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Tent at Canaan II



Inside the tent



Kitchen in tent



When it rains, this cavern fills up and floods the camp



Canaan II



Single family home we wish to build (panel system, unfinished)

March 27, 2011

Re: **“Helping Haiti” Fundraiser: “15 months after”**

15 Months after...

At Canaan II and other camps throughout Haiti, the camp residents still reside in their tents or make shift tents, still living in darkness with little food and limited clean water, no money to send their children to school outside of the camp, still getting wet when it rains, tired of living like animals with little or no hope that things will change anytime soon. It is believed that many at Canaan II are squatters, having homes outside of the camp and are looking for whatever they can get free. In some cases this is true. The program “Helping Haiti” will be screening during the interview process therefore those individuals will be ineligible for the program. “Helping Haiti” has applicants in various camps throughout Port-au-Prince and other vicinities. For them, little has changed since the earthquake. Approximately, 250,000 lives were lost in the earthquake. During the hurricane in September, approximately 30 lives were lost. Deaths due to cholera approximate 3,500 thus far with some experts predicting approximately 11,000 more deaths. How many deaths will it take to expedite and facilitate land and other issues that circumvent moving quickly so that those displaced and/or are living in unsafe conditions can be moved to permanent homes?

How you can help

Many of you may have contributed previously to the Haiti disaster relief efforts. I have as well having maxed out every credit card depleted my savings and recently withdrew funds from my 401k in order to retain limited staff to process applicant program applications and to continue limited programming. JLL Miller Foundation, as well as myself (President/Haiti Program Administrator) have committed a minimum of (next) five years to the Haiti disaster efforts. We are truly fortunate to have found land for the project. The Haitian landowner welcomes the opportunity to assist due to the perceived opportunity for his people. He has very generously offered us “free” office space and is willing to allow us to build on a section of the land prior to paying for said land...just so we can get started! We need funding, so that we can begin building our permanent homes IMMEDIATELY for the Haitian people who have waited too long. PLEASE HELP US HELP THEM!

We are requesting that each individual contacted donate “generously” so that sufficient funds can be raised to allow us to fully implement this program that will change so many lives. Payments can be made via PayPal on our website: www.jllmillerfoundation.org, Helping Haiti or checks can be mailed to our US address; please follow up with an e-mail to: president@jllmillerfoundation.org with appropriate identifying information and check amount.

April 12, 2011, is the 15th month anniversary of the earthquake. Therefore, with your help, on April 12, we hope to make an announcement to our Haitian applicants and prospective Haitian employees that we will be building immediately upon obtaining building staff and can finally conduct applicant interviews for housing and programming.

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Who we are: JLL Miller Foundation is a NGO based out of Washington, DC. We have been in Haiti since April assisting with the disaster relief efforts. Our program "Helping Haiti" will help the displaced victims of the earthquake. Programming and administrative staff will consist primarily of Haitians or those of Haitian descent. We are also in the process of obtaining registration in Haiti; the additional documents requested will be submitted this week. Our overhead percentage is only 2% of expenses and approximately 1/3 of that will revert back to the program to build additional homes and to set up funds for scholarships, the elderly/disabled and children without parents. Approximately 86% of the budget is designated for construction/construction related.

The Program: Helping Haiti

Our five year projected budget is \$230,000,000 US. In the main community (Croix-des-Bouquets), we will build approximately 10,800 permanent homes for approximately 75,600 individuals. In the smaller communities of Jacmel, Petit Goave, Cite Soleil and Arcahaie and the mountains nearby, we will build a total of approximately 434 homes for approximately 3,038 individuals. The homes will be multistory buildings, having four stories, 12 units on each floor. Single family homes will be built in the mountains. Each home will have a bathroom, kitchen, living room and bedroom(s). The kitchen is equipped with a refrigerator and stove. The homes will utilize solar energy.

Other facilities to be built include schools, community centers with computer annexes (1-2 will have movie projectors for educational and entertainment purposes), vocational/training centers and a clinic with a rehabilitation unit for those who lost limbs during the earthquake; a clinic will also be built near the mountains in Arcahaie to enable the residents thereof to have access to health care.

There will be a multitude of academic, vocational and life skill classes for the applicants so as to increase their opportunities for employment and enhance the quality of their lives. Approximately, 4,000 jobs will be created; some of them permanent. Applicants who are accepted into the program will have personalized action plans that consist of "program goals" such as completing their academic education, obtaining some type of vocational skill and attending life skill classes such as money management, budgeting, home ownership responsibilities, nutrition, safe sex practices, HIV awareness, etc.; in addition, we will have group and individual counseling sessions so that the mental anguish and loss of family members and friends can finally be dealt with.

There are rules to be followed in the community. These rules are to be followed by the applicant and members of the household who apply to the program and thereafter. These rules are established to maintain order in the community and to create a safe and clean environment for all families. Applicants who commit to following the rules of the community and are willing to work diligently on their program goals will be offered the opportunity to purchase their homes. Said purchase monies will be utilized to build additional homes and/or create businesses to ensure future sustainable employment. A monthly community fee will be assessed to cover the costs of running and maintaining the community and the various programs which will be for the most part free; this includes schools for the children. Since the program will be paying the costs of the programs and maintenance of the community for five years, the community will have substantial reserves thereby ensuring their ability to be totally self supporting.

Additional Donation Information:

1. **All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law!**
2. We will list all donations received on our website therefore please ensure that the your name as well as relevant contact information is included with your donation; in addition, a plaque or some other type of recognition of all donations received will be placed in our community. We will advise and send photographs of such.
3. The actual fundraiser will be the two weeks beginning March 29 through April 12. We would appreciate "commitment letters" being sent for your donation as soon as possible so that we can make arrangements with our California builder to place the order for the initial thermal building panels to be shipped.
4. All donations received will be listed on our financial statements. This will be updated weekly until all donations have been recorded. Thereafter, financial information will be updated monthly. Although this is a 5 year program, we intend on building continuously until all applicants are housed. Therefore, if the construction/construction related funding is available, we intend on building ALL homes within the next 18 months. Please feel free to e-mail or call us if you do not see your donation and/or if you have any questions.

Additional Information: Program information including the program budget can be forwarded upon request.

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