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## HAITI EARTHQUAKE UPDATE

The people of Haiti have experienced immense hurdles over the past several months. Unrest that has long impacted the country reached new levels a few weeks ago with the assassination of the President. Now a 7.2-magnitude earthquake has shaken the country again, leaving many Haitians injured, without shelter, or afraid to re-enter their homes due to aftershocks. The casualty count continues to rise.

One of the three areas most affected by the earthquake is Petit Trou de Nippes, just 8.4 miles from the epicenter. Prosperity Catalyst launched its beekeeping training program in Petit Trou de Nippes in partnership with CRS and USAID over the last few months. This program serves 300 vulnerable households in the communes of Petit Trou de Nippes, Petite Rivière, and Paillant of Nippes. Based on our initial assessment, the worst impact has been in Petit Trou de Nippes, where the majority of our beneficiaries have either lost their homes or need to make major repairs.



We have thankfully received word that all of Prosperity Catalyst's staff are safe. A number of beneficiaries have suffered injuries, but we have not received word of any deaths. Our team is working closely with beneficiaries to make a complete assessment of the impact.

Our priority is to join a coordinated effort to provide direct support to our network of beneficiaries affected by this earthquake. Based on our assessment, priority needs are tarps, food, water, and hygiene kits. Over time the needs will change to temporary shelters and building repairs.



If you are able, please consider making a donation towards meeting these needs. Our relief will focus on helping our network of beekeepers and their families and then expand to assist others in the communities who are suffering.

*"Just as in 2016, Prosperity Catalyst is ready to work hand in hand with our beneficiaries to rebuild their communities to be stronger and even more resilient. We thank you for helping us make this possible."*

**-Catherine Gibbons  
Executive Director**

