



## Heifer International

Heifer International is a global development organization on a mission to end hunger and poverty in a sustainable way. Working with farmers and their communities to identify and invest in business opportunities that deliver living incomes, Heifer International creates solutions to local challenges designed to build inclusive, resilient economies. Since launching in 1944, Heifer International has assisted more than 35 million people, with millions more now on a pathway to living incomes.



## Heifer Haiti

Heifer International launched its Haiti program in 1999 to implement sustainable and integrated crop and livestock projects. To date, Heifer Haiti has supported more than 685,000 families across the country, partnering with smallholder farmers, local government agencies and grassroots organizations. Activities including the construction of water storage tanks and value chain management training have contributed to the development of over 60 communities. Farmers working with Heifer Haiti are mitigating the impact of natural disasters with resources such as livestock, seeds and microcredit, and are also receiving technical assistance and guidance to improve animal health and regenerate the environment around their farms. Through improved agricultural production and income diversification, farmers are building sustainable livelihoods and increasing food security.



Using an integrated approach, Heifer Haiti implements projects that enable farmers to improve access to markets through enterprise development. Since Hurricane Matthew in 2016, Heifer Haiti has worked with farmers to rebuild and strengthen agricultural systems as they expand into value chains such as cereals, honey, poultry, goats and vetiver – a sought after product for high-end perfumes.



Coffee



Crops



Dairy



Grasses



Honey

Poultry



Rice



Swine



Small Ruminants





**Hurricane Matthew Recapitalization Program (OPAREV) (2018-2020)**

**Donors include:**  
**World Bank**

**Total Value:**  
**\$4.2 million**

This project plans to support 6,000 families in Grand Sud (Sud and Grand'Anse Departments), as part of a Hurricane Matthew response plan developed by the Ministry of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Rural Development and the World Bank. Heifer Haiti is distributing goat, poultry and beekeeping technical packages to help families rebuild their farms, replace lost equipment and restore their sources of income. The project is also providing follow-up support, with farmers receiving training covering animal feed, animal health and shelter construction to improve livestock farming practices.

**Integrated Water Resources Management (2019-2022)**

**Donors include: European Union (11th European Development Fund)**

**Total Value:**  
**\$1.2 million**

Heifer Haiti is working to increase the food security and resilience of 3,500 families threatened by climate change in the watersheds of Catinette, Denisse and Mous-tiques of M. Nicolas-Moustiques, through integrated water resource management and agroecology. The project's activities will increase agricultural production, focusing on livestock and processing cereals and cassava, while assisting communities with the development of emergency response plans for natural disasters. Improved water management will protect the soil, reduce erosion and help manage water conflicts. Heifer Haiti will collaborate with local authorities and institutions to ensure the sustainability of project activities, sharing lessons from field experiences that support the development of government policies related to food security.

**The Sweet Smell of Success: Improved Livelihoods for Vetiver Farmers (2017-2018)**

**Donors include:**  
**International Flavors & Fragrances**

**Total Value:**  
**\$439,000**

Heifer Haiti partnered with International Flavors & Fragrances, a globally marketed flavor and fragrance corporation, on this project to improve the livelihoods of 410 vetiver producers in the communities of Favette and Port-Salut. The producers diversified their incomes, introducing crops and livestock as additional sources of revenue, reducing their dependency on vetiver as a single source of income. Farmers received technical assistance on crop and livestock production, soil conservation and animal care. Veterinary officers received training to improve animal management and mobile veterinary clinics were deployed to treat farmers' animals at affordable prices. Women gained access to credit and capital through a savings and microcredit program.

**Rural Entrepreneurs for Agricultural Cooperation in Haiti (REACH) (2012-2017)**

**Total Value:**  
**\$9.3 million**

Implemented in North-West, North-East, South, Nippes, Grand-Anse and South-East, REACH supported 22,098 families to improve the competitiveness of their agricultural production. Farmers received resources and technical assistance to improve production. Over the course of the project, 762 local veterinary officers received training to support farmers with animal health services, reducing animal loss. A total of 134 full-time jobs were created through the construction of 38 goat production centers, with 1,359 women participating in a microcredit program that improved access to credit and the number of women owning livestock. Other developments in the community include the restoration of a lake, providing access to water for irrigation, fish production and domestic consumption.

**Scaling Up Haiti: Food Security and Social Transformation (2015-2018)**

**Donors include:**  
**W.K. Kellogg Foundation**

**Total Value:**  
**\$1.4 million**

A subproject of REACH, this project supported 3,365 families in Maniche and St. Louis du Sud. Designed to strengthen the economic resilience of vulnerable families, Scaling Up Haiti focused on diversifying crop and livestock production. Farmers received resources, training and technical assistance, enabling them to increase their incomes from coffee, rice and livestock value chains. The provision of goats, turkeys, poultry and coffee trees helped diversify incomes and improve food security. Through agricultural activities, 1,564 farmers increased their annual income from less than \$600 to at least \$1,500. Heifer Haiti also supported the construction of 4.52 km canal, providing irrigation to over 300 hectares for rice production, with harvests twice a year.