

LAVI PROJECT

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Urgent Relief Appeal: Protecting the Children of Bousol Timoun

Dear Donors, Previous Team Members, Previous Donors, and Friends,

The escalating violence in Haiti has reached a critical breaking point. For two years the **Bousol Timoun Orphanage**, supported by **Lavi Project**, has provided a safe haven for vulnerable children in the Central Plateau near Hinche. Today, that safety has completely eroded. Gang violence has pushed directly into the region, placing the orphans, Franceli and Julie, and their dedicated staff in immediate, life-threatening danger.

We cannot wait for a crisis to strike on their doorstep. To protect these children, we need to act now.

Franceli has identified a secure, suitable property in **Trou du Nord**, a peaceful town located approximately 15 miles southeast of Cap-Haïtien in northern Haiti. This new facility is less expensive than their current location. It has eight bedrooms, a large living area, gated security, and consistent power and running water (which the current property does not have). Moving the orphanage to this northern location will remove the children from the path of active conflict and give them a stable environment where they can grow, continue attending school, and live without constant fear.

To complete this vital emergency relocation, Franceli and Julie will need to pay a 2-year lease up front. The cost of the new location is \$13,000 per year, a cost savings of \$7,000 per year compared to the Hinche location. Lavi Project has had an Emergency Fund here and in Haiti that has been in place in case of an emergency. These funds, along with a recent donation from a former team member, will cover the full amount of the 2-year lease, but it will NOT cover the additional expenses listed below.

A financial gift from you will directly fund:

- **Legal Fees:** Covering required permits, documentation, and property agreements to ensure complete protection.
- **Relocation Expenses:** Safe, secure transport for Franceli, Julie, all the children, staff, and essential supplies across the country
- **Transition home:** for the older orphans

Franceli and Julie, and their Bousol Timoun family desire a life free from the terror of armed violence. With your immediate support, Lavi Project can pull these children out of harm's way and establish a safe haven in Trou du Nord.

How You Can Help:

- **Donate Online:** Visit laviproject.org to make a secure one-time or recurring contribution
- **Mail a Check:** Send your tax-deductible contribution payable to **Lavi Project** (Memo: Bousol Timoun Relocation) to Lavi Project Inc., P.O.Box 2434, Littleton, MA 01460

- **Share Our Cause:** Pass this letter to friends, churches, or community groups who care about helping the children of Haiti.

Expense Breakdown	Target Allocation	Impact
Housing	\$26,000	Safe 2-year lease for the entire orphanage family (covered by Lavi Project)
Legal & Administrative Fees	\$2,500 - \$3,000	Vetted legal agreements and local municipal processing
Transportation to Trou du Nord	\$6,000 - \$12,000	Secure travel through safe routes and essential furniture/setup
Paint & Repairs	\$3,850 - \$4,000	Legal requirement to repaint and repair broken things @ Hinche home
Bunkbeds	\$5,000 - \$10,000	Beds for orphans - if can't take the ones they currently have
Transition House	\$7,000 - \$10,000	New transition house for older orphans currently in Hinche Transition home

Every dollar will bring us closer to securing the resources these children need. Thank you for standing with Bousol Timoun in this hour of great need.

With urgent gratitude,

Bob Bancroft
Founder/CEO

