



Endurance ABOVE ALL

PRESSING FORWARD WITH UNSHAKABLE RESOLVE



OVERTURE
INTERNATIONAL

2025 ANNUAL REPORT

the Overture difference

At Overture International, we work with a deeply rooted purpose. We believe Haitians (like all of us) have a God-given desire and calling to experience the dignity and freedom that comes from living independent, self-sufficient lives. And we believe they are capable and worthy of the opportunity to experience such a life.



OUR VISION

We envision a Haiti transformed by strong, independent, self-sufficient Haitian communities.



OUR MISSION

We empower Haitian families and their communities to be active and engaged in building full, hopeful and independent lives.



OUR WHY

The heart of our mission has and always will be about protecting children and empowering communities for independence.





“ It has been a privilege of a lifetime to work alongside the people of Haiti for 15 years now. As I reflect on this journey, our mission has remained deeply rooted in the promise of Jeremiah 29:7: **‘Seek the peace and prosperity of the city... Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper.’**

This scripture captures the heartbeat of Overture. We are not interested in temporary fixes; we are fiercely dedicated to empowering the most vulnerable to claim the dignity of independence and self-reliance. We believe that when the most marginalized thrive—when a family is strengthened and a child is safe—the entire community prospers.

As we continue this journey, we are proud to celebrate the milestones shared in this annual report, which reflect the incredible progress and evolution of our mission in action.

To our faithful supporters, thank you. Your unceasing prayers and financial support are the fuel for this progress. **Together, we are not just providing aid; we are building a foundation for a future where Haitian families stand strong, free and self-sufficient.**

Your generosity is the strength behind our endurance as we press forward toward a vision of true sustainability.”

LISA HYATT, Executive Director





“For years, we struggled to find homes for children with severe disabilities and chronic

illnesses. But through our partnership with Overture International, we successfully mobilized and trained specialized foster families to meet this critical need. Today, these children live in dignity, and their daily lives are extraordinary. This collaboration has created a real, lasting impact, proving that every child can thrive within a family.”

— BERTRAND MÉRIDIEN,
IBESR SUD Coordinator



A year defined by *endurance*

2025 presented hurdles that would have broken the spirit of many, yet we witnessed a strength in our Haitian partners that was nothing short of miraculous. Despite the immense challenges facing the country—from political instability to natural disasters—your generosity allowed us to make significant strides together in every area of our Social Support Model’s Five Pillars (Empowerment, Education, Nutrition, Healthcare and Infrastructure), ultimately proving as a lifeline that has empowered vulnerable families in southern Haiti to stand strong against the tides of poverty and instability.

One word resonated in our hearts and minds for 2025: **endurance**. Endurance is about more than surviving; it’s about remaining steadfast in the face of adversity and pressing forward toward a vision of sustainability. **The status quo of dependence shifted this year.** Your steadfast support fueled this endurance and enabled us to go beyond just holding the line. Together, we are advancing Haitian families, communities and agencies toward the independence God desires for us ALL.

This report represents only a small portion of the transformative impact we’ve accomplished—TOGETHER!



2025 special *highlights*

CRISIS RESPONSE

HAITI LIVES UNDER THE CONSTANT THREAT OF NATURAL DISASTERS.

But when Hurricane Melissa struck in 2025, the response affirmed that preparation, partnership and Haitian-led leadership can dramatically improve how communities prepare for, respond to and recover from crises. In the months before the storm, Overture worked closely with Haitian-led agencies, local government partners and community leaders to strengthen early warning systems, improve communication with remote communities and raise awareness—enabling families and farmers to prepare rather than simply react.

As a result, we delivered critical pre- and post-storm support alongside local authorities and partners, including seed distribution and recovery assistance for **66 farmers**, nutrition for **230 vulnerable families** and rapid interventions to rescue **8 children with special needs** from flooded hospitals. Our established communication networks also enabled faster assessments across reunified families and communities. Many families were able to remain in their homes, communities mobilized quickly and recovery began much sooner than in past disasters. This response is a powerful reminder that when we work together, resilience replaces vulnerability—and Haiti grows stronger even in crisis. **Transformation is happening NOW in Haiti.**



NEW RESOURCES

CASE FOR SUPPORT

Because we are committed to keeping supporters informed about our work and the impact of their investment, as well as equipped with resources that help share our mission with new audiences, **we developed a standalone Case for Support** that clearly outlines the challenges our mission faces, the opportunities we are embracing and our tireless efforts to equip and empower Haitians toward independence and self-reliance. **You can read the case for support by scanning this QR code.**

CASE FOR SUPPORT



STRONGER SERIES BOOKLET 3

Ending Haiti's harmful orphanage system remains a top priority for Overture. **The completion of the third and final installment of our *Orphanages are NOT the Answer* series reinforces this commitment.** With a focus on post-reunification, family strengthening and the vital role empowered communities play in preventing family separation, booklet three is a must-read—along with the full series. Please share all three booklets with your family, friends and church to help reinforce the message that orphanages are NOT the answer in Haiti. *For a full listing of available resources, please visit www.overture.international/resources.*

BOOKLET 1

Orphanages are NOT the Answer



BOOKLET 2

Orphanages are NOT the Answer: Uniting Families



BOOKLET 3

Orphanages are NOT the Answer: From Reunification to Resiliency



SCAN TO READ



expanded foster care for the most vulnerable

In 2025, we took a bold step forward in our commitment to family preservation by **expanding the foster care system** in southern Haiti. Our focus? The children who are often deemed the “hardest to place.”

We believe deeply that every child, regardless of their situation, is worthy of living with a loving family. Yet, for far too long, Haitian children with special needs and chronic illnesses have been the most at-risk for institutionalization or abandonment due to a lack of resources and support.

This year, we challenged that narrative and refused to accept that the orphanage was the only option for these precious lives. We launched a specialized initiative to **recruit, train and support foster families** specifically equipped to care for



children with complex needs. As a result, we are overjoyed to report that **23 children with special needs or chronic illnesses are now living with loving, capable foster families.**

These children, once overlooked, are now experiencing the dignity, safety and individualized care that can only be found within a family unit. **This milestone proves that when families are empowered with the right tools and support, every child—regardless of ability—can thrive at home.**

a contagious *joy*

MEET BIRON AND BELA. Their journey together has been nothing short of miraculous and is a true testament to the transformative power of family. When Bela, a young girl with multiple disabilities, arrived at Biron's home from the institution, she was malnourished, underweight and struggling to sleep. But things quickly changed. Under Biron's devoted care, Bela is now sleeping through the night, gaining weight and growing stronger every day.

"The experience of welcoming Bela has been difficult... but God gives us strength. She always has a smile on her face; she always brings joy to the house. When I take care of Bela, I feel as if she were my own child... a child I gave birth to. When the others go to school... I turn on my little radio, and we make music together. I can tell you that if IBESR ever decides to move Bela, it would hurt me a lot because I've gotten very attached to her," Biron shares.

Through the exhaustion and the challenges, Biron's and Bela's hearts remain joyful. Their story proves that even children with the most complex needs can thrive when surrounded by the love, safety and dignity of a family.





“ I see the change in the children every time we meet—they show me respect, love and joy. Through these psychosocial

activities, children discover hidden talents, learn to manage their frustrations and, most importantly, begin to believe in themselves again. For many, this is where they regain their zest for life. Children who once lacked interest or affection now develop empathy and leadership skills. They find a safe space to play, to speak freely without fear or judgment and to just be children. It is here that they learn they are not defined by their trauma, but by their potential.”

— **CESAR**, Overture Psychosocial Activities Facilitator

prioritized mental health and *restored* childhood joy

We believe that true independence demands more than just physical strength—it requires deep mental and emotional resilience. In 2025, **we prioritized the mental health of children**, recognizing that healing from trauma caused by a variety of circumstances such as constant distress, family separation and natural disasters is absolutely essential for their future.

In a country constantly defined by crisis, our commitment to preserving the precious innocence of childhood remains unwavering. Beyond our daily work at the **Les Cayes Campus and the Dory Dome Community Center**, our local

team partnered with countless community members across **22 communities** in southern Haiti to transform **events and celebrations** into vital opportunities to **empower children and families** with crucial psychosocial support activities and child protection knowledge.





BOX OF JOY

Through **6 events**, we showered **600 children** with gifts representing God's love.

CHILDREN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS

During the months of June and November, **27 awareness events were held on Children's Rights and Protection** in partnership with IBESR and other organizations to educate more than **7,420 children** in schools, community centers, homes and at the Les Cayes campus.

CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS

In **4 communities**, we celebrated the birth of King Jesus and provided psychosocial activities to more than **800 children**.

Not only were these events critical in helping us build and cultivate community engagement in the regions we serve, but they also **allowed thousands of children to step away from the harsh realities of their daily lives and simply be kids for a day**. These moments of pure joy are critical for a child's well-being. By nurturing their emotional health today, we empower them to grow into healthy, independent adults who will one day lead their communities.



“The most profound change we witnessed in Dory was the sheer transformation of the children. At first, fear and isolation held them back,

but session by session, we watched them come alive as they found their voices and their joy. This center has become a sanctuary of hope and rebuilding, especially for those growing up without parents. After 18 months, the impact is undeniable: aggression has been replaced by solidarity, and children who once hid in the shadows are now engaging in school and stepping up as leaders. They now know that if they believe in themselves, they can go far.”

— **CADELY**, Overture Psychosocial Activities Facilitator at Dory Dome Community Center

“Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.”
— ECCLESIASTES 4:9-10

prioritized partnership development with community

Our vision has always been clear: a Haiti transformed by strong, independent Haitians. But true transformation doesn't come from the outside looking in—it starts at the roots and requires a long-term commitment.

In 2025, **we shifted our focus to the region's heartbeat: its community members.** We empowered local citizens to take the reins through **Community Leadership Committees.** These leaders are now the champions of their own communities, working hand-in-hand with Overture to ensure that every service is 100% Haitian-led and Haitian-sustained.

Furthermore, we continued to nurture and expand our **partnership with local farmers** to tackle one of the region's most pressing needs: **hunger.** We believe that the fight against

hunger must be won in the fields of Haiti, not in shipping containers from overseas. That's why we invested deeply in expanding the capacity of local farmers to build a lasting food-security system through our **Diri Lavi! food packaging and community farming programs.** More than **130 farmers** gathered throughout the year to collaborate on farming needs, learn new techniques and share ideas on reaching areas that struggle to grow crops.

Overture is moving beyond temporary aid. **We're building an ecosystem that enables Haitians to feed Haitians. Haitians to lead Haitians. And Haitians to build a stronger, independent Haiti together.**

This is the path to true self-sufficiency.



“Overture doesn’t just apply standard models; they adapt to our reality. They are building a table where we all sit together. They understand the importance of working closely with local actors like us at every stage. By treating us as true partners, not just beneficiaries, they are sparking confidence in us.”

— **WILCHEL CHÉRY**, President of Organisation of Active Citizens for the Advancement of the Southern Community



“The Diri Lavi program helps me enormously. Instead of walking a long way in the sun to sell at the market, the program managers come and collect the rice directly from my home. They buy it at market price, just as if I were selling it myself. Being in the Diri Lavi program allows me to work better. I can

afford to rent a rototiller to prepare the land on time. Even the house you see under construction is being built thanks to my sales with Diri Lavi.”

— **JOURDAIN JEAN CLAUDY**, Diri Lavi Farmer and Father



transforming communities



EMPOWERMENT

Improves well-being through assessments, counseling, workshops and facilitation of services.

102

children
received crisis
care services

68

crisis interventions
held to prevent
separation

71

children reunified
with biological or
foster family

326

families assessed
and monitored
for support plans

Over five years ago, Overture made the courageous decision to transform the ESPWA campus from a traditional orphanage into something far more powerful: **a living, evolving center for family preservation, child protection and community-led development in southern Haiti**. The campus is now called **the Community Complex for the Protection of Children**. What began as a bold vision has steadily matured into a campus that now serves children, families, communities and even regional systems with measurable impact. Since Overture took control of the campus, we have ensured it continues to meet real needs, shifting from primarily a crisis response approach to developing long-term solutions that prioritize families, strengthen local leadership and reduce dependency on institutions.

Today, Overture continues to lead vital services at the campus hand-in-hand with IBESR—Haiti's child welfare agency. It stands as a tangible example of what real Haitian-led transformation looks like. Children are receiving care and being reunified with families. Parents are being equipped with support and training. Foster families are preparing to step in when needed. And communities are fully engaged as active partners in advancing protection and prevention. As the campus continues its evolution, its reach is expanding beyond individual lives to influence systems, networks and practices across the region. The following indicators highlight how this campus of transformation is making a lasting difference—one child, one family and one community at a time.



EDUCATION

Supports scholarships for children and education for adults to prevent family separation.

1,055

students received full or partial scholarships

12

young adults received vocational, job skills and moral training

70

foster families recruited and trained

193

staff and community members received Safeguarding Policy training



NUTRITION

Provides resources for local food production, creating sustainable food security.

49.3k

meals provided for youth and caregivers in crisis care

88.5k

meals packaged for partner organizations with feeding programs

32.5k

meals packaged and distributed for hurricane response

27k

pounds of rice and beans purchased from local farmers for Diri Lavi packaging



HEALTHCARE

Promotes holistic health and wellness to children and adults regardless of their challenges.

379

children and youth treated at the campus clinic

90

home-health visits to children with special needs

56

cases for emergency assistance intervention

137

psychosocial activity events held for 1,845 children at the campus and 3 other centers



INFRASTRUCTURE

Builds comprehensive infrastructure, ensuring families have the foundations to thrive.

146

salaries funded for Haitian workers

69

local jobs contracted for community projects

34

meetings with child welfare and protection partners

797

adults received health, child care and child protection trainings at our Dory Center

Ashley's journey



Ashley, a 12-year-old Haitian boy living with a chronic illness, was abandoned at an early age by his biological parents because they were unable to care for him adequately. Ashley ended up in the care of an orphanage.

After spending a few years at the orphanage, Ashley faced another tragedy in his life. In early 2023, armed gangs stormed the orphanage, killing several youth in the community and threatening to harm those at the orphanage if they informed authorities about the attack. This event deeply traumatized the children and staff, forcing the evacuation of all 25 children

housed there, including Ashley. That same month, with the assistance of IBESR, Ashley found refuge at the *Community Complex for Child Protection* in Les Cayes operated by Overture and IBESR. Upon arrival, an Overture social worker observed behaviors suggesting significant emotional and developmental issues that were likely a long-term impact of the trauma from his abandonment and the violent events at the orphanage.

At the Complex, Ashley received individualized care to help him overcome the trauma and work towards healing. And, for the first time since he was abandoned, Ashley was given the

opportunity to experience life within a family that loved and cared for him deeply. Through the foster care program for children with special needs developed by Overture and IBESR, a model was designed specifically for children like Ashley who are living with a disability or chronic illness and coming directly out of an orphanage. After months of psychosocial care, Ashley was introduced to his future foster family.

His foster mother welcomed him warmly, marking an important milestone in his young life—**Ashley now has a family and a place where he belongs and is safe.**

In April 2025, Ashley was welcomed by his new foster mother with a true declaration of love...

"Here's my boy, welcome to the family, we don't have the same signature of course, but from now on, you're my son. Now you have a mother, a mother who will be there for you in all circumstances and who will be concerned about your education. At home, you'll also have two big brothers and a father, so you'll be well looked after."

While his integration into his foster family has required patience and sustained effort, particularly in addressing academic and language delays, his foster family has remained deeply committed to his healing. Because he is now living with a family, Ashley's chronic health condition is closely monitored and his treatment carefully followed, enabling him to live a full and productive life. Ashley's integration into the family and community has

been nothing short of miraculous. Ashley is no longer the same wounded, traumatized child who arrived at the Complex in 2023.

Today, he is healthier, filled with confidence and more hopeful than ever before. Ashley's story is a testament to the power of collective investments from donors like you, the commitment of loving foster families and the collaboration of partners like Overture and IBESR. **This is what endurance and transformation look like in southern Haiti.**



FINANCIALS

“ I have become independent thanks to Overture’s Rejuvenation program. In the program, I chose plumbing. I started working in this trade and today I am working at a construction site. The trade I have learned is not only useful to me, but also to my family and my community.”

— PATRICK, Rejuvenation Beneficiary

2025 financials

\$1,050,595

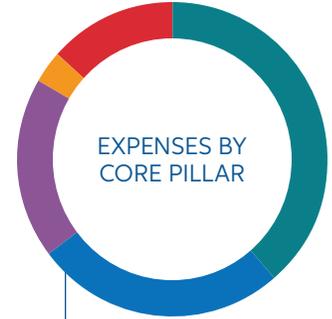
TOTAL
REVENUE



\$1,070,601

TOTAL EXPENSES

Program Support	92%
Fundraising	6%
Administration	2%



EXPENSES BY
CORE PILLAR

Empowerment	38.8%
Education	26.0%
Nutrition	18.6%
Healthcare	3.5%
Infrastructure	13.1%



*For detailed financials, please reference a complete copy of our 990, which will be published on our website by April 30, 2026.



“ Psychosocial activities are vital for a child’s development, offering far more than just a chance to relax. When children collaborate and share, they build self-confidence, learn to manage their emotions and strengthen their relationships with one another. These moments empower them to find a healthy balance between their feelings and behaviors, equipping them with the social and cognitive skills they need to thrive in their communities.”
— **MME. DENIS,**
Overture
Psychologist



“ There is power in partnerships! Even in a country as unstable as Haiti, collaboration and cooperation can and do make a difference. If there is any hope to transform Haiti, it must include Haitians in every process. We’ve already seen the power of partnership in action and are confident that this is just the beginning.”

— EXCERPT FROM
Orphanages Are NOT
The Answer: Booklet 3



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thank you!

To our **1,528** faithful supporters, thank you for your generosity. To our exceptional leadership team and devoted Haitian staff, we honor your courage and steadfast commitment. **This work would not be possible without your collective efforts.** You advance our mission for His glory, and we are deeply grateful.





true *endurance* = true *transformation*

Our friends in southern Haiti have shown that even amid the persistent instability and uncertainty that is so prevalent in their country, real and lasting transformation is possible. **They are the personification of endurance and commitment, overcoming challenges and obstacles that we can only imagine.** But it takes all of us doing our part to ensure this transformational work continues. Because of your support, more children are being protected, more families are intact and more communities are growing stronger through **Haitian-led solutions.**

Over the last several years, we have seen remarkable transformation, from children reuniting with their families to foster families opening their homes to the most vulnerable. From life-saving emergency response to life-changing long-term resilience. However, **we're not at the end of this journey and we need your support to endure through the next season of our work.** That is why your generous investment in Overture and our friends in southern Haiti remains essential. Thank you for standing with us in this Kingdom work as we continue building **Haiti Stronger** together.

Invest in the children, families and communities of Haiti!



LEARN

We prioritize keeping our donors informed and inspired through our monthly blog, bi-monthly emails, various publications and virtual information sessions. Stay connected by signing up for our ongoing communications at www.overture.international.



SHARE

Building an independent Haiti takes us ALL, which is why your help to expand the Overture family is critical. Join us in championing our cause by sharing our mission and programs with your networks. Your support makes a lasting impact!. To learn more, email info@ooihaiti.com.



DONATE

Every donation—whether one-time, monthly or multi-year—plays a crucial role in sustaining our work to protect children and empower Haitians on their path toward self-reliance. To make a financial gift, mail a check to our office or give online at www.overture.international/donate-overture.





“ Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.”

— 1 CORINTHIANS 15:58



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