



Project Pierre Toussaint was started in 1997. It is located in Cap Haitien, the second largest city in Haiti, and is the only program of its kind in the region.

Project Pierre Toussaint serves a unique and growing population – homeless boys, street children in fact, whose parents are either deceased or cannot adequately care for them – all victims of Haiti’s political and economic devastation. The boys typically range in age from 8 - 16 years old.

The program has three-tiers that serve 100-125 boys on a regular basis and includes formal education, vocational training, life skills coaching, sports and recreation, spirituality, and psychological counseling. The day program, 13th Street, is in center-city Cap Haitien with morning and afternoon sessions (tiers 1 & 2). The residential program (tier 3), The Village, is in an outlying district and accommodates 24 boys who reside in the village and another 24 who participate in the Village Program.

All three tiers of the Project Pierre Toussaint program effectively offer healthy and life changing alternatives to boys who would otherwise be left to the street to exist hand-to-mouth and face formidable obstacles throughout their adolescent, teenage, and adult years. Project Pierre Toussaint is a program that provides solutions for these youth.

Through participation in the program, they can move themselves out of the economic, physical, and emotional impoverishment that is so commonly a life-long struggle for most Haitian citizens. What could become a hopeless situation is being turned around as these boys receive the assistance necessary to set and attain positive goals.

Project Pierre Toussaint is preparing each boy to reach toward his full potential and eventually contribute to necessary solutions for problems that Haiti has suffered with and under for so many years. The ultimate goal for each boy is greater awareness of self and of others, increased self-esteem and self-confidence, and, most importantly, hope for their own and their country’s future.

A non-profit corporation, Haiti Fund, Inc., is the corporate entity in Connecticut (USA) that oversees operations, fundraising, and program planning through an active Board of Directors, many of whom are Knights and Dames.

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