

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The past year was a challenge, to say the least. In Haiti, despite a lockdown, fuel shortages and COVID-19, GHEKIO never closed its doors. The GHEKIO team continued to provide the highest level of treatment for patients and kept life-saving research on track. A leader in the fight against the pandemic in Haiti, GHEKIO never wavered in its commitment to the Haitian people.

I want to extend my sincere thanks for everything you've done to help us support GHEKIO. While we don't know what 2021 has in store, we do know this: **GHEKIO is doggedly optimistic and exceedingly realistic; pioneering and hopeful; committed and resilient.**

In 2021, with your generous support, we will continue to support GHEKIO in its mission.

In solidarity with Haiti, **Scott Morgan**

722,010

TOTAL PATIENT VISITS

13,224

HEAD OF FAMILY RECEIVING
NUTRITIONAL SUPPORT

235

SURVIVORS OF GENDER-BASED
VIOLENCE PROVIDED WITH
VOCATIONAL TRAINING

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2020 was a very challenging year for GHEKIO. I was called to be the Co-President of the national commission in charge of COVID-19 pandemic. As I focused on my new responsibilities, Dr. Deschamps managed GHEKIO Centers.

Now that the two three-month mandates of the commission are over, I am happy to report that Haiti has done well in containing the COVID-19 pandemic.

GHEKIO has been an amazing partner to the Ministry of Health, leading many essential responsibilities, including:

- Providing PCR COVID-19 testing in the West department and at two posts on the Haiti-Dominican Republic border (Ouanaminthe and Malpasse)
- Opening two COVID-19 treatment centers
- Developing national training guidelines
- Providing training for medical staff and community health agents
- Conducting seroprevalence surveys on key populations

FHAME and HGHA played a critical role in raising funds, which allowed us to purchase essential equipment and tools to counter the COVID-19 pandemic in Haiti.

- **Dr. Jean William Pape, Executive Director, GHEKIO Centers**

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On behalf of the GHEKIO staff and the beneficiaries of services, thank you for providing your support for the urgent needs of the vulnerable population of Haiti during a particularly difficult year.

- **Dr. Marie-Marcelle Deschamps, Deputy Director, GHEKIO Centers**



HOPE FOR THE FUTURE: A PEDIATRIC SUCCESS STORY

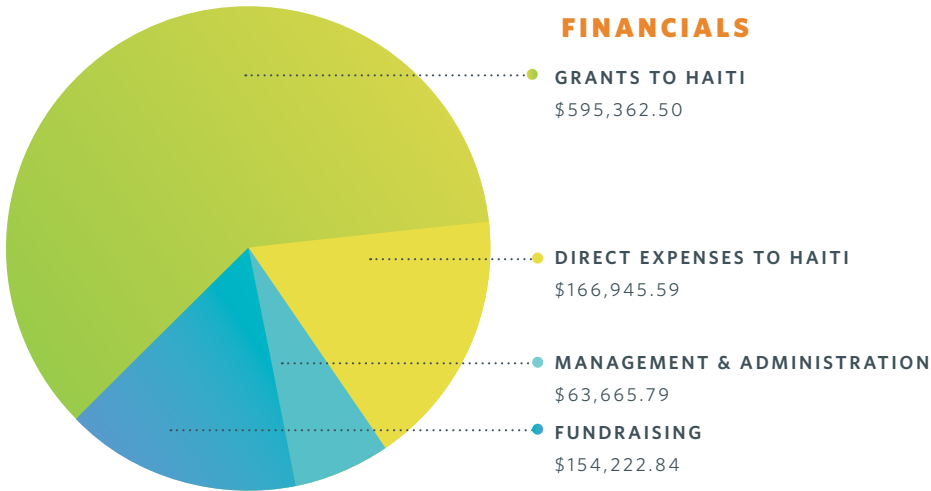
JJ was just three months old when her mother brought her to GHESKIO's pediatric clinic in March 2016. JJ had oral thrush and skin lesions all over her body, and testing revealed her to be HIV-positive. GHESKIO provided counseling for her mother, and she and JJ began life-saving antiretroviral treatment.

JJ's mother was also diagnosed with syphilis. JJ's father was shocked, angry and refused to be tested. In the midst of this stressful home environment, JJ's mother was unable to continue regular treatment for herself and JJ.

After months of conflict, the mother fled home and never returned, leaving JJ to the care of her father, who was overwhelmed and frightened by JJ's HIV diagnosis.

Nearly a year later, JJ's father brought her back to GHESKIO, where he received counseling and support. As he became more comfortable with her diagnosis, he agreed to resume JJ's treatment and be tested for HIV himself.

Today, JJ is a happy, energetic five-year-old. Both she and her father are in active HIV treatment, and they share hope for a healthy future.



**Note that all overhead costs are covered by board patrons, thus 100% of donations go directly to Haiti*

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

Thank you to all of our loyal supporters and the many new supporters who joined the GHESKIO family in 2020. Though it was a challenging year around the globe, GHESKIO demonstrated determination and resilience in the face of political unrest, lockdowns and COVID-19.

We hope you'll continue to walk with us on our journey to provide the highest quality health services. Your financial support and encouragement are pillars of our strength, and we are grateful for all you do.

With appreciation, **Lionel Turnier**

YOUR SUPPORT IN 2020

Because of **YOU**, we supported the GHESKIO COVID-19 response by supplying urgently needed PPE, electrical and oxygen generators, nationwide training for health care workers and patient monitoring equipment.