

AAE, an Haitian, non profit NGO on the Haitian island of La Gonave, registered with the Haitian government and active for the last ten years in La Gonave, Haiti continues to work towards self-sufficiency.

The recent hurricane Matthew had destroyed much land and crops, but we had no loss of life and CSAE, our new school was undamaged (except the food garden that needs rebuilding) and was used as a shelter refuge for the neighbouring people, during the hurricane.

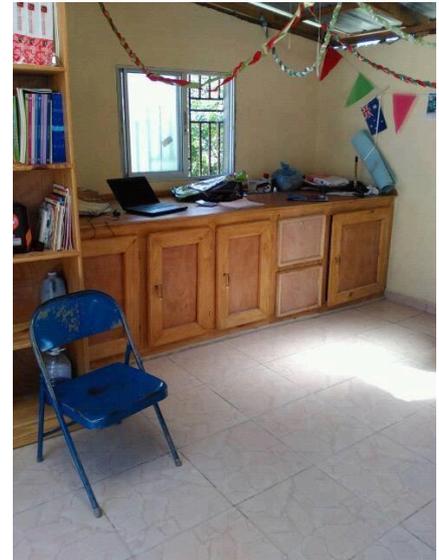


Figure 1 Women's cooperative and office

Although La Gonave remains isolated from the mainland, the Association is now in the position of feeding the children in their care thanks to the Hungry Tummy project by Alana Kaye, who is also managing a sponsorship program for the children through her For You Haiti website.

Enrolments have tripled this year, confirming the good name the school has acquired in less than two years. Several medical cases were attended to thanks to Ada Neilson, Alana Kaye and Dr Rob William, also

including some special need children in AAE, and we are grateful for this help to all children, not only ours. The restaurant has a new kitchen, serving both the school and patrons, the in-ground water tank is working well and the new office was built inside the entry gate. AAE Australia has received a donation to develop small businesses in the town and this program was approved at our last AGM, to be implemented as from February 2017.

A USA school is organizing a sister-school program, that would greatly help future development both educational and for teachers' training.



There is a consistent project of sea aid being implemented at the moment, for immediate relief after the hurricane as well as for a future ongoing connection among the Haitian islands that are always unaided, much like most villages on the coastlines.

The first round of elections is being held as we write, and the second round is scheduled for January.

We thank RRA and ISHRA have been supporting our work for many years and to the new actors cooperating towards a better future for all the communities in La Gonave and beyond.

We will report about the list of income-generating projects as soon as they are approved by the AAE La Gonave committee, early next year.



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