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Mission:
Hope for Haiti’s mission is to improve the quality of life for the Haitian people, particularly children, through education, nutrition, and healthcare.

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1. What are we aiming to accomplish?
Through Hope for Haiti’s partnerships, the organization aims to create sustainable solutions to fighting poverty in Haiti.

2. What are our strategies for making this happen?
Hope for Haiti is working in long-term partnerships with local communities to initiate sustainable development. With the school at the center of the community, Hope for Haiti designs, implements, monitors, and evaluates initiatives in response to identified needs. With five key areas of its community development approach, Hope for Haiti works in Education, Nutrition & Healthcare, Clean Water, Infrastructure and Economy. To increase the sustainability of our school-based program, Hope for Haiti has partnered with Yunus Social Business Haiti S.A. This partnership has already provided micro-credit to local residents, facilitated community dialogue, and trained local leaders on finance and administration. Over the long-term, we aim to promote and develop social business in Southern Haiti – a replicable model to solve problems created by poverty and increase a community’s capacity to generate income.

3. What are our organization’s capabilities for doing this?
Hope for Haiti has been operating solely in Haiti for 25 years. With a board of directors committed to good governance and fiscal responsibility, the organization maintains a low overhead (less than 5%) and ensures that over 95 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to our programs on the ground. In addition, our organization has built up a strong dedicated team of over forty professionals working in Haiti and seven in the United States to create transformational change for the next generation.

4. How will we know if we're making progress?
Some of the short-term indicators of progress are more visible than others. When a malnourished child who is skin and bones and nursed back to health over an intensive 6-month period, this is tangible progress that is inspiring. Lives that are saved or quality of lives improved each and every day through our healthcare programs are easier to see and measure. Providing access to clean water or electricity in communities where it currently doesn’t exist provides immediate positive results. Hope for Haiti has multiple examples of these measurable and very tangible outputs of progress throughout all of our program areas. All of these indicators and outputs are tracked by Hope for Haiti’s staff and they are incredibly important. More challenging as with any poverty alleviation work, but equally as important, is measuring long-term progress and transformational change for a family and/or community. In 2011, Hope for Haiti began implementing the Progress out of Poverty Index™ (PPI) survey in two rural communities. This tool allowed us to establish a baseline of the poverty level. In community 1, the poverty level was quantified at 69% of households living below $1 USD per day. In community 2, the poverty level was estimated at 65%. The national average in Haiti is estimated at 56%. Using measurement tools such as the PPI helps Hope for Haiti determine its impact on the communities it serves over time. Hope for Haiti also encourages communities to perform self-evaluations of success and impact. Many of these qualitative tools are some of the most important indicators for the organization to measure true program success from hearing the feedback directly from our beneficiaries.

5. What have and haven't we accomplished so far?
In 2013, we completed a second survey to measure progress over time. In community 2, there has been a 5% drop in
poverty. In community 1, there has been a 10% reduction in households living in extreme poverty. By committing to long-term, sustainable development in partnership with these communities, Hope for Haiti is committed to achieving results towards our vision of eliminating extreme poverty. Hope for Haiti continues to be limited by resources and donor commitments. Hope for Haiti can only focus on long-term measurements of progress when multi-year funding can accompany the program. Hope for Haiti encourages donors at all levels to make long-term commitments (5 year increments) to programs so that short and long-term indicators can be tracked and strategic development planning can take place to make each philanthropic investment the most impactful. This type of commitment by the donor, Hope for Haiti, and the program beneficiaries, has proven successful to provide the greatest results in providing lasting solutions. As the organization continues to grow, Hope for Haiti is dedicated to focusing on short and long-term solutions to improving lives and making a lasting impact.