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BACK TO SCHOOL

As of September 11, students from each of our partner communities are back in the classroom, eager to learn, grow, play and become the next generation of leaders. Check out our social media pages for frequent updates on how the school year is going!

EMERGING LEADERS

One of the most powerful aspects of our innovative community engagement model is how it equips a new generation of leaders within our partner villages. Here's just a sampling of young people that have opted into bettering themselves and their community through education and training.



The five nursing graduates (L-R): Chrisna, Landy, Jeff, Mystela, Wilna

26 students funded
12 of them are in college
8
5 nurses graduated



We are so proud of Adline. She graduated from Ecole d'Art Culinaire Maranatha in cooking and baking. Pictured above is her proudly displaying her chef's whites along with some delicious delicacies she prepared as a part of her training.



WOMEN LEADING THE WAY IN FINANCE AND AGRO-BUSINESS

Microcredit Organization of Active Women for the Development of Lougou (MOFADEL) is a female-led microlending enterprise in Lougou community. MOFADEL membership has increased to 493 members (274 women, 188 men and 31 community associations). Qualified members can now get a loan up to \$1,500.00 USD. MOFADEL represents a pillar of hope not only for Lougou but for eight surrounding neighborhood communities as well, as it is a locally-run finance operation invested in bettering the local region.



On May 1st, the Agricultural day in Haiti, people from Guillaume and Organisation des Paysans en Action pour l'Emancipation de Camp-Perrin (ORPAECC) planted trees at the top of Cavaillon river to repair the damage done by the earthquake.

Beyond this, many locals are taking advantage of MOFADEL loans to plant fresh crops, start new farming enterprises and bolster the region's food security.