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ONE-TIME GIFTS FOR BIG PRACTICAL NEEDS

SEVEN YEAR ITCH

Seven years is a remarkable journey. Looking back, who thought we'd navigate global pandemics, natural disasters and local unrest, while staying steadfast in our support for these kids? But seven years also marks a natural cycle for the equipment that keeps us running.



In 2019, we started with the basics: beds, kitchen supplies, generators, and solar panels. While we've managed the day-to-day replacements within our budget, our heavy-duty systems are reaching their limit. We need a capital injection now to ensure these costs don't eat into the children's tuition and school supplies.
(See our financials here: MAEDH Sharing)

So here is the ASK:

Please pick one project that strikes a chord with you and make a one-time gift toward it.
Below the table is the real story behind each item, the practical purpose, and the specific cost for each item. And yes—we promise a picture of the item in action, plus a thank-you note from the kids. One pen-to-paper gift here can make daily life in Haiti safer, brighter, and a whole lot easier.

MAEDH One-Time Capital Gifts

Pick your project	Gift amount	What your gift does
Solar panel	$200	Helps keep lights on and powers the well pump for cleaner water.
Generator or battery	$600	Backs up power for lights, charging, water, and refrigeration.
Transportation	$2,000 shipping a donated car or $4,500 purchase	Helps replace the tired RAV4 so MAEDH can shop for food and move safely between homes.
Wheelchair	$300	Gives Richelet or Stevenson safer, sturdier wheels for rough roads.
Starlink activation or second dish	$500	Helps keep WiFi available so MAEDH can learn, plan, and stay connected.
Internet	$100/month $1200/year	Bring the world to MAEDH, and support meetings
Laptop	$400	Supports bookkeeping, English practice, basic computer skills, and learning.
Tuition for one student	$475	Covers the school cost for one child.
Supplies + uniform for one student	$375	Gets one child ready for the school year, including books and materials
Whole school year	$7,000	Covers tuition, uniforms, and supplies for all students for the year.
School exam support	$300	Helps a student keep moving forward in school despite tough conditions.
One month of rent	$300	Keeps two households stable and gives the kids a better living setup.
Emergency care fund	Any amount toward $2,000	Helps MAEDH respond quickly when a child is hurt or sick.



To DONATE

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Power: Keep the Lights On and the Pump Running

The local power company has moved from "inconsistent" to "non-existent", so our systems are under incredible strain. When the sun goes down, the darkness is absolute. Our batteries are tired, and our old generator literally caught fire. Even our clean water depends on electricity to run the well pump. We are fighting to keep the lights on and the water flowing.





Solar panel: $200 each

Generator: $600 each

Battery: $600 each



Why this matters

We are now supporting two sites—the Gervais home and the Cadet home—so we need two reliable power systems. These gifts help keep lights on, phones charged, water pumping, and maybe even refrigeration in reach.

Transportation: Our Car as a Lifeline

When I first met Richelet in 2013 at the original orphanage, he was trying to get the well pump to work. He and his friends can fix almost anything—but we simply cannot keep it running. Transportation is not a luxury. It gets people from one house to the other, helps the kids get to school on truly terrible roads, and makes bulk food shopping possible. Since food is about 70% of our operating budget, the car really does pay for itself—when it runs. It's the difference between subsistence and stability.



Donate a US car: $2,000 to ship it to Haiti

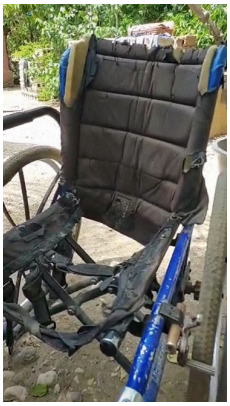
Buy one locally: $4,500

Per our leader Richelet:

"To all those who wish to help and support the children again:
MAEDH wanted and still hopes to provide concrete assistance to allow the children to benefit from two or three meals a day, as is customary. MAEDH seeks to raise more funds to meet current needs. MAEDH wanted to purchase a Toyota 4Runner or Nissan Pathfinder to help with shopping at the market, and this car could also help us travel elsewhere, etc."



Wheelchairs: Dignity in Motion for $300 each





Our fearless leader, Richelet, and new high school student Stevenson are both wheelchair dependent. We have repaired, patched, and improvised as much as we can. Now it is time for chairs that are safer, sturdier, and less exhausting to use on rough roads and uneven ground.



Power, Water, and Transport are the foundations,

but Connection is what allows our children to grow.

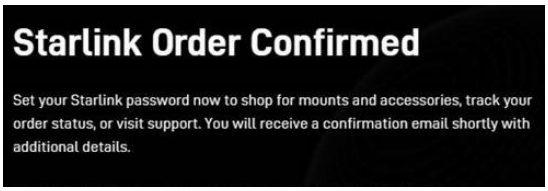
Growth is Hope, and Hope is what we do.

Let's move past just surviving.

Internet: Bring the World to MAEDH

The reality here is tough, and leaving is nearly impossible for our kids due to visa and financial hurdles. If they can't go to the world, we must bring the world to them. That means the Internet. But a simple cellphone data plan isn't enough for education—we need high-speed WiFi. Enter Starlink!

Earlier this year, we witnessed a **MIRACLE**: we delivered Starlink to MAEDH! Richelet secured the dish, and now we have the tools to teach and learn like never before. However, the "roaming" loopholes are closing, and we need to formalize our connection to keep this window to the world open. **A $500 activation fee and $100/month ensure both our locations stay connected.**

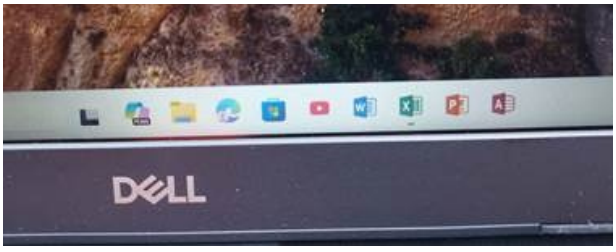


It works great—when we have electricity, see above. We now have weekly face-to-face meetings, which makes a huge difference for planning, teaching, and staying connected. The next step is keeping it active and making sure both MAEDH locations can use it.

Computers: Teaching, Learning, Planning, and Bookkeeping

WiFi is only useful if you have something to use it with. We sent Richelet a computer years ago, but the battery has not survived—and neither has the machine, really. We need one reliable laptop for management and bookkeeping, and another for education. Imagine the older kids learning English, practicing basic computer skills, and using the internet to see the world and be seen by it.

New or gently used Dell laptop: $400 each.



INTERNET part deux
Richest man in the world vs. MAEDH

Soooo, you think you're a smarty pants? We know big tech moves fast and closes loopholes eventually. Starlink is closing the "just roaming in Haiti" option this fall, so we need to formalize access. A $500 **one-time gift** would help cover the Caribbean activation fee. Another $500 **gift** would help add a second dish for our two locations. **And $100/month—or $1,200/year**—would keep unlimited internet running for both homes. Give kids a little knowledge and their thirst will grow.



Second Rent: Two Homes, More Stability

Last newsletter we outlined our change in living arrangements:

> … we decided to move closer to town and Mona's apartment. With so many folks "relocating" to dodge the influence of the gangs, the rental market in the "safer" zones is very tight. Finding a place for all of us proved difficult. So we reviewed options for different households.
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> We made a management decision that Mona will live with the kids. Richelet, his wife, daughter and dog will reoccupy their previous lodgings. We think living with Mona, her son, and niece will be a growth experience for everyone. It will also give the Cadet family a little time to themselves.

Why it matters: This has been great for the kids. Mona and her older children have been a wonderful influence on the boys, and the Cadet family now has a little space to breathe. The catch, of course, is that two households mean two rents. The old place where the Cadets live is paid for, but **the new place costs $300/month**. A one-time gift can cover a month—or several—of safe, stable housing.

Education: Tuition and Supplies

Education is our core benefit: housing, food, clothing, and school. We budget for tuition, uniforms, and supplies every year, but when major capital needs pop up, they can eat into the school fund quickly. A one-time education gift helps protect the basics and keeps the kids moving forward.

- **Tuition = $475/student**
- **Supplies and Uniform = $375/student**
- **All students for a school year = $7000**

Why it matters: Stevenson made it over rocky roads and through places with no ADA access often enough to pass his exams for secondary school. That is grit. That is hope. **Exam fees: $300.**

Emergency Medical - $2000







One of our students was hit by a car and injured both legs. Thankfully, he received good hospital care and is now back playing football—which is exactly the kind of ending we like. A one-time emergency gift helps us respond quickly when the unexpected happens.

Thank you for all that you have done and continue to do.