

# Hens for Haiti - Recent Highlights



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## H4H Connects at CGI 2013

Hens for Haiti first became involved with the Clinton Global Initiative in spring of 2009 when a student group from Virginia Tech traveled to Miami, FL for the annual meeting of CGIU. At the meeting, Hens for Haiti was honored with an Outstanding Commitment Award from former President Bill Clinton including a \$8,000 grant from Walmart to jumpstart the Gros-Morne pilot project. Since that time, Hens for Haiti has been involved with CGI in various capacities including tabling at the 2010 CGI annual meeting in New York, attending the 2011 CGIU San Diego meeting, and serving as a mentor and speaker at CGIU in 2012 in Washington, DC.

This year, Hens for Haiti president, Christina Newman, was offered complementary membership into CGI and invited to attend the 2013 CGI annual meeting in late September. At the event, Christina boasted about the program's successes as well as sought advice to tackle some of the many challenges. Hens for Haiti strives to strengthen its relationship with the Clinton Foundation and other CGI members as collaboration increases in Haiti.



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Consider purchasing an alternative gift card through Hens for Haiti! Cards are available through [www.hensforhaiti.org](http://www.hensforhaiti.org) and can be personalized for any special occasion! Give the gift of a hen for \$10 or bag of feed for only \$30!

Opportunities are also available to support a Haitian staff member or new project improvement. Contact [hensforhaiti@gmail.com](mailto:hensforhaiti@gmail.com) for more details.

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One Egg at a Time

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## On-Site Training, Research, and Internship Opportunities

Hens for Haiti strives not only to stimulate employment, nutrition, and sustainable business practices in Haiti, but also to foster growth of the initiative through research and local trainings. Communities that decide to duplicate the Poulaye model have the opportunity to visit Gros-Morne and work alongside seasoned managers and facility caretakers. Several groups have already taken advantage of this opportunity by sending staff to Gros-Morne for as long as a week at a time to shadow the day to day activities and business practices implemented at the egg production facility. This training allows newly appointed staff to become familiar with biosecurity precautions, feeding, egg collection, cleaning, sales, and marketing techniques before their own businesses are up and running.

In addition to local Haitian trainings, Hens for Haiti also offers research and internship opportunities for institutions within the United States. Hens for Haiti is always looking for ways to improve production efficiency and business practices within the supported businesses in Haiti. Students and professors are encouraged to become involved through research such as local feed formulation, product quality and grading, marketing and sales techniques, and facility design in relation to production efficiency. US-based internship opportunities range from fundraising and grant writing to program promotion and outreach.

Hens for Haiti believes that collaboration with local organizations both in Haiti and the US is the key to success in solving the many challenges facing the Poulaye initiative. For more information on current opportunities or how to become involved in creating new ideas, contact Christina Newman at [hensforhaiti@gmail.com](mailto:hensforhaiti@gmail.com) or visit our [website](#).



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