



Working Together for Health in Limonade

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Greetings!

2021 has continued to be a difficult year all over the world, but particularly in Haiti. Even before the assassination of President Moise, political demonstrations were common. Since the assassination, it is more dangerous. Roving gangs kidnap and demand ransom, a beloved priest was killed in Cap Haitian while being robbed after visiting a bank. Inflation is rampant so the little money people have for basic needs buys even less. Hunger has increased. Malnutrition causes increased disease.

Despite all this, our ajan sante (community health workers) continue to work. In our latest report from Darlyng (one of the four ajan sante), she said they are making house calls, vaccinating babies and pregnant women, and distributing soap, Clorox to purify water, condoms, and dispensing electrolyte serum to prevent dehydration. The Covid vaccine has become available, and they work to educate and ease fears in the population.

The 24 HIV affected families continue to receive support through our partnership with Children's Place International. Food, transportation, emotional and educational assistance are just a few of the things that are provided to those families. CPI created a short video that you can see if you go to our website or Facebook page. It gives the viewer a good synopsis of the work being done.

Dr. Myrthil, the director of the State Clinic in Limonade, sent this message to us via WhatsApp. *"I want you to let the board members of Konbit Lasante pou Limonade know that we really appreciate their effort to promote health in Limonade, by means of mobile clinics, support of our project for the health workers, and donations for the supplies to protect us against covid-19 in the state clinic. In the name of everyone at the state clinic we want to say thank you for everything."*

Our plans for 2022 include:

- Continued funding of the stipends of the 4 ajan sante, as well as providing basic health supplies for them to distribute on their home health visits
- Continued support of 24 HIV affected families
- Mobile clinics to rural areas where there is no access to medical care

Please consider joining us in continuing this important work!

Konbit spent approximately \$50,000 in 2020 and 2021 to help improve the health of people in the Limonade area, and to employ health workers and caseworkers. Thousands of people were visited and educated by the ajan sante. **Your donation is critical in supporting the dedicated and trained Haitian staff who work tirelessly for their neighbors.** We appreciate all support, and especially welcome 3-year pledges to help us plan Konbit's future in Limonade. Will you help us to continue this vital work in Haiti?

If you have any questions, please contact any of the board members listed below. More information is available on our website www.konbitlasante.org, or www.facebook.com/konbitlasante. We also now have a LinkedIn account, so if you are on LinkedIn, please follow us there. www.linkedin.com/company/konbit-lasante-pou-limonade

On behalf of the Konbit Board and our Haitian partners, "Mesi Anpil". Thank you very much!

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