

Espas pa mwen – a safe place for me

Education for girls and young women in the slums of Haiti



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Brief description	The girls and young women in this project are taught how to escape poverty. The acquired skills can be used to achieve financial independence and can be shared with their families. By improving their knowledge and leadership skills, they can become part of political committees and have an impact on relevant societal topics such as accessible education, civil rights and responsibilities, gender equality, healthy diet and hygiene.
Beneficiaries	400 girls and young women from the slums of Port-au-Prince between the age of 8 and 30 benefit each year directly from the education and support in Pétiön-Ville. All the affected women suffer from poverty, grew up as orphans or half-orphans and didn't visit (good) schools.
Goals and Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Girls between 6 and 14 years benefit from extra tuition and financial support so they can improve their academic achievements. Young women between 15 and 30 are empowered to make sound decisions about family planning and relationships. They know how to prevent unwanted pregnancies and are able to distinguish between healthy and unhealthy relationships
Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth Center: Extra tuition, professional care and support, education in hygiene, nutrition and violence related topics. They additionally get warm meals and are able to visit a summercamp. Leadership Academy: Career guidance, psychological care, workshops about environment, human rights, sexual violence and health, HIV/AIDS, Leadership and self-esteem.
Budget 2018	Horyzon's contribution incl. programme overheads: CHF 150'000.-
Duration	2017-2019.

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