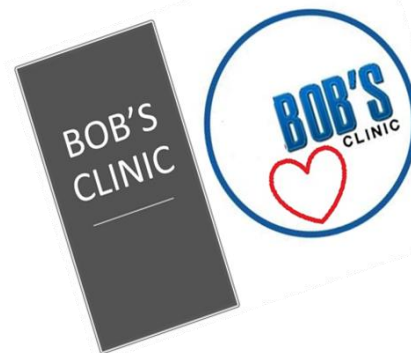


St. Francis-Haiti  
Outreach Ministry  
**Bob's Clinic**  
**Challenge**

**Help us raise \$10,000!!**  
**Saturday, August 25—**  
**feast of St. Louis to**  
**Friday, October 4—feast**  
**of St. Francis**

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**Please join us for our next meeting: Tuesday, September 20 : Join us for Mass at 5:30 pm, followed by a light meal of Haitian beans and rice in Assisi Hall!!**

**The Bob's Clinic Challenge began on August 25<sup>th</sup>**, the Feast of St. Louis King of France and continues through October 4<sup>th</sup>, Feast day of our patron saint, Saint Francis of Assisi. **Bob's Clinic Challenge Funds** will assist the medical staff in delivering more effective healthcare to their patients by supplementing their limited resources. Use the donation form on the reverse side of this newsletter to explore several ways that you might help to continue this great health ministry! The Haitian people continue to extend their thanks to all who do so much for their community.

The clinic continues to grow stronger! The clinic has weathered the pandemic. This is mostly due to the great education efforts by the Bob's Clinic team in the community. All to the glory of God!

Bob's Clinic was founded in 2005 because there was no medical care of any kind on the south side of the island of La Gonave. The clinic has been responsible for bringing medical care to that side of the island and many many people ever since! The clinic is funded solely by donations.



Bob's Clinic is in desperate need of some physical attention and a goal of the challenge is to help facilitate some physical improvements.. Dr. Nathalie writes to us that they are in desperate need of handwashing stations so that the doctors are able to more easily wash their hands between patient visits. In addition, the Center needs more ventilation in the patient room through installation of additional windows and the purchase of fans. Several repairs are also necessary: the roof is leaky in places, walls have cracks, and the solar powered electrical system needs maintenance. The clinic needs updated inpatient rooms and handicap ramps (right now they have to carry mobility impaired patients up the steps! Dr. Nathalie has additional requests and needs and we will work hard to help the clinic realize all the important requests!

**The new Social Service Intern Dr. Melissa Bouricoult**

The St. Francis Haiti Outreach Committee is extremely grateful to an anonymous parishioner who has issued this challenge for many years. Without this support, healthcare delivery in the community of Pointe-a-Raquette would not be possible!



**Bob's Clinic Challenge 2022:** The clinic has limited resources. It is difficult to meet the extreme needs of patients with infectious diseases, severe injuries, and high risk expectant mothers. Diagnostic testing can be a challenge. Inconsistent electricity is supplemented by solar power and batteries. The availability of adequate medicine is a continuous problem. Dr. Nathalie hopes that the clinic can work towards obtaining desks and chairs for the patient room, scales for adults, scales for babies, oxygen cylinders or oxygen concentrators, and sphygmomanometer (blood pressure cuffs!). And Fr. Augustin writes in a recent email: *The situation becomes more difficult in Haiti. The*

**The clinic staff**

*government in Haiti has devalued the US dollar. Therefore, we do not get enough goudes (Haitian money) in the exchange to meet the expenses in goudes. Please pray for Haiti. All this affects the increase in food prices. The cost of everything grows more than we can imagine.*

Through your support, Bob's Clinic has been able to meet many of these challenges, but on-going support is necessary. Please prayerfully consider how you might help

**Help us raise \$10,000!!**

I enclose:

- \_\_\_ \$25 to provide electricity for a week
- \_\_\_ \$50 to provide Emergency Transportation for a patient
- \_\_\_ \$100 to fund Diagnostic Equipment and repair the IVs
- \_\_\_ \$250 to fund Diabetes medicine and supplies
- \_\_\_ \$500 to keep the Pharmacy stocked
- \_\_\_ Any amount to help provide for the physical upkeep

DONOR Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Make check to: St. Francis Haiti Outreach**

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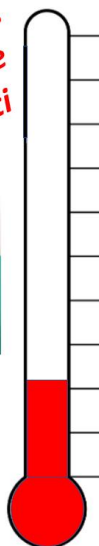
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***Men anpil chay pa lou. Many hands make the load lighter. Bondye beni ou. God bless you.***

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**Bob's Clinic Challenge for Haiti**



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*The lab technician Gertrude in the lab.*