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# OUR HOMES: NPH HAITI

## COUNTRY FACTS

**Area:** 10,714 square miles – slightly smaller than the state of Maryland

**Population:** 10,646,714 (July 2017 est.)

**Languages:** French, Creole

**Issues:** Poorest country in the Western Hemisphere; political instability; frequent natural disasters

## NPH HAITI FACTS

Also known as Nos Petits Frères et Sœurs (NPFS, French for “Our Little Brothers and Sisters”), NPH Haiti was founded by Father William B. Wasson on October 14, 1987. Two years later, he and Father Rick Frechette established a medical program which would later become St. Damien Pediatric Hospital.

### Facilities/Programs:

- **St. Hélène Foyer**, the main children’s home, is located 5,000 feet above sea level in Kenscoff, about 25 miles from the capital of Port-au-Prince.
- **St. Damien Pediatric Hospital** in Tabarre, a suburb of the capital, is the nation’s premier children’s facility.
- **Kay St. Germaine, Kay Gabriel and Kay Elaine** are rehabilitation outpatient centers providing therapy and educating children and adults with neurological disabilities.
- **Father Wasson Angels of Light** in Tabarre provides a home and school for vulnerable and displaced children.
- **Don Bosco** in Tabarre is a higher education program for youths who graduated from St. Hélène and are attending high school, university or technical schools.

\*Includes St. Damien Pediatric Hospital, and children/youth fully supported, community children, youths and adults who receive support by either attending our onsite schools, receive scholarships, receive in-kind donations and or medical/social services.





## DID YOU KNOW?

- As a result of the 2010 earthquake, NPH/NPFS Haiti suffered the tragic loss of staff, volunteers and family members, as well as extensive facility damage. Despite these losses, by year's end, they assisted over one million people.
- St. Hélène Foyer is home to over 400 children. Situated on 15 acres, it features residential cottages, a chapel, farm, and primary school (grades K-8).
- St. Damien Hospital focuses on providing long-term care for critically ill children. It also offers outpatient care and public health programs that provide more than 80,000 services per year. Heart surgery was performed on site for the first time in 2015 with over 130 children receiving life-saving operations since then.
- Kay St. Germaine and Elaine Rehabilitation Outpatient Centers provide therapy and education for children and adults with neurological disabilities.
- In the aftermath of 2017's Hurricane Irma, NPH and its sister program, the St. Luke Foundation for Haiti, distributed 17 tons of food (rice and cooking oil), 17 tons of water, six tons of clothes and sheets, 60,000 aquatabs, 1,000 pounds of seeds for planting, and roofing materials to repair 20 houses.

\*Includes St. Damien Pediatric Hospital

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