

The Marco Depestre Foundation of Ottawa

6139 Red Willow Drive Orleans, Ontario Canada K1C 7J7 613-830-4714

marcode pest refoundation of ottawa@rogers.com

www.marcodepestrefoundationofottawa.org

Bulletin 14
January 2025

Though another troubling year for our brethren in Haiti, the Foundation was able to carry out its activities, thanks to your generosity and the dedication of the Foundation's courageous staff and volunteers in Haiti. We wish you a blessed and happy new year.

The following are highlights of our achievements in 2024 Child Sponsorship

There are 48 sponsored children.
The Monitor and her assistant
held meetings in 2 locations with
sponsorees and their guardians.
In addition to reviewing the Child
Sponsorship Rules, hygiene kits
were distributed. Six sponsorees
obtained the Government study
certificate.



Group 1 – Sponsorees and guardians with Julia on August 23, 2024



Group 2 – Sponsorees and guardians with Julia and Sagine on August 24, 2024

School Supplies

The distribution of school supplies was delayed for security reasons. Eventually over 800 grateful students from preschool to High School received notebooks, pens, pencils and geometry sets.



École Communale de PV student with Julia on October 9, 2024



École Etzer Vilaire students with their school supplies on October 9, 2024

Nutrition Supplement

Food is expensive and shortages are rampant. Eight grateful families receive monthly vouchers and 12 sponsorees in Laboule 12 benefit from dry goods kits.



Israël Noël at the cash, September 7, 2024

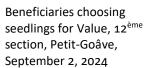


Mrs. Charles thankful for her provisions May 23, 2024

Agroforestry in Vialet Nursery

Three distributions of seedlings took place in 2024. A total of 1,750 coffee, mango and cedar seedlings were distributed to midwives and to an organization of small farmers.







Members of KODESPA loading coffee plants on motorcycles on November 12, 2024

Youth Development Project

Four youth are currently part of the program, studying Computer Science, Agronomy, Logistics and Entrepreneurship.



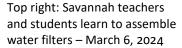
Jayby Nicolas 2nd year Agronomy student June 2024



Ralph Beauchamps Second year Computer Science student August 23, 2024

Humanitarian Aid

Savannah School received five water filters. 200 families in Laboule 12 received dry good kits. An elderly lady was provided with necessary medications and food.



Bottom right: Laboule 12 – A mother with baby helps herself with pack of Dry goods with Julia standing by – April 20, 2024





Les Messagers de Laboule 12

The youth group continued weekly meetings, preparing foods, and rehearsing songs and skits based on the Bible. When it is safe to do so, the group does presentations at church.



Les Messagers in the church before their presentation December 22, 2024



Les Messagers mixing cake batter November 9, 2024

Christmas Appeal 2024

Julia Depestre and her team of volunteers brought Christmas cheer to some 700 people in 5 locations. Depending on the locale, food kits, a meal or snacks and beverages were provided and, in some cases, toys and hygiene kits.



Sunday School Methodist Church of P-A-P. Children enjoying the meal December 22, 2024



Savannah – Distribution of Dry goods kits December 22, 2024

With the start of a new year comes renewed hope that the Foundation will continue to make a difference in the lives of the people whom it touches, through your continued support and goodwill.