electric pump in Yokadouma
Central African Republic	Petites Sœurs du Cœur de Jésus	Drilling of a well for the Boeing neighbourhood
Costa Rica	ASADA	Installation of a water main in four villages in the Canton of Osa
Ecuador	Centro de Desarrollo, Difusión e Investigación Social	Provision of water supply, and reinforcing the resilience of Quichua rural communities
Haiti	Saint-Pierre-Claver Parish	Installation of a water purification system in Dory
Haiti	Petits Frères de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus	Installation of a water purification system in Cornillon-Grand-Bois
Haiti	Sœurs de Saint-François d'Assise	Building a reservoir and a water distribution system on Île-à-Vache
Haiti	Sainte-Catherine-de-Sienne Parish	Drilling a well and building a cistern at Carrefour Péligré
Haiti	Missionnaires Montfortains	Addition of a water system at the Institution Mixte Notre-Dame de l'Assomption in Port-au-Prince
Haiti	Saint-Antoine-de-Padoue Parish	Installation of a water purification system in Laporte
Honduras	Asociación San José Obrero	Installation of the drinking water system at the Centro Santa Maria del Rosario in Choluteca
Malawi	Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Conception	Drilling of a well and installation of a solar-powered pumping system and a reservoir in Lilongwe
Mali	Sœurs de Sainte-Croix	Construction of a water supply system in Kadiolo
Peru	Alas de Esperanza	Installation of a drinking water system in the community of Colpapampa

A PROJECT THAT SOWS HOPE

DRINKING WATER



AMOUNT ALLOCATED

\$13,298

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

4,000



COUNTRY

BENIN



LOCAL PARTNER

Bénin Enfants Sains

BY THE CLEAR FOUNTAIN, THEY FIND BETTER HEALTH

Certain projects may seem modest, but can nonetheless have an extraordinary impact on a region and its inhabitants. The addition of two fountains providing drinking water in the villages of Folly-Condji and Allowa in Grand Popo, a rural area in the Mono department of Benin, is one of those seemingly unassuming projects that is indispensable to the life of a community.

Benin remains one of the poorest countries in the world, as measured by the human development index, coming in at number 158 out of 189 countries and territories. In 2018, one child out of three in the country suffered from malnutrition, according to UNICEF. It should be noted that, in recent years, Benin's government has improved its population's access to drinking water. However, some remote areas are still lagging behind. In rural areas, the lack of drinking water is the source of multiple problems. Children are affected by waterborne diseases, like chronic diarrhoea, which is one of the main causes of death in children aged five and under.

Louise Leduc, president and founder of Bénin Enfants Sains (healthy children in Benin) and initiator of the project, has been working on this issue in the country for 10 years. The retired nurse has for a number of years been organizing humanitarian internships at the health centre in Grand Popo. This particular project is the result of years of work on the ground, work that enabled her to develop concrete ways to help to cut down on illnesses caused by the consumption of unclean water and reduce mortality among children aged 0 to five. The installation of the fountains, supported by the Roncalli International Foundation, is one of the strategies specifically put forward by Bénin Enfants Sains.

More than just a water fountain

The installation of the fountains has also made drinking water accessible to several nearby villages and volunteers were trained to understand illnesses tied to the consumption of unclean water. Last but certainly not least, women in the village learned how to manage the fountains and act to prevent waterborne diseases. They are continuing to transmit their knowledge, thus making for a healthier village!

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



AGRICULTURE

15

PROJECTS

12

COUNTRIES

\$304,000

ALLOCATED

40,082

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Burkina Faso	Association de Solidarité Patoinyimba pour le bien-être social de Doulou	Enhancing food security, and supporting education about COVID-19, in Doulou
Burundi	Fondation Mains Ouvertes	Support for beekeeping in Makamba
Cameroon	Société des Missionnaires des Saints Apôtres	Support for food production in Ekékam III
Central African Republic	Petites Soeurs de Saint François	Support for food security of widows in Kpata
Colombia	Fundación Menonita Colombiana para el Desarrollo	Enhancing food security, and education on prevention of COVID-19
Côte d'Ivoire	Missionnaires de la Consolata	Enhancing food security and support for cultivation in greenhouses in Kouakoukro
Haiti	Petits Frères de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus	Enhancing food security in Laguamithe
Haiti	Missionnaires du Christ Roi	Support for food production in Tabarre
Haiti	Petites Sœurs de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus	Support for food production in Fort-Liberté and Baudin
Haiti	Unité des Jeunes Marins	Enhancing food security in Marin
Kenya	Consolata Missionaries	Enhancing food security at the seminary centre and in the community
Madagascar	Filles de la Charité du Sacré-Cœur de Jésus (FCSCJ)	Installation of a fence and a solar-powered pump for purposes of food security on the FCSCJ farm in Antsoha
Malawi	Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom	Enlargement of a barn for cattle breeding in Sitima
Mali	Association Kilabo	Support for agricultural entrepreneurship for women and youth
Togo	Société des Missions Africaines	Support for agropastoral activities with a view to enhancing youth employability in Yokoe

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



INFRASTRUCTURE

13

PROJECTS

10

COUNTRIES

\$208,000

ALLOCATED

4,845

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Burkina Faso	Sœurs Notre-Dame des Apôtres	Installation of solar panels at the Postulat Sœurs Notre-Dame des Apôtres
Cameroon	Sacré-Cœur de Kette Parish	Restoration of the Kette welcome centre
Cameroon	Saint-Raphaël Parish	Repair of the parish church's roof
Costa Rica	ADI Punta Mala	Restoration of the Coronado community centre
Côte d'Ivoire	Institut Raoul Follereau d'Adzopé des Sœurs Notre-Dame des Apôtres	Restoration of the Institut Raoul Follereau d'Adzopé
Ecuador	Nuevo Cojimies school	Repair of the Hermano Miguel school
Ecuador	Misioneros de la Consolata	Improvements to the Indigenous centre of the Vicariate of Sucumbíos
Haiti	Frères missionnaires Saint Alphonse Marie de Liguori	Installation of a solar panel system in La Vallée-de-Jacmel
Honduras	Asociación San José Obrero	Installation of an electricity grid at the Centro Santa Maria del Rosario in Choluteca
Kenya	Consolata Missionaries	Installation of a solar panel system and a water heater in Nyeri
Papua New Guinea	Diocese of Lae	Renovation of the community hall at St-Francis parish in Wau
Uganda	Claretian Missionaries of East Africa	Installation of a solar panel system at the Saint-Clair professional training centre in Kiyunga
Uganda	Brothers of Christian Instruction, Nebbi Brothers' Community	Renovation of three classrooms and rainwater harvesting at the school in Nebbi Town

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



EDUCATION

16

PROJECTS

9

COUNTRIES

\$338,000

ALLOCATED

831,416

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Benin	Sœurs Notre-Dame des Apôtres	Refurbishment of the Sœurs Notre-Dame des Apôtres' residence in Cotonou
Benin	Direction diocésaine de l'enseignement catholique	Purchase of furniture and computer equipment for a new library in Dassa-Zoumè
Brazil	Filhas de Caridade do Sagrado Coração de Jesus	Purchase of furniture and installation of two washrooms for students at the Escola Pequena de Coração de Jésus in Brejo
Brazil	Missionário da Consolata	Integral human development training for the youth of Japeri
Cameroon	Diocese of Bafoussam	Refurbishment of the Collège Saint-Joseph de Bandjoun building
Colombia	Misioneros de la Consolata	Publication of a textbook on the prevention of violence in Colombia
Colombia	Misioneros de la Consolata	Renewing pride and interest in Indigenous culture among the youth of Sucumbíos
Democratic Republic of Congo	Caritas Développement Goma	Developing the autonomy of girls (children and adolescents) through education
Haiti	Sœurs Saint-Joseph de Saint-Vallier	Installation of a school in Dondon
Haiti	Notre-Dame-du-Perpétuel-Secours de Totoye Parish	Acquisition of furniture for students at the parish presbyterial school
Haiti	Congrégation Missionnaires Oblats de Marie-Immaculée	Purchase of a solar panel system for a printshop in Mazenod
Haiti	Sœurs de la Providence	Psychopedagogical support for children at the Émilie-Gamelin school in Torbeck
Haiti	Petits Frères de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus	Purchase of classroom furniture in Cap-Rouge
India	Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya	Purchase of equipment and material for the Kalkeri Sangeet Vidyalaya school
Senegal	Association pour le développement intégré du village de Tendimane	Refurbishment of the school
Togo	Sœurs Notre-Dame des Apôtres	Providing textbooks in Sokodé

A PROJECT THAT SOWS HOPE

EDUCATION



AMOUNT ALLOCATED

\$15,346

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

1,400



COUNTRY

HAITI



LOCAL PARTNER

Sœurs de la Providence

THE CARING SCHOOL

The Sœurs de la Providence (Sisters of Providence) have been active in Haiti for 30 years, and in 2017 they founded the Émilie-Gamelin school in Ste-Véronique de Torbeck; it is a large elementary school that educates 400 children. The sisters and the teaching staff explain that the school's mission is not just to develop students' knowledge and competencies, but also to help them blossom, so that they can integrate as well as possible into society and thereby realize their full potential. That is why, since its creation, the school has adopted new pedagogical methods to educate and socialize these young people according to the following values: respect for others, confidence in the potential we each hold within us, caring for the most disadvantaged and for children with special needs, and equality of opportunity.

However, after four years of operation, the school's leadership realized just how much of an impact the deterioration of the country's social framework was having on students and their families, and the importance of addressing the problem through new solutions. The current situation in Haiti is having dramatic repercussions for children's health and for their ability to learn. Children have been affected by the combined impact of the August 14th, 2021 earthquake, the country's current political and socioeconomic crisis, insecurity caused by violence, the presence of gangs, stress, and the COVID-19 pandemic, among others.

The sisters observed that several of the school's students aged between 3 and 14 years were suffering from attention deficits or hyperactivity; while others were manifesting violent or inappropriate behaviours. These youth are often traumatized and distraught, and consequently have difficulty adapting to a school environment, all of which leads them to fail in their studies. In these cases, staff were struggling to help the students, often having exhausted all the intervention resources at their disposal.

But out of this difficult situation, a new and innovative project was born. Funded by the Roncalli Foundation, it sets out to provide resources for psycho-educational support to children of the Émilie-Gamelin school. Note that this program includes support for everyone involved with the school; children, teachers and parents are all part of the equation that leads to success!

The congregation joined forces with Cafo Psy, a centre founded and operated by Les Pères Jésuites de Port-au-Prince (The Jesuit Fathers of Port-au-Prince), that offers training and accompaniment. The trainers are professionals who organize activities oriented around psychology, neuropsychology and pedagogy, on a one-on-one basis or in groups, for children, teachers and parents.

To sum it all up, this metaphor from one of the sisters responsible for managing this educational program provides a good description of the project's goals: "From a very young age, a tree will tend to bend, and needs a gardener's help in order to grow in an optimal fashion." The program provides the students with the best possible conditions for them to flourish, which is bound to enhance the quality of the relationships among all individuals involved with the school.

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



HEALTH

15

PROJECTS

14

COUNTRIES

\$332,000

ALLOCATED

1,477,790

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Benin	Association Saint-Camille de Lellis	Acquisition of a direct scanning system for the Tokan medical clinic in Cotonou
Burkina Faso	OCADES Caritas Tenkodogo	Providing medical equipment for the Garango health centre
Cameroon	Cercle des Amis de la Forêt pour le 21e siècle	Rehabilitation of the community health centre in Ibaïkak
Chad	Notre-Dame des Apôtres de Maingara Hospital	Purchase of material for the hospital
Colombia	Fundación Albeiro Vargas & Ángeles Custodios	Purchase of furniture and medical equipment for a centre for the vulnerable elderly in Bucaramanga
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Congrégation des Soeurs Salésiennes de la Visitation	Support for preventive and protective measures relative to COVID-19 in schools in Kenge and Idiofa
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Centre féminin Maison d'espérance	Support for a vaccination awareness campaign and for preventive measures relative to COVID-19 in Kinshasa
Haiti	Petits Frères de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus	Purchase of materials for the dental clinic of the Petits Frères de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus in Sigueneau
Honduras	Cooperativa Cafetalera de San Marcos (COCASAM)	Installation of sanitary latrines in the community of El Jicarito
India	SOPAR-Bala Vikasa	Access to drinking water and improvement of health and hygiene conditions in seven rural villages in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh
Nicaragua	Asociación Redes de Solidaridad Nicaragua	Promotion of women's rights and children's rights in Nueva Vida
Peru	Ayni Desarrollo	Upgrading or purchase of equipment for nine birthing centres in two Machiguengas communities
Rwanda	Mouvement des travailleurs chrétiens au Rwanda	Support for prevention of, and work against the spread of, COVID-19 in Gikumba
Tanzania	Consolata Missionaries	Support for the preventive and protective measures relative to malaria for women and children in Kidagaa
Uganda	Ecumenical Orthodox-Catholic Church	Installation of hand washing stations, and support for prevention measures relative to COVID-19 in rural and urban areas in Bwera

A PROJECT THAT SOWS HOPE

HEALTH



AMOUNT ALLOCATED

\$26,415

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

9,100



COUNTRY

COLOMBIA



LOCAL PARTNER

Fundación Albeiro Vargas
& Ángeles Custodios

THE “GUARDIAN ANGELS” OF BUCARAMANGA

Albeiro Vargas, from the Bucaramanga favela in Colombia, spent a great deal of time with his grandfather when he was a child of six years old. And in that time spent with the patriarch of the family, his calling in life emerged. Every day, Albeiro took care of him, and played and chatted with him. When his grandfather passed away, Albeiro decided that he would come to the aid of the “other grandfathers,” neighbours who were as alone and destitute as this cherished elder was. He soon became known to all, and people in the neighbourhood began to speak of the “niño que regala café,” or “the kid who brought coffee to the old folks.”

The number of elderly individuals in need of help, however, just kept growing. Albeiro called upon a group of teenagers from the community to help him respond to these growing needs. He nicknamed them the “Guardian Angels.” That is how the Fundación Albeiro Vargas & Ángeles Custodios (Albeiro Vargas & Guardian Angels Foundation), also known as FAVAC, came in to being in 1984. The core of FAVAC’s mission is to protect older individuals who are in a situation of vulnerability, give them back their dignity and bring some added spark to the latter years of their life. Today, the organization runs a residence and a hospital that provide services to improve the quality of life of more than 300 elderly individuals, with the help of 50 “Guardian Angels.” The seniors, both the residents and those who come to the centre for assistance, can take advantage of a variety of services and types of care administered by qualified personnel.

In 2021, the Roncalli International Foundation’s support enabled FAVAC to purchase additional furniture, wheelchairs and hospital material that served to improve care for the elderly. The equipment and medical supplies improved the day-to-day life of residents, and helped the centre deal with problems and emergencies resulting from COVID-19.

Without forgetting that the “Guardian Angels” are still there to help, FAVAC continues to benefit from the commitment of a group of children and youth who live in Bucaramanga and who embody life and hope for all. These young people participate in training programs provided by the organization and eventually become social and community leaders in the neighbourhood and in their families. In exchange, FAVAC supports the “Guardian Angels” through food aid, help with studies, recreational activities and more. This innovative intergenerational sharing fosters greater social cohesion and strengthens solidarity in the community.

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



EVANGELIZATION

18

PROJECTS

7

COUNTRIES

\$224,000

ALLOCATED

94,233

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Burkina Faso	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 2
Burkina Faso	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 1
Burkina Faso	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 2
Cameroon	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 2
Cameroon	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 1
Cameroon	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 1
Cameroon	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 2
Cameroon	Sacré-Cœur de Kette Parish, Diocese of Batouri	Repair of Sacré-Cœur de Kette, Diocese of Batouri
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 3
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Support to the program “Building inner peace, and promoting peace in one’s environment”
Haiti	Notre-Dame de Pandiassou chapel	Constructing benches for the Notre-Dame de Pandiassou chapel
Haiti	Missionnaires de l’Annonciation: Semeurs d’Espoir	Construction of a residence in Jérémie
Haiti	Union des responsables de formation	Support for religious training programs in Port-au-Prince
Haiti	Maison Saint-Vincent-de-Paul	Furnishing an auditorium in Dilairé
Haiti	Notre-Dame-de-la-Chandeleur Parish	Support for evangelization in the parish of Gros Morne
Honduras	Hermanas de MARILAM	Support to the program “Building inner peace, and promoting peace in one’s environment”
Rwanda	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 1
Togo	Institut de Formation Humaine Intégrale de Montréal	Training in vulnerable communities – Immersion year 2

OUR PROJECTS

BY AREA OF ACTION



TRAINING

7

PROJECTS

6

COUNTRIES

\$162,000

ALLOCATED

19 671

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

Country	Local partner	Project
Burundi	Bwoga-Chioggia Parish	Purchase of sewing equipment for training in an income generating activity for young women.
Burundi	Collectif des associations et ONGs féminines du Burundi	Support for income generating activities in agriculture, hairdressing and sewing for women
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Bienheureux Isidore Bakanja de Lingondo Parish	Purchase of equipment for cutting and sewing in Lingondo
Haiti	Petits Frères de Sainte Thérèse de l'Enfant Jésus	Purchase of material for a workshop in Sigueneau
Honduras	Asociación TAC	Strengthening leadership among women members of the Asociación TAC through specialized training in Tegucigalpa
Niger	Centre de promotion humaine de Maradi	Renovation of a space, and purchase of equipment, for training women and young girls in knitting and sewing
Republic of Congo	Provincial Vicariat of Sainte-Agnès d'Afrique	Purchase of computer equipment and screen-printing equipment for training women with a physical disability in Brazzaville



THE IMPACT OF OUR DEDICATED PROGRAMMING

At the Roncalli Foundation, we are proud to collaborate with religious congregations and other organizations that share our mission and values and that wish to pursue their works overseas through our dedicated programming. This programming encompasses dedicated funds or endowment funds attributed to a specific region, area of action or project.

In 2021, we continued to see our dedicated programming develop, particularly through projects supported by the Missi-Sagesse Fund of the Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom, the creation of the Baillairgé Fund to help finance the formation of seminarians in the Global South and the allocation of emergency funding to a hospital in the Philippines coping with the COVID-19 pandemic, amongst other initiatives.

These projects meet our criteria and we provide all the necessary follow-up to ensure that the implementation of the project respects the best practices in international development. As you will see from the examples given, these large-scale projects are helping hope grow through sustainable results that allow communities to go even further in improving their living conditions.

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PROJECTS

5

COUNTRIES

\$4,936,000

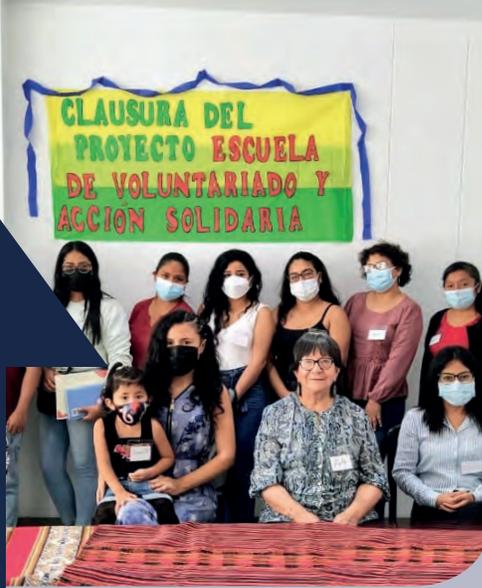
PROVIDED

14,363

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

A PROJECT THAT SOWS HOPE

CENTRO ESPERANZA



AMOUNT PROVIDED

\$39,324

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

4,420



COUNTRY

PERU



LOCAL PARTNER

Asociación civil Centro
Esperanza

INDISPENSABLE EDUCATION AT CENTRO ESPERANZA

One of Peru's principal challenges, as highlighted by figures published by UNICEF in 2022, stems from inequality between the sexes, which results in grave consequences: harmful gender norms that trivialize early pregnancies and marriages, and an acceptance of violence against women and girls.

In 2019, 9.3% of female adolescents aged 15 to 19 were already mothers, and another 3.3% were expecting their first child, thus increasing the risks both of violence against them and of their dropping out of school. What is more, youth unemployment is four times what it is among adults and 60% of youth hold jobs that are informal or do not respect labour standards.

In the Peruvian city of Chiclayo, the Centro Esperanza (Centre of Hope) has worked to change this situation by promoting community education, and advocating for the equality of the sexes, the protection of the environment and human rights.

Thanks to a dedicated fund established by a Canadian religious congregation, the Roncalli Foundation supports the implementation of two training projects at Centro Esperanza that will contribute to reducing the high rate of births among adolescents, as well as providing youth with spaces where they can undertake training that will help them be better citizens and engage in activities that can benefit their community.

In 2021, the Centro Esperanza offered staff in secondary schools in the region a training entitled "Complete education on sexuality, with an approach based on human rights, gender and intercultural factors," as well as a "School for training in volunteering and solidarity action." The participants were very grateful to the trainers for their support, their willingness to listen and their advice, as well as for the quality of the content presented.

What is more, the Centro Esperanza provided training to 25 young people in the Lambayeque region, with the objective to stimulate their participation in society through actions that foster solidarity. The training helped the youth enhance their skills and competencies while engaging them in civic activities and ethical behaviour.

The testimony of one of the participants speaks eloquently of the experience of the youth in undertaking various actions to promote solidarity:

"Volunteering doesn't only mean helping through activities that promote solidarity. It also means changing one's life and those of others; it means having an impact on the life of each individual, and growing on a spiritual and personal level. It also means being conscious of the various realities that can have an impact on individuals, and understanding that small actions can bring about a lot of change. It also means making a commitment, developing social skills and interacting with others. And it involves learning to be tolerant, supportive and empathetic with others."

A PROJECT THAT SOWS HOPE

SAN PEDRO HOSPITAL



IMPROVING HEALTH SERVICES AT THE SAN PEDRO HOSPITAL IN DAVAO CITY

The San Pedro Hospital is a critical resource for the population of Davao City in the Philippines. The city, which is the largest on the island of Mindanao, only has nine hospital beds for every 10,000 people and that number is even lower in other parts of the island. These scarce healthcare services are further strained by conflict, natural disasters, and a high prevalence of conditions such as tuberculosis, dengue, and now COVID-19.

As such, the San Pedro Hospital, which was founded by the Dominican Sisters of the Trinity in 1948 and is still operated by the religious congregation, is an essential lifeline for the thousands of patients that seek its services every year. Unfortunately, its emergency room, with only seven beds, is limited in its capacity to receive patients in a safe and comforting environment, and a Department of Health assessment concluded that it does not meet its requirements for a basic emergency complex.

A Canadian religious congregation wanted to respond to the urgent need to renovate the first floor of the hospital so staff can provide quality healthcare to their patients. The \$1.5 million major renovations will not only upgrade the emergency room, but will also modernize the outpatient unit, the lobby and the pharmacy. The Roncalli Foundation is overseeing the management of the project.

The end result will be an emergency room big enough to treat more patients; a comfortable waiting area that can accommodate the elderly and people with disabilities; a separate entrance for trauma patients that provides more privacy; and a separate entrance and section for patients needing isolation.

Construction began in June of 2021 and is progressing swiftly with the renovations scheduled to be completed by September 2022. The hospital, which was also hindered by a lack of funding due to the COVID-19 pandemic, received an additional boost at the end of the year, with emergency support in the amount of \$1.3 million to help cover the costs of equipment and staff salaries so that the hospital could continue to provide care to some of the poorest people in the region.

AMOUNT PROVIDED

1.7
MILLION
IN 2021

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

700



COUNTRY

PHILIPPINES



LOCAL PARTNER

*The Dominican Sisters of
the Trinity*

A PROJECT THAT SOWS HOPE

HAITI ASSISTANCE FUND



AMOUNT PROVIDED

\$49,115

PEOPLE SUPPORTED

1,800



COUNTRY

HAITI



LOCAL PARTNER

Province oblate
d'Haïti

BRINGING CHILDREN BACK TO SCHOOL AFTER DISASTER STRIKES

The Roncalli Foundation's Haiti Assistance Fund was established following the 2010 earthquake that devastated the country. This Fund allows the Foundation to respond rapidly to urgent needs in the country when a disaster strikes, and to support vulnerable and isolated communities in their reconstruction efforts.

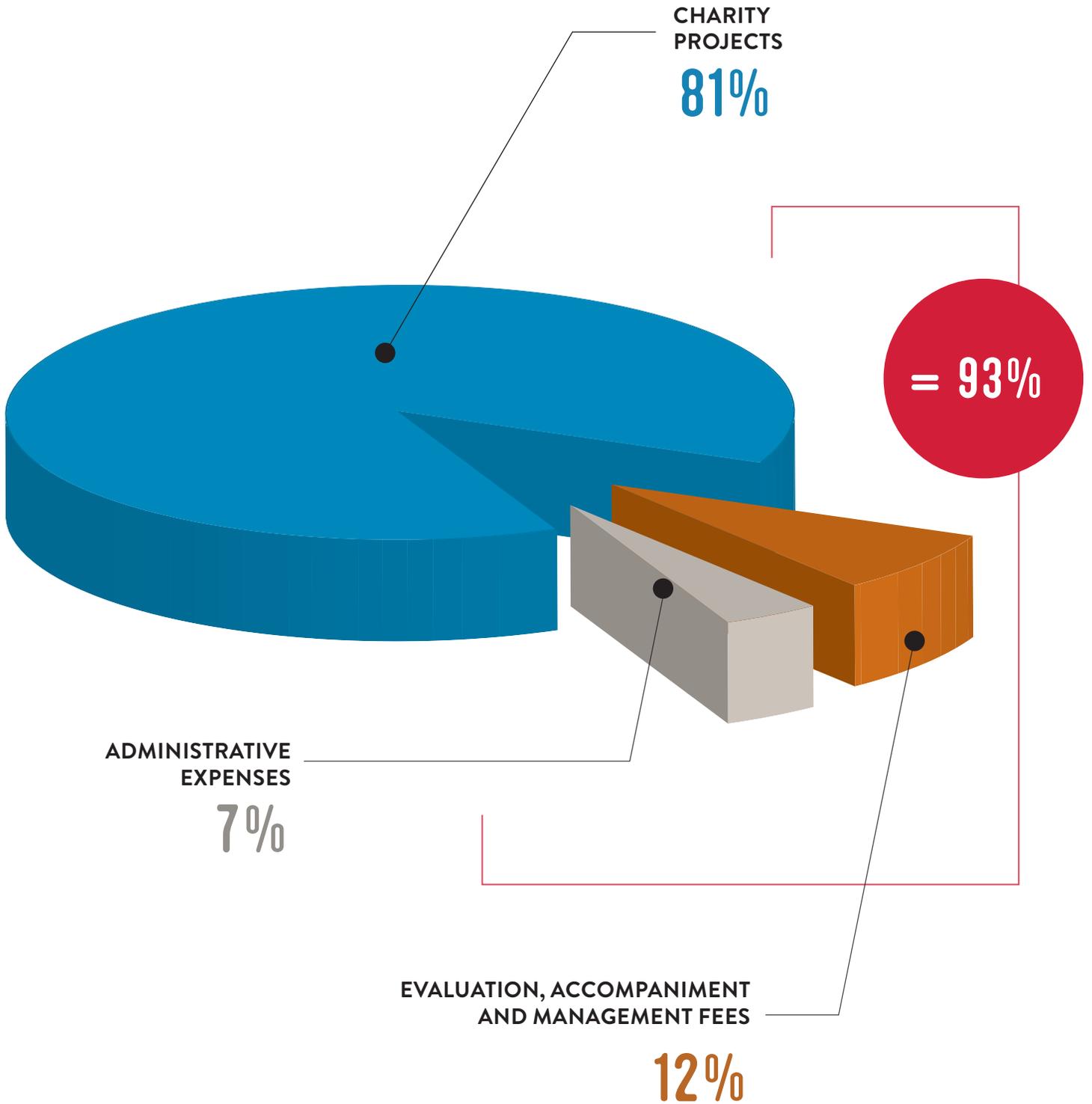
Thanks to this Fund, the Foundation could support those most affected by the August 14th, 2021 earthquake that struck the southwestern part of the country. This area, which is still recovering from the massive damage caused by Hurricane Matthew in 2016, also encompasses some of the poorest and most remote communities in the country. An estimated 650,000 people were left in need of assistance following the 7.2 magnitude tremor.

One major blow to the region was the destruction of the Collège de Mazenod in Camp-Perrin, a secondary school that welcomes 950 male and female students, mostly from impoverished families. According to UNICEF, only 46% of children attend secondary school so the college is a crucial resource. And with four out of five schools in the region destroyed by the quake, the need to get educational institutions up and running again was urgent in order to avoid long disruptions that would result in many children never resuming their studies.

In response, the Roncalli Foundation supported the Province oblate d'Haïti (Oblate Province of Haiti), which administers the Collège de Mazenod, with the construction of seven hangars that can be used as classrooms. Each hangar can accommodate 65 students and has allowed classes to resume rapidly. This has not only enabled students to pursue their studies, but has also helped to reduce the stress of students, parents and teachers after the trauma of this natural disaster.

The seven hangars have been added to seven existing ones. While the hangars are not a permanent solution, their sturdy construction means they can last for the extended period it will take to rebuild the college and be used afterwards for extracurricular and community activities.

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