



MANY HANDS FOR HAITI

Transforming together to be love in action in a broken world

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2017 Annual Report

As we reflect on 2017, we are overjoyed at the blessings God has given Many Hands for Haiti (MH4H) throughout the year. It is a continuous lesson in humility, as we see God working to mold our organization to fulfill the vision given to us. As we transform together, we see the fruit of this work in Haiti and the people we touch in the United States. This year saw some major milestones reached, culminating in the launch of our Love in Action initiative, the defining strategy we will focus on over the next decade of ministry. This God-given vision will facilitate a deeper level of relationship, focusing on root problems and in love, showing a new path for people. Our call to restore the family is rooted in Romans 12, establishing a firm foundation grounded in truth. We believe we are uniquely positioned to bring transformation to the families and individuals in our circles of influence.

We know if we continue with obedience to God's vision, He will multiply this work. It is an exciting time in our ministry! Thank you for your faith in our leadership and allowing us to steward your dollars. We are transforming together to be love in action in our broken world.

Transform

Romans 12 transformation, a whole person transforming mentally, physically, and spiritually.

Together

We do this in unity, giving our strengths and allowing others to help in our weakness.

Love

Ephesians 4:2 love, to bear with one another in carrying burdens with humility, gentleness, and patience.

Action

Luke 4:18-19 action, proclaiming the Good News, giving freedom to those held captive, physically healing people, and setting the oppressed free.

Broken World

Our world is moaning in brokenness. All are broken and in need of a Savior.

Financials

Our 2017 audited financial statements provide details of all our income, expenses, and administrative costs. We are very happy to see MH4H had an administrative cost percentage of only **7.2%**. What that means: for every **\$1.00 given** to Many Hands for Haiti, **\$0.928 of that dollar goes towards programs**. The benchmark for administrative costs for non-profits according to Charity Navigator is **33%**. World Vision, for example, has an administrative cost of **14%**. Compassion International has an administrative cost of **19.2%**. We share this not to cast negativity towards those organizations, but rather to give you a benchmark of how low our number is.

In 2017, MH4H received **\$2,762,892** in donations and gifts-in-kind. MH4H spent **\$2,947,829** during the calendar year, meaning we spent **\$184,937** more than we took in for the year. This number did increase for us compared to previous years, but we knew that we needed to spend more as we increased our capacity to serve and maintain our growth sustainably.

We spent **\$487,643** in Haiti to be used for various projects in farming, education, spiritual development, medical services, sewing programs, and home rebuilds/cement floors. As well, this includes salaries for our Haitian staff.

We run mission teams from the US and this is part of our overall mission. We spent **\$304,892** on airline tickets, hotels, trip insurance, and vehicles for teams, which is a hard cost as part of the programs.

We've purchased **\$24,522.51** worth of fair-trade goods to resell at our stores, with the majority of these products from Haiti. These ongoing partnerships with our Haitian business partners continue to provide jobs and sustainable income to many Haitians.

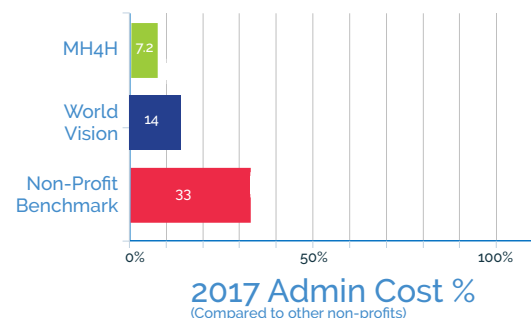
In 2017, we gave **\$8,000** to local non-profits and people in the Spencer area.

As you can see by our numbers, 2017 has seen a significant increase in activity and growth for Many Hands. We have been blessed by your generosity and are excited to see how God continues using us to build His Kingdom.



2017 Expenses

- Mission Expenses
- Trip Expenses
- Management/Fundraising



MH4H Snapshot

Now, here is a small snapshot of what God did through our organization in 2017:

- **1.4 million meals** provided for school children, families, orphans, and hospital patients
 - **'Love In Action'** initiative established, consolidating our programs into one streamlined model that focuses on 0-5-year-olds and their parents
 - **282 short-term trip participants** served cross-culturally in Haiti
 - Construction of **Irene's Place** completed, accommodating our long-term missionaries
 - New **Premye Mil Jou program created**, replacing Thrive for 5
 - **74 new believers and 19 rededicate** their lives to Christ
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- * 100 leaders representing 10 different communities graduated from our two-year Servant Hearted Leadership Program
- * 25 community leaders finished a yearlong "Leaders of Leaders" training
- * Partnership with the RCA developed to create a livestock program
- * Education fund program established, enabling parents to save for their children's future education
- * School of Light class created for 4-year-olds, increasing school student total to 40
- * 18 students graduated from the Agronomy Technical School
- * 830 Bibles purchased and distributed in the Pignon area
- * 32 cement floors poured into homes with dirt floors
- * 15 homes built for families in desperate need of a safe home
- * MH Designer Outlet opened in Spencer
- * New staff hired including Jeff Thomas (Store Manager, Grimes) and Micah Aurand (Administrative Coordinator)
- * New Education team established, promoting Liz Clarke to Education Manager
- * New Hydroponics Greenhouse built, along with 8 smaller systems in local homes and on-campus
- * 4 shipping containers of food distributed for our programs in Haiti
- * 1 shipping container of 144 Personal Energy Transportation (P.E.T.) carts distributed to people with physical disabilities
- * 21 couples married, with our Spiritual Shepherds walking with them in pre-marriage counseling
- * Prayer path developed and built around the campus
- * 1,231 diapers made for children in Haiti
- * 288,704 items recycled through thrift store sales
- * \$35,781 in fair trade items sold
- * Multiple campus upgrades completed, including new paint, plants to combat soil erosion, and beautification
- * 15,098 volunteer hours given at our stores in Grimes and Spencer
- * New MH4H website launched, with better functionality and stronger content

Looking back on this incredible year, we know that we would not be here without the generosity and support we receive from individuals, families, churches, corporations, and institutions from around the country. May God continue to bless you as you walk with us in this transformative work. As we look forward to our 10th year of active ministry in 2018, we remember that we can only do things through Christ who gives us strength. To God be the glory!

In Him,



Tim Brand,
Executive Leader, Many Hands for Haiti

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