

Fanm Ayisyen Nan Miyami, Inc. (FANM)

Haitian Women of Miami and the Presbytery of Tropical Florida



The Presbytery of Tropical Florida has contributed \$4000 to FANM to help support several of its programs serving earthquake survivors.

FANM was founded in 1991 with the vision of advancing social, economic, and political justice among Haitian women and their families in South Florida. The founding group consisted of 10 Haitian women. FANM evolved as one of the first organizations in South Florida of its kind, offering culturally competent services, care, and advocacy to Haitian women and their families. The ethnic composition of its board is three Haitians, two Caucasians, and 1 African-American. Several programs withing FANM have proved helpful to earthquake survivors currently living in South Florida.

The Family Intervention and Empowerment Program provides support to migrant families focusing on transitional and cultural adjustment needs. Services include case management, parenting education and support, psycho-social assessments, treatment plans crisis intervention, and mental health counseling. The program provides counseling in the areas of domestic violence and anger management, as well as assistance and advocacy to parents/guardians and victims with legal proceedings.

The Youth Development and Leadership Program prepares youth to meet the challenges of tomorrow. The program provides after school programs, summer camp, and spring break programs. Core components include academics, physical fitness, and financial literacy/responsibility. Staff assists children with homework, literacy activities, tutoring, and FCAT preparation in reading, math, and science. Financial literacy and responsibility programs provide tools necessary to become financially responsible and self-sufficient.



The Adult Education and Literacy Program provides basic adult education and computer literacy skills.

These programs are vital in enabling earthquake survivors living in South Florida to take their place in a new life and to help adults enter the job market in order to help family members remaining in Haiti.

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