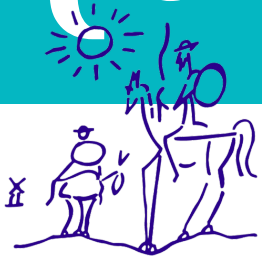


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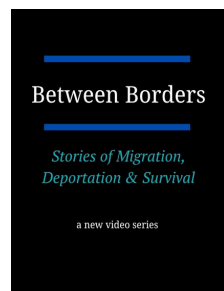
Promoting Justice, Seeking Peace

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Between Borders: Stories of Migration, Deportation & Survival

In March, Quixote Center launched a new video series, *Between Borders*. Working with our partners in Panama and Mexico to identify individuals willing to tell their stories, we are asking why they left, what they hope for, and what happens as they are trying to build their lives while stuck in the in-between space.

As we work for more just immigration policies, we refuse to let these stories remain invisible. By uplifting the real stories of those that are so often forgotten, we hope to build understanding, empathy, and encouragement to stand for justice for migrants, refugees, and those that have been deported. The videos are available on our website, visit: bit.ly/BtwnBorders or scan this QR Code



Socio-Economic Recovery in Haiti

What would a real Haitian-led solution to extreme poverty and food insecurity look like? We designed our programs in the South, in partnership with DCCH (Developpement Communautaire Chretien d'Haiti), with that question in mind. We believe that real support equips communities to reach food sovereignty, pay for the education of their children, meet basic needs for human dignity, and break the cycle of foreign dependence.

DCCH and Quixote Center launched the pilot socio-economic recovery project in January 2025 in Les Cayes. It began with a community consultation process, with interviews and focus groups including over a hundred community members to understand their needs, hopes and dreams. The 2025 pilot reached 100 participant families.



Distribution of corn seeds
in Archambeau

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Key components of the program include:

- **Loans instead of handouts.** Seed and livestock recipients return the same quantity of seed and the first offspring back to the program to reach more farmers in the community.
- **Building cohesion.** To receive livestock, farmers build enclosures to avoid free-roaming animals that damage crops and lead to conflicts amongst neighbors.
- **Support for small commerce.** Mutual Solidarity groups (MUSOs) provide access to small loans that empower Haitian women to start or grow small businesses.
- **One-time investment.** Quixote Center invests funds over two years and then moves to the next community. Recipients are responsible for sustaining their progress.



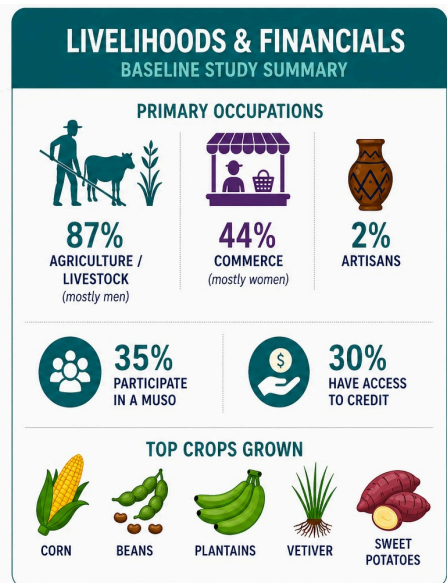
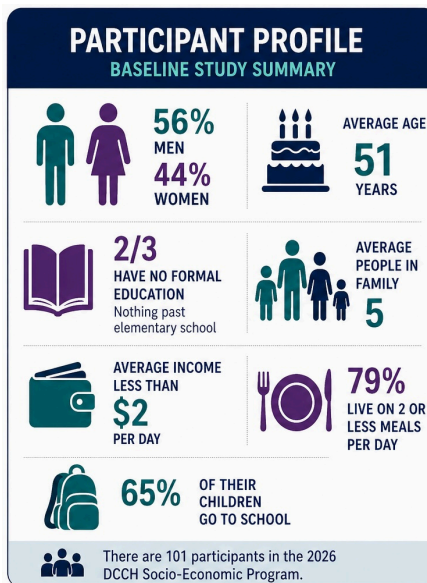
Meeting with new participants in Tricon



Distribution of plantain seedlings in Gouin

Not only is this initiative Haitian-led, it is also data driven. DCCH and Quixote Center are implementing rigorous data collection and analysis to measure the real impact and help guide future decisions. As a result of Quixote Center's insistence on rigorous metrics measuring impact, DCCH is a stronger institution. They recognize the value of having reliable data to validate their work, and are now conducting internal evaluations of their other programs with the same rigor and precision.

After the successful pilot project in 2025, during which 100 farming families from the communities of Gouin and Saint Helene received technical training, increased their crop and animal production, and gained access to small loans, Quixote Center and DCCH are expanding the project in 2026 including 102 new families from the communities of Tricon and Archangeau.



By the end of the year, we hope to achieve the project goals of increasing their production of crops and livestock, investing in small commercial activities and achieving higher household incomes and food security.

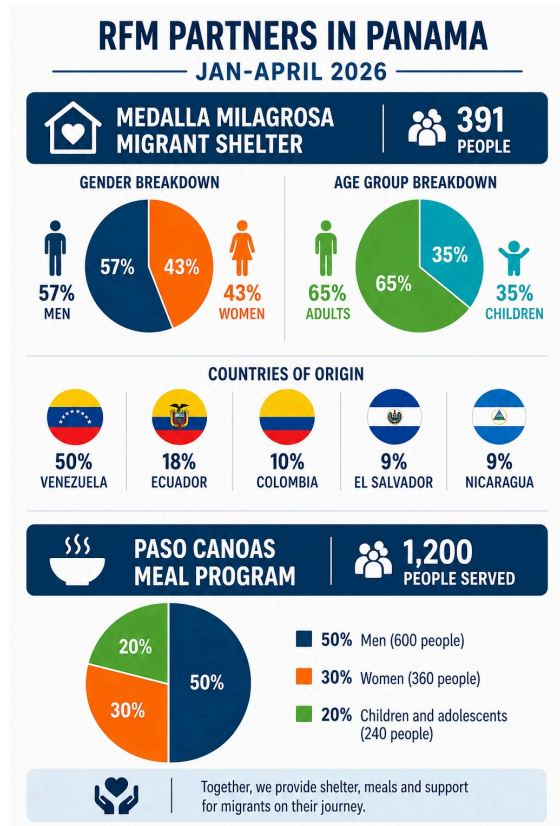
Read the full report here: <https://bit.ly/42dBFMM> or scan the QR code



Human Dignity for Migrants in Panama

In March, Quixote Center traveled to Panama to visit with our partners with the Red Franciscana para Migrantes (Franciscan Network for Migrants or RFM in Spanish). We were inspired after listening to the courageous volunteers at the border with Costa Rica who felt called to act after witnessing countless families and individuals walking along the border, desperately seeking refuge, while being systematically targeted by local authorities. The meal program RFM has run in Paso Canoas for the past 8 years is a testament to their resolve in protecting the rights and dignity of people seeking a better life for themselves and their families. Since January of this year, they have served hot meals to over a thousand migrants and offered them guidance on how to navigate through Panama.

RFM volunteers channel the most vulnerable migrants, the sick, pregnant women and families with young children, to the Medalla Milagrosa shelter in David where guests can stay until they are strong enough to continue their journey. While the migratory context is constantly changing, the love and kindness that the Franciscan family provides to all migrants warms our hearts and encourages us to keep pushing for fair and just US policies. Quixote Center works closely with the Panama team who has responded to every crisis caused by brutal, inhumane and probably illegal measures from US authorities as they externalize their border security to other nations. The act of migrating and seeking asylum is a fundamental human right enshrined in both international and US laws. Thanks to your support we can continue to support RFM's work to protect the integrity of people in migration and hold the US government accountable for their actions.



Shelter Volunteers



Migrants having lunch at RFM's Meal Program in Paso Canoas

Advocacy and the ARMAS ACT

Working to influence government officials in Congress and the administration is one way the Quixote Center supports our partners in Latin America and the Caribbean. We focus on specific priority issues in US policy that impact the people we serve. This year we are focusing on the ARMAS ACT, which will provide better oversight and control over the illegal flow of weapons from the United States that fuels the cartel violence in Haiti, Mexico, and all of Latin America. Thanks to each of you, we have so far generated more than 2,358 letters to Members of Congress to gain additional sponsors for the bill. We are organizing a coalition to sponsor in-person and virtual advocacy days for late September and invite each of you to participate.

Our second priority is to support the refugees, asylum-seekers, TPS-holders and all people who have left their homeland in search of better life and resettled in the United States. We believe we are a better country for their presence. This effort has focused on in-person mobilization and information sharing.

Find information about how to participate our advocacy work in our regular email communications. Check out our fact sheet to learn more: <https://bit.ly/4tLgSfH> or scan the QR code to the right.



Kim Lamberty speaking on the ARMAS act at a Newtown Action Alliance event. You can view the talk here: <https://bit.ly/3P9G6Fg>

Haiti's Internal Displacement Crisis

For more than a year Quixote Center has been supporting the LaChandle Parish Caritas Committee in Gros Morne, Haiti, in its efforts to resettle people displaced from violence in Port-au-Prince and the Artibonite Department. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, our early efforts supported 250 families with emergency funds. Most spent that on food and housing. Because Haiti's children are so vulnerable to gang recruitment, we then paid school tuition to keep 100 children in school, and the parish sponsored a camp for them over the Christmas break. Most recently we provided family stabilization funds for the parents of

those same children, so that they can earn a living and pay for their kids' tuition themselves. Most used the money to create small businesses in the local market. You can view a video from the beneficiaries here: <https://youtube.com/shorts/MgdBjOwZctw?feature=share>



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