



Annual Report

2024 - 2025



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Letter from our Board Chair

From September 2024 to June 2025, Haiti experienced continuous political instability and a severe deterioration in security, which extremely affected the education system nationwide. These factors, combined with the degradation of public services, the rise of armed groups, and massive population displacement, exacerbated existing problems in the field of education.

Due to disruptions in operations and even closures of multiple schools, particularly in Port-au-Prince and Artibonite, thousands of students have dropped out of school, increasing their risk of recruitment by armed groups.

At the same time, the massive arrival of families, particularly children, into host departments is also destabilizing the local education system. Schools are receiving students who have lost part of the academic year, many of whom are suffering from the traumatic effects of their bad experiences. Therefore, it is necessary to adapt regional schools, not only to help these displaced students catch up, but also to support those schools in managing the psychological distress related to the violence they have been exposed to.

In this context of complex humanitarian crisis, PRODEV continues to implement its programs by adapting its strategies to new socio-political and security realities. PRODEV does not hesitate to launch new initiatives to meet the urgent needs of the most vulnerable children, who are particularly affected by this unprecedented crisis. PRODEV remains committed to providing concrete support to mitigate the impact on the education system and strengthen the resilience of affected communities.

Maryse Pénette-Kedar
Co-Founder & Board Chair



About PRODEV

Our Mission & Vision

PRODEV's mission is to provide quality and transformative education to children living in underserved communities.

PRODEV's vision is that one day, all citizens have access to education and are empowered to take an active role in building a just and democratic society in Haiti.

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Overview



This year, Fondation PRODEV celebrates 30 years of commitment to education, sustainable development, and the wellness of Haitian communities. Since its founding in 1995, PRODEV has worked tirelessly to provide quality education to children in disadvantaged neighborhoods, convinced that education is the key to build a better future for Haiti. Despite the difficulties faced during the 2024-2025 academic year, PRODEV continued to work tirelessly in five departments of the country (**West, South, Grand'Anse, North, Artibonite**), reaching more than **100 schools** and more than **55,000 students and community members**.

Academic enrichment is at the heart of PRODEV's mission. With more than **1,000 students** enrolled this year in our three (3) schools, the organization provides free, quality education to children in disadvantaged neighborhoods. Students benefit from an enriched learning environment, including music rooms, art classes, a computer room, and play areas. In addition, each child receives a healthy daily meal, drinking water, and access to medical and psychological services, ensuring their overall well-being.

Teacher training is essential to ensure quality education. PRODEV has provided training to approximately **700 teachers** on safeguarding, psychological first aid, child protection, and social-emotional learning, promoting child-centered pedagogy adapted to the current crisis. Security is also an essential factor in the proper functioning of schools; thus, to ensure a climate of peace and security, more than **150 police officers and community education officers** have received training sessions to better assist schools. Through a community-based educational approach, PRODEV has set up more than **80 learning groups** helping more than **2,000 students**, over 50% of whom are girls, to continue learning during times of crisis, even when schools are closed due to strikes or social unrest. Furthermore, aware of the role of parents and community influence on children's education, PRODEV has also organized awareness campaigns in communities on practices that promote good education.

Skills building and livelihoods are also a priority for PRODEV. More than **200 young people** have benefited from vocational training and more than **3,000 grade-schoolers** have been introduced to agricultural practices, learning how to prepare different types of gardens. These initiatives contribute tangibly to community empowerment, the promotion of agriculture, and the fight against juvenile delinquency.

The health and wellness of communities are central to PRODEV's concerns. In addition to providing psychosocial support to children, PRODEV has also set up health programs that have enabled more than **2,000 children** and pregnant women to benefit from medical services, ensuring the physical and mental well-being of these vulnerable communities.

Working closely with the Ministry of Education and Vocational Training (MENFP), PRODEV's interventions have touched on several aspects of education in Haiti, thereby helping to strengthen the Haitian education system. In this report, you will find a brief presentation of the achievements of the various projects carried out by PRODEV during the 2024-2025 academic year.

PRODEV Intervention Areas



ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

École Jean-Baptiste Pointe du Sable (EJPBS)

Artibonite Department



As part of a partnership with the Hand In Hand Foundation, PRODEV has been managing the Jean-Baptiste Pointe du Sable School, located in the district of Saint Marc, since 2021. Enrolling 250 students, including 143 girls and 107 boys, this school is a relief for parents in the Saint Marc community, as the students' education is funded, which significantly reduces the financial burden on families.

Aware of the deteriorating security situation in the Artibonite department, which can affect parents' commitment, the EJPBS teaching staff has organized parental engagement sessions aimed at guiding parents on best practices for educational monitoring at home. It has also conducted motivational interviews and set up remedial activities for students in difficulty.

During the 2024-2025 academic year, EJBPS achieved notable accomplishments that made the institution a benchmark school in the commune of Saint-Marc. Indeed, in 2024, the EJPBS won a reading competition organized by the Vive Haïti Livre organization, and in 2025, the school won a puzzle competition organized by Nisa Club as part of the Mosaïque festival, a competition EJBPS won for the second time.



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École Nouvelle Royal Caribbean (ENRC)

North Department



During the 2024-2025 academic year, ENRC served 353 students, including 190 girls and 163 boys, from the communities of Labadie, Cormier, and Fort-Bourgeois.

ENRC's methodology is designed to contribute to the child's overall development, making student social life an integral part of education. Among the many extracurricular activities organized during this academic year, students visited Place Vertières, a rice field, and an amusement park. This initiative not only helps them better understand their country's history but also broadens their cultural horizons.

In addition, training sessions were organized for parents on children's wellness, enabling them to establish better relationships and connections with their children. "Thanks to this training, I discovered that my child had vision problems, whereas before I used to punish him, thinking that he was deliberately refusing to write," explains Ketnaëlle Célicourt, a parent.



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École Nouvelle Zoranje (ENZ)

West Department



PRODEV promotes sustainable development in Haiti based on quality education. For more than a decade, the organization has been leading numerous initiatives to facilitate access to school, notably through the creation of the École Nouvelle Zoranje (ENZ), which offers children from the communities of Zoranje, located on the vicinity of Cité-Soleil, the opportunity to benefit from quality education.

Despite the chaotic security situation in Haiti, particularly around Zoranje, the administrative staff, faculty, and support staff have mobilized to ensure the continuity of classes for the 421 students (221 girls, 200 boys) enrolled at ENZ this year, aware that education remains the key to sustainable development.

In addition to regular academic activities, we organized a series of extracurricular activities during the year, including: planting seedlings on Agriculture Day; and an interclass competition promoting excellence among students.

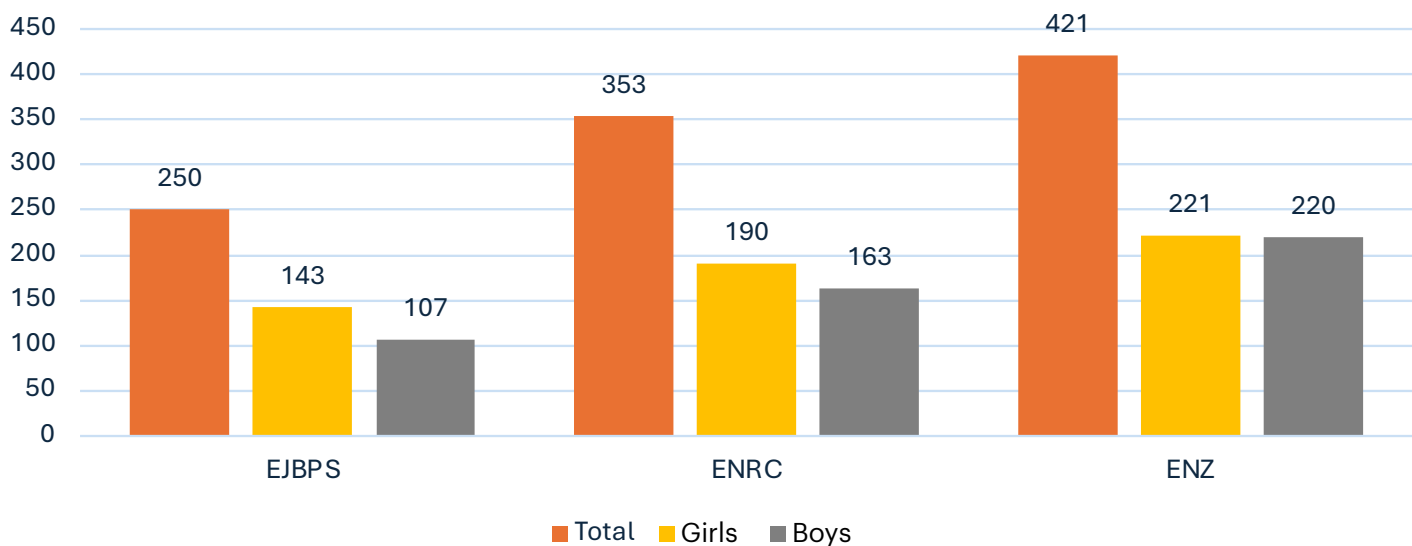
This year, we experienced an increase in enrollment requests of new students due to new families seeking refuge in the area and because it can be risky for children from the community to travel to distant schools.

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School Enrollment 2024-2025



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💰 : FOKAL

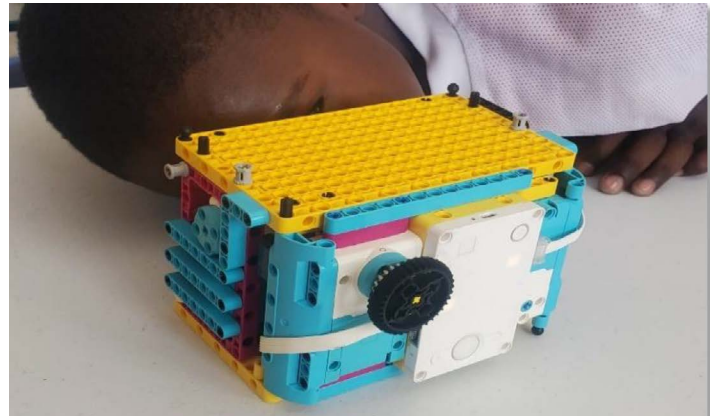
🕒 : January 2023 – December 2024

📍 : West

Thanks to this project, 35 sixth-grade students at École Nouvelle Zoranje, located in the municipality of Croix-des-Bouquets, were introduced to computer programming. They learned how to create sequences of instructions, called “code,” that allow a computer or computer system to perform specific tasks.

This initiative allowed the children to discover the basics of coding and robotics. They learned how to program robots to perform various fun and useful tasks. This process also helped them to develop problem-solving skills, a major asset for their academic career and future life.

Although the project directly targeted 35 students, all 421 students at the school benefited from it. With a computer room equipped with high-performance computers and the installation of a new internet system, made possible by the project’s financial support, the use of IT within the school has reached a new milestone.



Lekòl Katye

- 💰 : ECHO HIP 2024; European Union Humanitarian Aid; Save the Children
- 🕒 : June 2024 - June 2026
- 📍 : South, Grand'Anse
- 💰 : Dutch Relief, Save The Children
- 🕒 : May 2024 - October 2024
- 📍 : West
- 💰 : Expertise France - Avni nou
- 🕒 : September 2024 - June 2025
- 📍 : West
- 💰 : Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- 🕒 : January - June 2025
- 📍 : West

The prolonged closure of schools has resulted in a significant loss of school days, depriving students of teaching hours, extracurricular activities, and support services.

Through the Lekòl Katye project, PRODEV has provided targeted academic support to children in vulnerable neighborhoods most affected by the crisis, enabling them to catch up on their schooling. In collaboration with various partners, 84 learning groups have been set up in the communities targeted by the program. A snack is provided to students at each session, ensuring good physical conditions for learning.

In addition to remedial classes, socio-emotional extracurricular activities such as summer camps, open houses, and sports activities were organized to strengthen their resilience and stimulate their creativity.

To ensure effective and appropriate support for teachers, training sessions were organized for 102 teachers to strengthen their skills in psychological first aid and social-emotional learning. Among other activities, PRODEV distributed teaching materials to schools and kits to teachers and students to facilitate teaching activities.

According to the administrator of Ecole Nationale d'Antoine Simon de Citadelle, this new "LEKÒL KATYE" approach provides a solution to the "Pays lock" for children in the area, as through this program, students benefit from classes even when schools are closed due to social unrest.



Jaden Lekòl

💰 : Jewish Distribution Committee (JDC)

📅 : June 2022 - April 2024

📍 : South



The Jaden Lekòl project, carried out over a period of 22 months, enabled 2,250 students to learn about the principles of agriculture, combining theoretical learning with practical work. The students, trained in soil preparation and nursery establishment, received agricultural tools and seeds, and were involved in all stages of the project: from nursery creation to transplanting, weeding, and harvesting.

By learning to grow different types of vegetables, the students also helped improve their families' nutrition. The crops from the school gardens were consumed in the homes, introducing a greater variety of foods and thus providing a concrete response to the problem of malnutrition.



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Edikasyon pou Viv Ansanm

💰 : Save the Children – INTPA/European Union

🕒 : November 2024 – October 2026

📍 : South, Grand'Anse

The project Edikasyon pou Viv Ansanm is part of the response to the earthquake that struck the Greater South, destroying 1,250 schools and exacerbating the challenges of an already fragile education system.

To strengthen the school community, community education supervisors (ECPs) were recruited to provide local support to the eight (8) partner schools involved in the project through weekly meetings. A total of 80 teachers and school administrators were trained in safety and psychological first aid, benefiting 998 students, including 432 girls and 566 boys.

Participating schools benefited from the establishment and revitalization of participatory structures, notably through the creation of school councils. In addition to working directly with educational staff, awareness-raising activities were carried out with parents and community leaders in the target communities to promote good practices in child education.



TEACHER TRAINING

PAPDEF

💰 : IDB / MENFP

🕒 : January 2024 - June 2026

📍 : West, North

PRODEV prioritizes supporting educational authorities and stakeholders in the education sector in order to contribute to better regulation of the Haitian school system.

In this perspective, PRODEV supports the Ministry of National Education and Vocational Training (MENFP) through the implementation of the Ten-Year Education and Training Support Project (PAPDEF). Implemented in 21 communes in the North and West departments, this project benefits more than 10,000 students. It is based on the Quality Assurance System (SAQ) methodology, which aims to help schools, whether public or private, improving the quality of their educational environment in five key areas:

- ✓ School Administrator leadership
- ✓ Pedagogical management
- ✓ Administrative management
- ✓ Community participation
- ✓ School friendliness



To achieve the objectives set, various activities are carried out with teachers and school administrators, including: the promotion of active teaching methods, the use of a single textbook, fiduciary management, local management, learning assessment, the redistribution of textbooks, and the training and distribution of hybrid materials.

A major factor in the success of this project is the satisfaction expressed by teachers and school administrators, particularly regarding the quality of the training provided and the relevance of the content covered.

SKILLS BUILDING AND LIVELIHOODS

Lourie Community Center



Created by PRODEV in 2010, the Lourie Community Center, equipped with a computer lab, helps young people in the community to learn how to use various software programs.

The center also has spaces for cultural, educational, and community activities, offering socio-educational support to young people in the Zoranche area, particularly in the Village la Renaissance.

Despite security challenges, PRODEV staff have carried out several projects to reduce juvenile delinquency through cultural activities and vocational training, including:

Yon Metye, Yon Chimen: Training of 50 young people in office computing, cooking, and cosmetology

Impacté: Training of 60 young technicians in computer repair.

Dynsatie dance: Participation of 40 young people in Latin dance workshops, with demonstrations, choreography creation, and monthly evaluations.

Yon metye, yon chimen (2): Training of 80 young people in office IT, communication (French and English), computer repair, screen printing, and drawing.

Chanjman Bèl N ap Fè l (CBNF)

💰 : OAS/Canada
 🕒 : February 25 - July 2025
 📍 : West

This project has provided young people in the Renaissance Village with professional skills that can generate income, discouraging them from turning to banditry.

As part of this initiative, 40 young people have received training in sewing and entrepreneurship. This initiative is one of a series of actions by PRODEV aimed at supporting young people in this vulnerable neighborhood. It follows on from the Ann Chanje Wout project, which enabled 42 young sewing graduates to showcase their talent at a fashion show at the Karibe Convention Center.

This training illustrates the young people's desire to learn a trade in order to build a professional life. Their determination is a tangible demonstration of their refusal to turn to crime.

"Sewing has allowed me to discover many things that I didn't understand before: I can trace a basic skirt, women's pants, or a blouse from start to finish. It has also made me realize the importance of the people around me. Today, I can help other young people myself, thanks to sewing." *Voltius Fedler*



"This project means a lot to me. It's not easy to get an opportunity like this for free. Who would have thought I would see myself on a sewing machine? Thanks to the project, I know how to sew." *Jean Louis Poushnider*

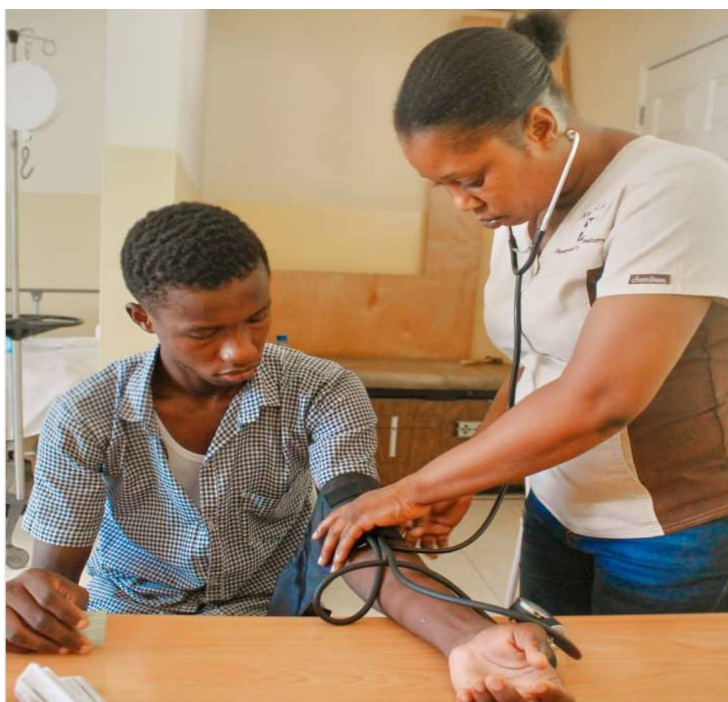
HEALTH & WELLNESS

HEALTH PROJECT

💰 : Jewish Distribution Committee (JDC)

🕒 : November 2022 - September 2024

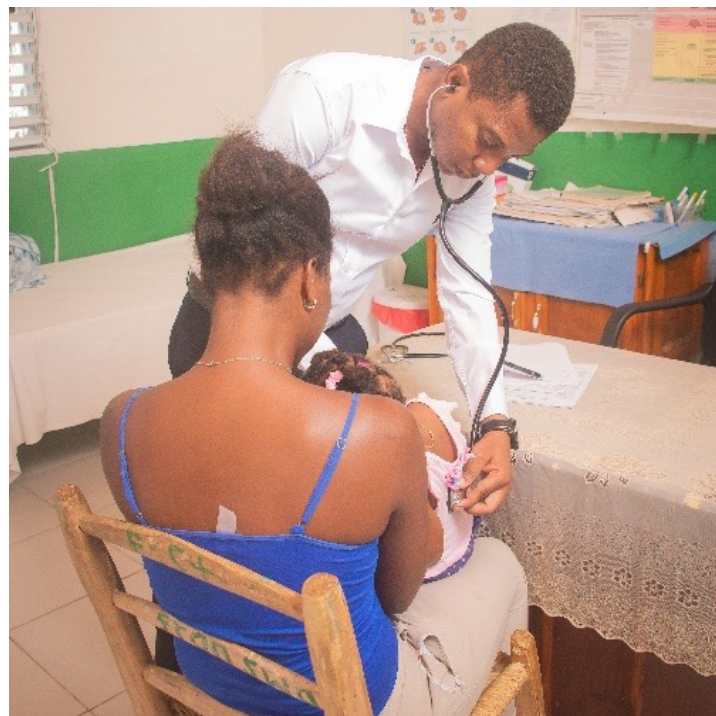
📍 : West, South, Grand'Anse



The situation in the Great South has worsened since November 2023 with the progression of the armed gangs in Mariani, leading to an increase in the number of families displaced towards the Great South. It is clear that as the number of people in a region increases, so do healthcare needs.

To support the Ministry of Health in responding to this crisis, PRODEV has provided assistance to seven (7) health centers and hospitals in the South and Grand'Anse regions to strengthen their capacity to meet the growing needs of the population. Thanks to this support, 418 pregnant women and 1,652 children have been able to receive free medical consultations, laboratory tests, and medication at these facilities.

As part of this project, PRODEV also set up a health center in the village of La Renaissance. This center provides health services to the entire community, including students from the École Nouvelle Zoranjé and the École Nationale Zoranjé. In addition to health services, these students also benefited from health education sessions on nutrition, hygiene, physical activity, and the prevention of common diseases.



EDUPOL

- 💰 : UNICEF and the Government of Japan
- 📅 : August 2024 – January 2025 with a no-cost extension to July 31, 2025
- 📍 : West



This project has strengthened the capacity of the Community Education Police (PCE) through training aimed at better supporting people traumatized by armed groups.

These police officers were trained to assist 100 schools enrolling more than 44,000 students in the areas affected by violence, with the mission of acting as facilitators of extracurricular activities and guarantors of a safe environment conducive to the smooth running of classes. Their presence embodies hope and contributes to promoting peace and security.

Key project achievements

- ✓ Training of 135 PNH police officers in psychosocial support;
- Training of 42 Community Education Police officers to provide psychosocial support sessions to students;

- ✓ Distribution of recreational kits to 85 schools, including balls, board games, a volleyball net, a metal storage box, and other items.



Allo-Lekòl

💰 : Save the Children; Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (NMFA)

🕒 : July 2023 - August 2025

📍 : South, Grand'Anse

The project "Strengthening the resilience of children and their parents to the risks of disasters and climate change" (Allo Lekòl) supports 12 schools in the South and Grand'Anse departments.

In each beneficiary school, participatory structures have been set up to improve the management of academic activities. A total of 200 teachers and educational staff members have received training in psychological first aid, child protection, and social-emotional learning. Overall, the project has reached more than 24,000 people through awareness campaigns highlighting the need to protect the environment to reduce disaster risks.

A significant achievement of the project was the creation of 12 school gardens, with students participating in all stages of preparation, growing cabbages, tomatoes, peppers, and spinach. The harvested produce was used in school canteens, and some children took vegetables home, which helped to boost their self-esteem.



Protection and wellness of children in Jérémie

💰 : Plan International, OCHA

🕒 : March 2025 – January 2026

📍 : Jérémie – Grand'Anse

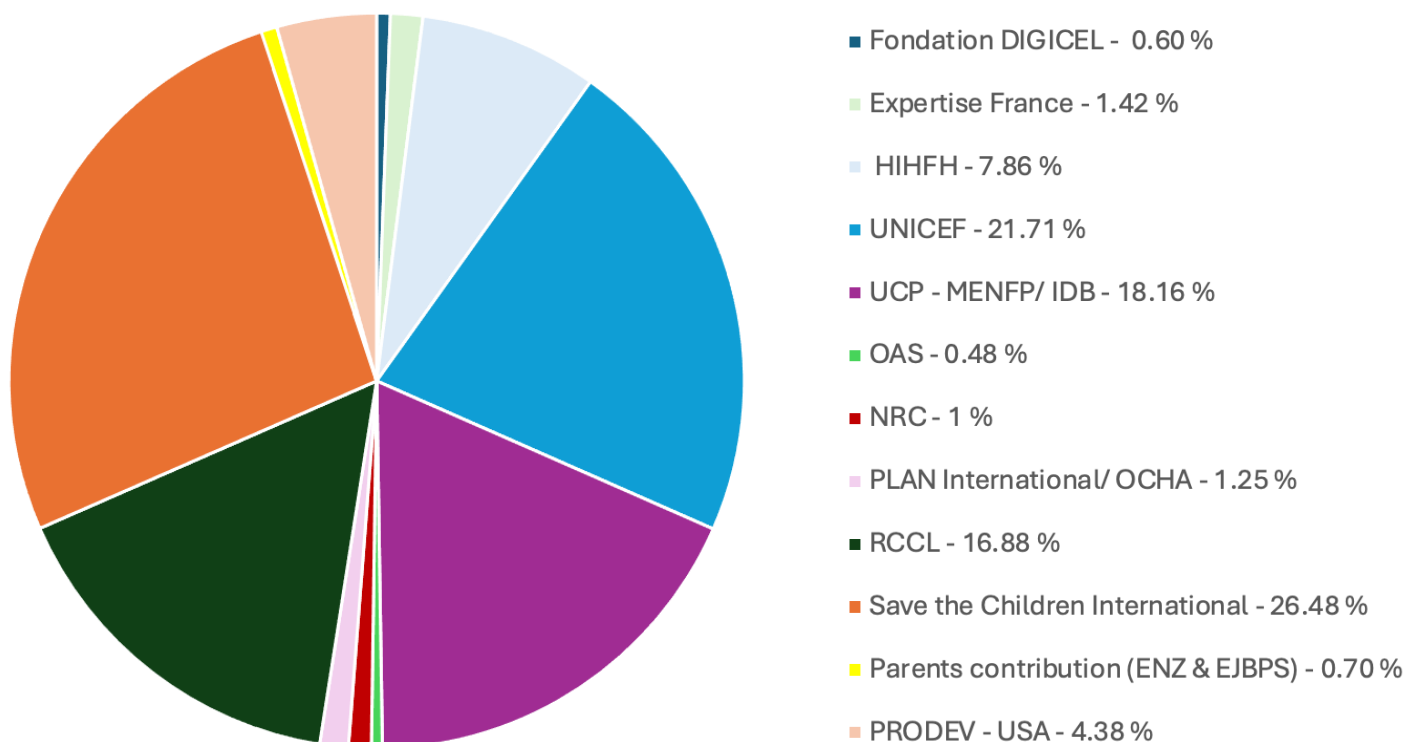
Launched in March 2025, this project aims to strengthen the protection and wellness of girls and boys in Jérémie by promoting an inclusive,

safe, and resilient educational environment conducive to social cohesion.

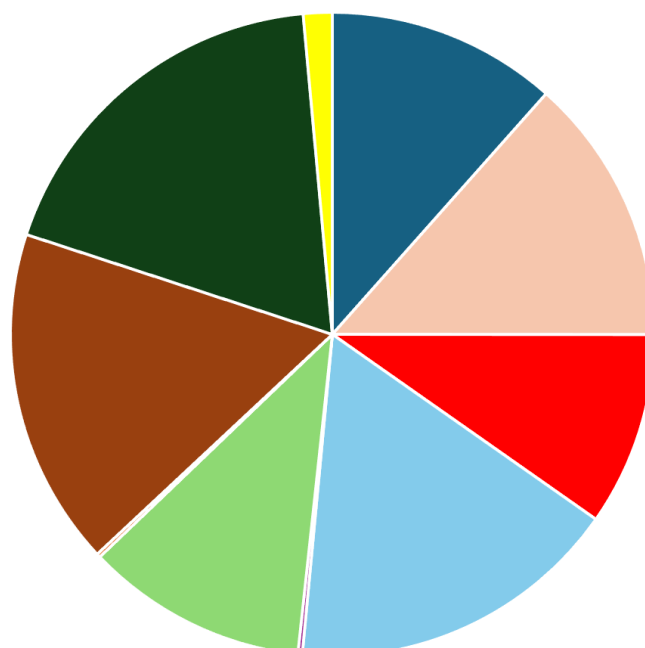
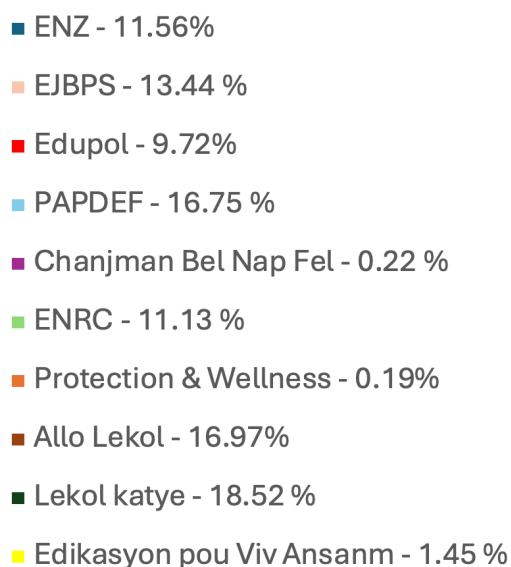
Access to education in the Grand'Anse department remains limited. This situation is compounded by the arrival of many displaced families. Through an education-focused approach, PRODEV aims to meet the humanitarian needs of displaced children by providing local support in the project's partner schools.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

Income - Donors



Expenses - Projects



PRODEV - USA



PRODEV understands that the Haitian diaspora is a major asset for Haiti's development, a resource capable of significantly impacting all aspects of life in Haiti, particularly education.

In order to encourage a greater involvement of the Haitian diaspora in PRODEV initiatives, several activities were organized in Miami for the development of PRODEV USA. In November 2024, a webinar was held on a comparative analysis of the Haitian and American education systems, and a five-day fundraising called "Give Miami Day" was held to benefit the Ecole Nouvelle Zoranje.



Conclusion



The celebration of PRODEV's 30th anniversary, founded in 1995 by Max Pénette, is an opportunity to highlight and appreciate the achievements of the organization, which remains faithful to its mission of promoting quality education as a lever for social equality.

To mark Fondation PRODEV's 30th anniversary, a commemorative gala was held on March 28, 2025, in Miami, bringing together the Haitian diaspora around the chair of the board of directors, Maryse Pénette-Kedar. In a stirring speech, she reaffirmed education as an essential path to a better Haiti. The event, marked by warmth and cultural pride, allowed to raise funds for the École Nouvelle Zoranje.

This celebration testifies the positive impact of the organization, which remains committed and continues to take concrete action to fulfill its mission and help make its vision a reality in Haiti.

On behalf of PRODEV, I would like to express our deep gratitude to our partners, the members of the Board of Directors, all of our employees, as well as the Ministry of Education, and certainly our friends and supporters who believe in our actions.

Thank you for your unwavering support and generous commitment to the future of Haiti's children, you are the true pillars of our educational mission. Counting on your continuous support, PRODEV is more firmly committed to continuing this fight for another 30 years, with even greater impact, rigor, and transparency.

We are committed to transforming every investment into concrete, sustainable results that bring hope. Together, we are writing a new chapter of success for education in Haiti.



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