

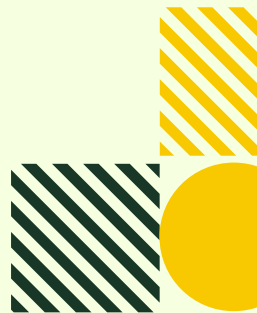


# POURED OUT

2025

# ANNUAL REPORT

**Taking water from life-threatening to life-giving.  
Connecting people and resources to those in need.**



**Thank you to all who support  
all the work we do at Poured  
Out. This year was impactful  
to us and to those we serve.**



# 2025 HIGHLIGHTS

- **New project completion in Uganda**
- **One new Water House in Haiti**
- **1000+ filter follow-ups completed**
- **7 Water Houses repaired after Hurricane**
- **1.5 million gallons of clean water produced in Haiti (our biggest year yet!)**



# HAITI



## Water Houses

This year we were able to complete one new Water House system in the Pralin Community. This Water House will serve a church and school and help around 300 students with clean water. The entire surrounding village of Rivaj will also benefit from the system and serve around 350 people in the community.

We took some time this year to reinforce education and maintenance needs of our existing Water Houses as well. Last year was a big year and our builds went quickly due to our grant deadlines, but at Poured Out we always strive for sustainability. As we have grown and done more systems, we have found that some problems are recurring, some are new and specific to a community or well, and some are preventable with time and care.

Our Water House technician lead, Chelo, was able to identify some well issues on two different systems that led us to dig out more depth and prevent our pumps from burning out. Well issues arise with changes in water level or shifting earth that begins to fill in a well as a result of new construction or other natural events. Chelo was also able to provide great support at the clinics we serve with maintenance needs and an increased volume of need for water.

We also had many repairs to do after Hurricane Melissa damaged much of Haiti with flooding and severe winds. We repaired several roofs, doors, and dried out and replaced equipment damaged by the storm to ensure they continue working. We also have plans in place to repair a currently non-functioning system in the new year.

Our staff also regularly checks on filters, repair spigots and wiring that are broken or damaged, and ensures chlorination for safe standards of storage. We are so proud that our 18 Water Houses in the south region of Haiti are all working well and producing clean water for communities as well as some in other areas of Haiti.



# HAITI

## Biosand Filters

### FOLLOW UPS

Our head filter technician, Junnot, has poured a lot of time and energy into follow ups this year to make sure all biosand filters continue working. His most common calls are for moves and for slow filtration.

We perform the “swish and dump” method where we clean the top layer of sand that can collect the biggest contaminants and scoop out anything floating in order to restore the filter to original condition.

We performed 1000+ follow ups this year with the help of community guides. This promotes our goals of sustainability for the future and gives communities access to water education and support. He also did a lot more re-installation after damage from the hurricane.

Due to the difficulty in transporting supplies and a switch in manufacturer, we were unable to get biosand filters this year to continue installing new filters. While this was a frustrating aspect to our work, we were also grateful for the extra time to give to our Water House efforts as well as to the extra mental and physical effort it took to do normal maintenance. We look forward to future installations when we can obtain more filters.



### COUNTRY UPDATES

Haiti continues to be tumultuous and this has provided many challenges for the Poured Out team over this year. Port au Prince is not allowing any supplies through and although some ports and air lines have opened up options--these are largely unavailable in the South.

One theme we have seen is how important our work continues to be as families are even more challenged for basic needs, making money go farther, and having less access to medicine and healthcare. The care and importance placed on their filters is clear and prevalent as they are reliant on clean water to help them daily to survive.

We also experienced Hurricane Melissa and the damage that ensued due to that storm. We don't always know what challenges are ahead but we strive for sustainability, power in knowledge, and continued commitment to our work despite what presents itself. We have not had the easiest time in Haiti but our projects persevere thanks to the continual efforts of our amazing staff.

# DISASTER RELIEF

We did not respond to any disasters this year but worked hard to ready equipment, engage volunteers, and prepare for our small deployments with skilled machinery and labor. Our fearless leader Chris, had a surgery and had to take a personal break from the wear and tear that comes with relief work. We are prepared for deployment at any time and are honored to have served families for so many years with such a big impact.

2011-2012

Alabama, Missouri, Michigan,  
New York

2018-2019

Florida, Nebraska

2013-2014

Oklahoma, Illinois, Kansas

2020-2021

Tennessee, Michigan,  
Louisiana, Haiti

2015-2016

Louisiana, Michigan, Haiti

2022-2023

Tennessee

2017

Texas, Florida

2024-2025

Georgia, North Carolina



# UGANDA

## Water House Expansion Project

We traveled back to Uganda this year to expand our Water House services and water access at the Kafunjo Community Project.

We were able to pipe clean water over 1100 feet up to the dormitories and schools from the Water House system we installed 2 years ago. This means that students can get clean water right from the tap just outside their classroom.

We also provided maintenance to the Water House system, installed rain catchment for more water storage for irrigation, and provided education and support to the Kafunjo Community as a whole.



## WHAT'S NEXT?

With the expansion of this system to reach more of the Kafunjo community and make it easier and more accessible for students and teachers to get clean water, we started dreaming about what other support we could provide at Kafunjo. We have dreams of installing a second system with solar power this time in order to provide access for the secondary school they are building and also to give a wider range of education to the community on water, power, and sustainability.



# THANKS TO OUR DONORS

We want to say a HUGE thanks to our donors who support the work we do every day. We know it is not without sacrifice and trust, especially when so much of our work is done overseas. You make it possible for us to reach so many across the world with clean water and that will never be a small act.

We are constantly seeking grant funding and opportunities to involve volunteers like our Uganda trip this year. We want to thank everyone who has helped us make a difference for clean water since our inception.

We always say our favorite Haitian proverb is "little by little the bird builds her nest" and that's because every day we see the impact of donors, volunteers, staff, and community members doing something to serve others. We are continuously honored to do this work with you.



## Tributary Members

- Jack Dillon
- Anna Lou Riling
- Janice Roth
- Kelly Kaiser
- Don Bannon
- Kristin Davis
- Jacques Yapo
- Madelyn Clark
- Kent and Dana Butterfield
- Hillside Wesleyan Church
- New Life Wesleyan Church
- Morgan Stanley Gift Fund
- Pine Village Bible Church
- Churches of God

Uganda Water  
\$18,397

Haiti Programs  
\$22,382

Missionary support  
\$9,964

Global Giving  
\$13,408



# FROM OUR STAFF



**Sara Bannon-**  
**Director of Operations**

I am thankful to be able to continue to support such amazing work amidst so much uncertainty. I have continually reminded myself over this year that progress does not have to be all about new projects and new things to do, but of creating sustainability, solving problems, and building up our team and communities with each new challenge presented. I am always amazed at the resilience and ingenuity of our staff and the people we serve as they are faced with multitudes of struggle and am privileged to know them and bear witness to their work. Clean water matters. It matters so much. And it matters to even one person for one day who can receive it. I don't know if I have ever shared my "call" to this work but it has been over 15 years since I first found out about the water crisis and knew in my soul I had to do something about it. I am honored, frustrated, rewarded, challenged, inspired, and filled with purpose and discouragement all at the same time as I continue to navigate this work. The reality that each day, clean water flows because of the support you provide is not something to be missed or overlooked. I am truly in awe of the years of service our staff have given, the dedication of our donors and board members, and the really immeasurable impact that our work together has had on people all over the world.

**Junnot- Lead Filter Technician**



Hello everyone! Today is a good day for me to say thank you all for everything you have done for Haiti. I could not stay silent without explaining how good you all are. I know that Haiti won't be able to give you back what you are doing for the Haitian people but I want you know that God will give you more. I am so grateful and I am feeling happy. Thank you for our donors and sponsors for your help. You help my communities and Haitian staff with a salary to take care of our families and friends. So I would like you all to continue helping my country with treated water. May God bless you every single day. I love you all.

**Chelo Messeroux- Lead Water House Technician and leader of Top Notch school**

Hello everyone. I want to tell you all that I am grateful for everything. I have a lot of things that I need to thank you for this year. This year we have built a few Water Houses in southern Haiti and I know for sure Poured Out could not build Water Houses without your support. Thank you all for supporting Poured Out in order to build Water Houses in Haiti. To save lives, water is life.



# FROM OUR BOARD- A REFLECTION ON STEWARDSHIP

As 2025 comes to a close and I'm afforded time to reflect on the past year of Poured Out's journey, one word keeps coming to mind: stewardship. What exactly does stewardship mean, you may ask? Here's what the google machine tells us:

Stewardship: the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one's care

Stewardship has been a fundamental tenet of our work from the beginning. Stewarding our work is not so simple anymore though. Given the challenge of traveling to and through Haiti with volunteer groups due to civil unrest in Port au Prince, we've had to find new and creative solutions that allow us to continue doing what we do best: connecting people to causes - and other exceptional people - in strenuous situations. We have managed to figure out how to keep the taps running in Haiti with a small, trustworthy staff of dedicated souls. But we have not managed to involve the heart and passion of our volunteers in the same way we once did. With that said, there are veins of our approach that have endured. We show up during challenging times. We continue our service to the fullest extent possible. And we simply just continue to care long after our work concludes. This year was a prime example of that. If the year taught me anything it's that building a water system is an act of hope; maintaining that work is an act of love.

If you're scratching your head and asking yourself: what is this guy even saying? Look no further than our work in Haiti led by Sara, Chelo, and Junnot. 15 years ago, Carlee, Chris, Steve, and many others set foot in Haiti for the first time. Not long after, Carlee and Steve got sick from drinking pathogenic water. It turned out this wasn't an experience unique to them. Hundreds of thousands of Haitians in Port au Prince were contracting water-borne illnesses too. Specifically, cholera. From that realization, Poured Out was created. As we started our work, we found that access to clean, safe drinking water wasn't an issue limited to Port au Prince alone - millions of people in Haiti were struggling with the same problem. 15 years later, cholera incidence has decreased dramatically across the country. And we're a lucky (and resilient, pragmatic) example of the 10% of water-focused organizations that survive the 10 year mark of continual service in Haiti. That doesn't happen by chance. It happens because people steward their work on a daily basis. The work isn't always shiny and appealing - a lot of it happens quietly away from the public eye and social media. And that, right there, is what makes us great!

Sara, Chelo, and Junnot have been at the very forefront of stewarding our organization's work and mission this year. They not only take water from life-threatening to life-giving in a very tangible way, but they do so quietly, consistently, and with grace. Further, they aren't just connecting people and resources in moments of need. Sara, Chelo, and Junnot build real, emotional connections with the people they serve. They are the hub of connection for those of us writing and reading this very letter. But to expect them to continue on in their work without our support - be it through prayer, labor, donation, or words of affirmation - would be naive. And that brings me to my closing thought:

For those of us no longer immersed in the day-to-day planning, construction, and maintenance of water systems, or chain-sawing downed trees from tornados in Tennessee, how are we continuing to steward the work that once felt so significant to us? For the people that lit up our eyes with joy and admiration. So, I leave you with this: will you join us in this new year in stewarding the work and relationships that we all put hands together to nourish?

With love,  
Conner Williams



# GET INVOLVED

## Know and Share

Poured Out continues our work thanks to donors like you! You can stay up to date with all our projects and needs by following us on social media. We also gain new followers and donors when you share what we do or tell others about our work!

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- [vimeo.com/pouredout](https://vimeo.com/pouredout)
- [instagram.com/pouredout/](https://instagram.com/pouredout/)
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You can also shop on our website or sign up to be a regular donor through our Tributary! These supporters give regularly to support what we do!

