**What is FoM’s Mission?**

To support the people of Matènwa, and by extension the people of La Gonave and other Haitian communities with programs and opportunities to improve:

\*Literacy and education

\*Social justice

\*Community and cultural development

\*Health and welfare

**What are the major programs FoM funds in Haiti?**

1. a model school in Matènwa

- Creole literacy

- preK-6 grade education, with grades 7-9 locally supported

- 6th grade certification achievement

-gardening as part of the curriculum

- progressive education, respectful practices

- teacher training

- a full meal 5 times a week – approx.. 48 weeks

2. community schools across La Gonave with Matènwa elements:

- Creole literacy

- education leading to 6th grade certification

- gardening as part of curriculum

- progressive education, respectful practices

- teacher training

3. family gardens with health and economic benefits

4. cottage industry start-ups

- Library and Bookstore

- Artisans’ Center

5. disaster relief

- food

- housing

- education (What is cholera? What is an earthquake?)

6. POTENTIALLY: Matènwa as a training center for visiting teachers from across Haiti

**What are major initiatives outside of Haiti that support FoM’s mission?**

1. transitional travel

- visitors to Haiti learn, offer skills, remain active supporters

2. schools and education

- engagement of schools in learning, participating, and fund raising

- students write Mother Tongue Books

- news notes, descriptive materials

3. fund raising

- events, proposals, donor relations, colleague contacts

4. POTENTIALLY: a Mother Tongue Book publication enterprise

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