2021 AWT Convention Impact Report

With funds raised at the convention, the PWW team in Haiti has been able to support the implementation of critical safe water tools and the provision of essential sanitation and hygiene education among families and in schools located in the underserved region of Limonade, Haiti.

The Limonade region has no established water or sanitation infrastructure; community members are not proficient in safe hygiene practices. PWW is collaborating with local government, community leaders, and community groups to change this reality.

Thanks to funding from AWT, this year, the PWW team in Haiti was able to establish a critical community-based program, the Community Education Program (CEP) in Limonade. This community-driven program involves PWW training and supporting local community leaders (referred to as Lead Community Agents – *pictured right*) to serve as WASH paraprofessionals. Trained LCAs deliver WASH messages and reinforce healthy practices among members of their communities in order to advance the ownership, efficacy and sustainability of the safe water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) programs.

As a result of the CEP launch this year, trained LCAs have:

- Delivered three (3) training sessions, each of which contain multiple workshops.
  - Reached 177 individuals in Pistère, a community in Limonade.
  - Initiated training among 196 individuals who live in Deréal and Campeche, communities located in Limonade.
- Collaborated with PWW Haiti team to host community education events in celebration of Global Handwashing Day and World Toilet Day.

PWW was also able to host a deworming campaign in Pistère, reaching 1,200 residents. The campaign included the distribution of anti-parasitic medicine, administered by PWW's partner Soaring Unlimited Medical Clinic, to the 1,200 individuals to remove existing parasites, worms, and intestinal pathogens that may be residing in their bodies as a result of drinking and using contaminated water. This process supports the elimination of existing intestinal illnesses and enables the individuals to have a clean system, which they are empowered to protect thanks to reliable access to safe water and the acquired knowledge of safe and healthy hygiene practices.

**Pictured: Junior Seraphin (far right), PWW WASH Training Coordinator, with LCAs who helped promote and manage the campaign.*

Programs implemented in 2022 have empowered families and students with the knowledge to protect their primary water source(s) and keep their filtered water safe from re-contamination. They have learned how to improve their sanitation management and safely dispose of waste. They have also learned critical hygiene practices, including personal hygiene, handwashing and menstrual hygiene management, to protect their health and the health of their community.

Support from AWT and its members make this impactful work possible, enabling families and school communities to gain critical, reliable access to safe water and sanitation tools and essential hygiene knowledge, creating a foundation for vastly improved health and opening doors to future opportunities.