



The  
**Haiti Micah**  
Project

# Highlights

*Investing in Children and Adolescents in Haiti*

June 2013

**Organization:**

Haiti Micah Project  
501(c)(3) organization  
established in 2005  
CFC # 86354

**Project:**

Haiti Micah Project  
A Residential Home for  
Street Children and  
Vulnerable Children

**Location:**

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## HMP has a New Partner in our Fight Against Hunger!

On a daily basis, the Feeding Program of the Haiti Micah Project (HMP) provides a nutritious meal to over 400 children. For many of these children, that meal will be the only food they may receive that day. For others, it augments their otherwise

meager diet. It is hard to overstate the importance of these meals to the children in terms of their health and how that affects their education and general well-being. A hungry child cannot learn or otherwise enjoy and benefit from childhood.

The Feeding Program is paid for through the Sponsor a Child program and from general donations to the HMP. Every three months, funds are wired to our Haitian partners in Mirebalais, Les Enfants de Sion, who in turn acquire the food and pay the staff of cooks and helpers. The Feeding Program is one of the more expensive components of the HMP ministries, and these costs are increasing with the continued rise in the price of rice, beans, and cooking oil. Yet, despite the costs, the Feeding Program remains the essential foundation of our many services to the poor.

This year, the HMP has partnered with Samaritan's Purse, a Christian organization headquartered in Boone, North Carolina, which takes its name and mission from Christ's parable of the Good Samaritan in Luke 10. "Go and do likewise", Christ commanded. Taking up this admonition, Samaritan's Purse is internationally known and regarded for its work helping the poor and those in need in crisis areas throughout the world. It has an extensive presence in Haiti where, among other things, it helps distribute food aid made available by the U.S. Government.

In February, Samaritan's Purse delivered to the HMP in Mirebalais quantities of food which will greatly assist the Feeding Program. Included in the delivery were 10,000 lbs of rice, 8250 lbs of corn meal, 110 lbs of sugar, and 22 gallons of cooking



oil. This initial delivery should serve the Feeding Program for several months. "We are extremely grateful to Samaritan's Purse for their willingness to partner with the Haiti Micah Project" said Fr. Joseph Constant. "This food assistance will better enable us to serve the street children of Mirebalais, and comes at a particularly crucial time when our ministries are facing rising costs."



## Upcoming Events



**June 8**-Get your running shoes on! Fast Trak Racing (<http://www.fasttrakracing.com/>) has made Haiti Micah Project one of their partners. When you sign up for a race, you can designate HMP and a portion of your entry fee goes directly to our programs in Mirebalais. So walk or run in Fort Hunt Park at 9AM, Saturday June 8. Let's get the word out!

## Great News!

The Haiti Micah Project has recently been approved by the Local Federal Coordinating Committee (LFCC) of the Potomac Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) as a local independent charity for the 2013 campaign. Look for CFC number #86354. If you have any questions about donating, please contact us. Thank you for your service to our country and your support for the children of Haiti.

## Fundraising from our Friends!

Urban Evolution's Malikah and Salil Maniktahla presenting the check from their two parkour events for HMP in April to Nancy Lorentz. Urban Evolution is Virginia's only parkour and freerunning gym, located in Alexandria.



Kettyna, age 5

## Be Part of the Solution—Sponsor a Child

The Sponsor a Child program provides a child who lives in abject poverty the opportunity for food, water, clothing, and education. Many of our children come from the Azile, a filthy facility where the poorest of the poor reside in Mirebalais. When others say that charity has not done much for Haiti, we know that Haiti Micah Project and the sponsorship program is a recovery program for each of the children. The Sponsorship program is a personal commitment that offers safety, security, and hope for each child's future. Join the other 250 sponsors so that you, too, can make a difference in a child's life. Please go to our website and click "How You Can Help."

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