



Meg Galloway Pearce
Clinton Bush Haiti Fund

Meg Galloway Pearce from the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund Skyped with Ms. Hiner's 5th grade class at Evergreen Country Day School in Colorado. She explained how the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund is funding programs on the ground in Haiti that create jobs, teach skills and help businesses. Another way to think about it is through this saying:

Give a man a fish; you have fed him for today. Teach a man to fish, and you have fed him for a lifetime.

Here, in their own words, is what the students learned from both Ms. Hiner and Ms. Pearce:

Madi: I learned that Clinton Bush Haiti Fund raised 53 million dollars to help Haiti.

Emma: I learned there are 10,000 non-profit organizations in Haiti.

Matthew: The Clinton Bush Haiti Fund is working to build jobs.

Gaby: I learned that 80% of Haitians are unemployed. Instead of sending money, the fund helps to educate Haitians so they can get jobs.

Ben: I found it interesting that President Obama asked President Bush and President Clinton to run the fund. Obama's idea was smart to combine both their smarts and intelligence to create the Clinton Bush Haiti Fund. I examined all the organizations and agree with the ones you chose to invest in.

Heidi: It was fun because we learned about people we want to help. I have lots of good ideas... Maybe you should get biographies of kids in Haiti and get people to sponsor those kids. Last year in 4th grade, we studied Zimbabwe and they had the kids sell dolls with their biographies. We wrote letters back to them and they video chatted with us!

Alexis: I think this organization is helping Haiti because we need to teach Haitians how to do things on their own. They can't rely on us for food, clothes and shelter. I still think we should help them until they go on their own. It is not Haiti's fault or ours, it's nature and what happened in the world.

Chase: The devastating earthquake has killed and seriously injured thousands of Haitians. Your fund will help a lot with what is happening in Haiti and my goal is to rebuild their community economically. I think you two (Presidents Bush and Clinton) are doing a great job down in Haiti. If I were a Haitian you two would be my heroes!

Kyle: I think if your organization helped Haiti with healthcare they would be better off... 7 out of 10 people are unemployed but 9 out of 10 are living without healthcare. It is a lot easier to work if you are healthy.

Andrew: I think we have to focus a little bit more on healthcare and medical supplies.

Gretchen: It is so surprising how Haiti used to be one of the richest countries in the world and now it is the poorest country in the western hemisphere. I really like what your fund is doing for Haiti.

Hannah: I was wondering if we can work together to help people in Haiti that don't have good nutrition. You could teach people how to make quick nutritious foods using plants and other things that are edible.

John: I really think the Haitian people need to be saved. I have an idea that I think you might like. It is called **T.F.T.H.P.** That means **Technology for the Haitian People**. What we do is donate computers to the Haitians. I also thought of one called **S.F.T.C.** It means **Schools for the Children**. I think not a lot of kids in Haiti get education, so we should build schools to stop it.

Gabrielle: Haiti really needs help right now, with many things. Such as food, CLEAN water, and houses, instead of tents, dirty water and barely enough food to survive.

Gaby: I believe just what you believe, giving the people jobs so that they don't have to rely on us to take care of them. Once we stop funding them, I don't want to see them crash again.