



## Rotary District 7690 - Piedmont, North Carolina, USA Service Opportunity Summary

Date: February 1, 2007

**ProjectTitle:** Haiti Free School

**Type:** International Service Project

**ProjectSummary:** Self-sustaining poultry project to provide fresh chicken and eggs to more than 100 underprivileged school children in a poor neighborhood of Port au Prince called Jacquet Tybull.

**ProjectDetails:** The proposal involves launching a self-sustaining poultry project that will provide fresh chicken and eggs on a regular basis to more than 100 school children as well as 50 needy families in a poor neighborhood of Port-au-Prince called Jackquet Tybull. The project will be linked with a free school in the neighborhood run by local volunteers for underprivileged children who otherwise wouldn't be getting an education. The school runs a school lunch program, and is able to obtain rice, beans, corn, oil, and other basic ingredients, but does not have access to meat or eggs. Meanwhile, many poor residents in the neighborhood suffer from malnutrition and cannot afford expensive imported food. The project would provide a constant source of protein and nutrients for the children of Jackquet, and it would make the poorest people in the area more self-sufficient and less dependent on hand-outs. The project would involve purchasing 600 chickens, material for chicken coops, as we

The community has identified land in the community that could be rented for a reasonable price. Nearly all work done on the project after the construction of the chicken coops would be voluntary (it will be necessary to pay a small amount of money to a veterinarian assistant to monitor the health of the chickens periodically). A committee formed by active community members and led by an agronomist will supervise the project, but the beneficiaries (the families and the school children and teachers) will do the work. After the initial investment, the project will be self-sustaining, as new chickens will replace those that are eaten, and ongoing costs (feed, cleaning supplies, paying the veterinarian) will be covered by selling a portion of the chickens. One long term goal is that after participating in the project, individual families will build their own chicken coops to feed their own families, thus opening space for new families to join the project. In addition, there is the possibili

**ProjectTimeConstraints:** 1 month, then on-going

**ProjectSupport:** Clubs that don't have an international project for this year and want or need one.

**WhatCanYouDo:** \$3300 for entire project, or \$500 to participate. Need a total of \$3300 to claim District match and RI match.

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