

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

JULY 2012 - DECEMBER 2012

SECTION 1: PROJECT SUMMARY

PROJECT NAME: Creation of a Human financing model for higher education in Haiti

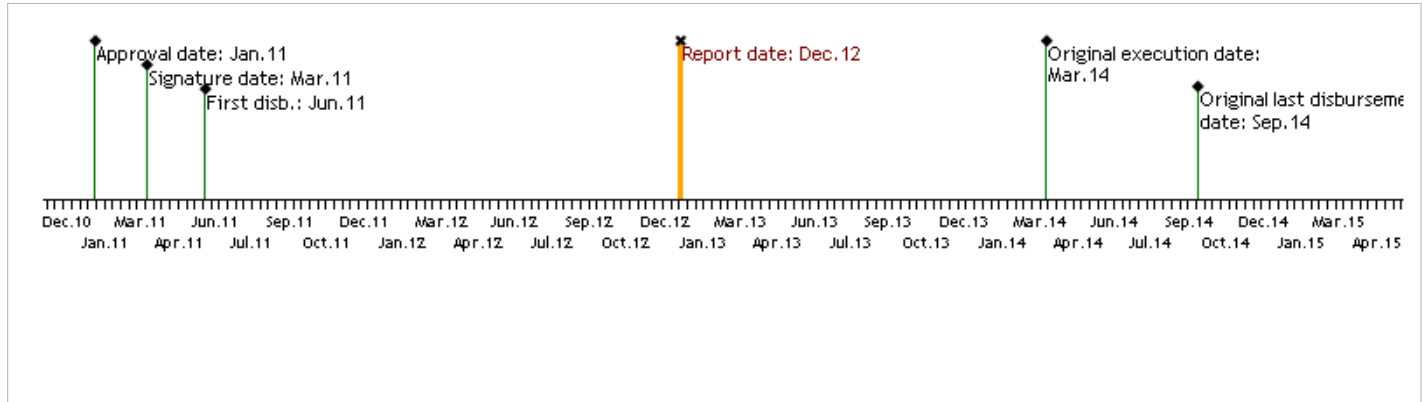
Project Number: HA-M1030 - Operation Number: ATN/ME-12633-HA

Purpose: The purpose of the project is to create a replicable and scalable model based in a sustainable financial mechanism. that provides access to higher education.

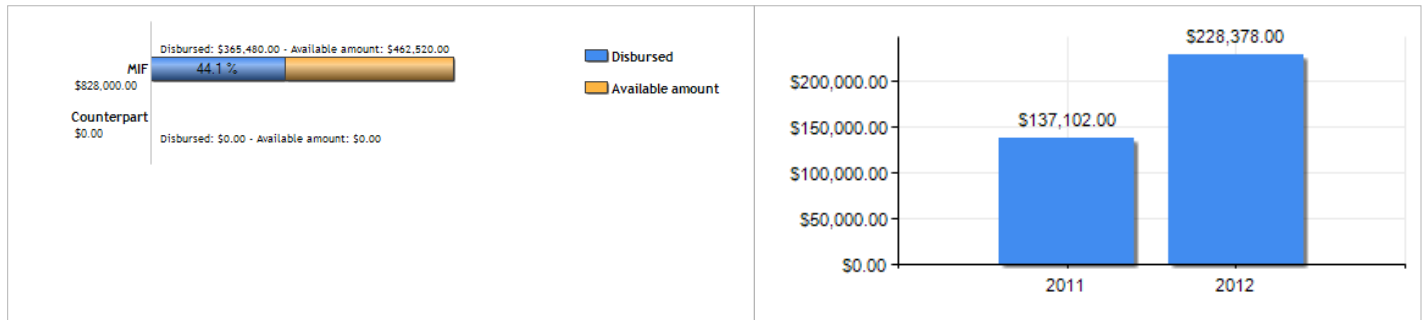
Country Administrator HAITI	Beneficiary Country HAITI	Group WSD - Worker Skills Development	Subgroup YTRG - Youth Training
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Executing Agency: HAITIAN EDUCATION AND LEADERSHIP PROGRAM	Design Team Leader: Buenadicha, Cesar
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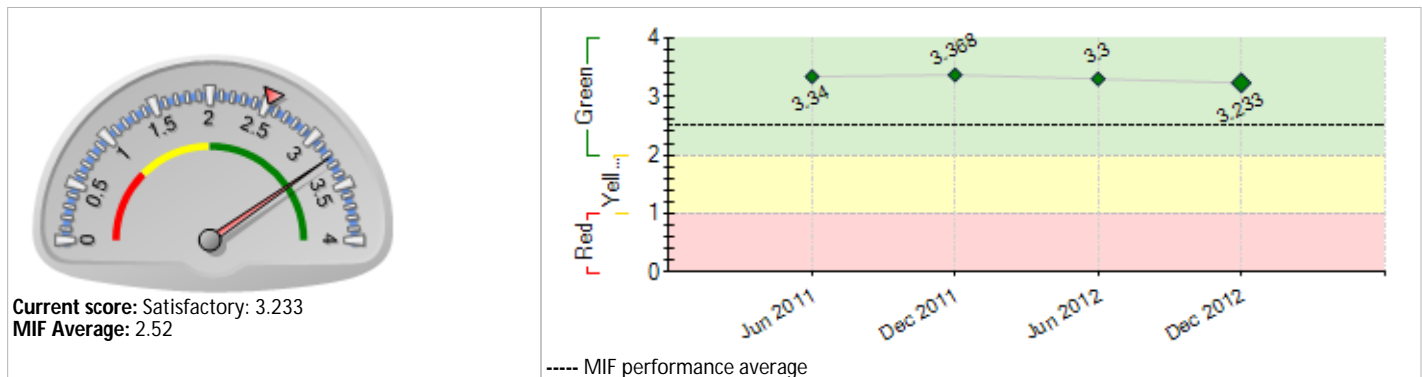
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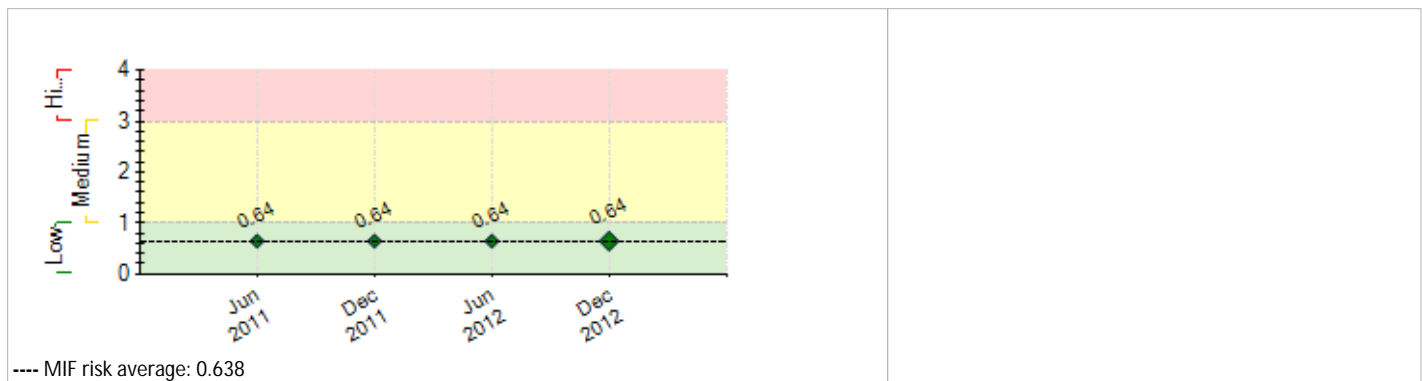
PERFORMANCE SCORE



EXTERNAL RISKS

INSTITUTIONAL CAPACITY

	Risk
Financial Management:	Medium
Procurement:	Low
Technical Capacity:	Medium



SECTION 2: PERFORMANCE

Summary of project performance since inception

- 81 students have signed the ACM contract committing to contribute 15% of their wages for 9 years following graduation. Challenges: HELP had expected to have more students enter the program this year through a program with the Prime Minister's office, however the program was never formally approved. Risk: This setback combined with the initial challenges with student contracts within the initial cohorts means that HELP will fall short of its March 2013 intermediate goal of 90 students and will not likely reach the overall target of 150 by the end of March 2014. Action to be taken: HELP will approach IDB project team to propose revising this target based on current conditions.
- Since signing the contract 5 (6%) students have left the program either for personal reasons or because they failed to meet educational requirements for HELP.
- Of the 44 eligible alumni as of Dec 6th, 91% are currently employed and 80% are employed in Haiti.
- Of the 52 HELP graduates, 100% are part of the alumni network.
- Job placement strategy is in place and 14 local companies and organizations, such as Barbancourt, CARE and Ayiti Nexus have completed the perspective employment forms and several others have been in touch regarding interns and available graduates including E-Power, BRANA and Digicel.
- Since FY10, HELP has increased its donor support by 43% (not including IDB funding) and the number visitors to HELP's website (www.uhelp.net) has increased 12% over the last 11-month period.

Comments from the Supervision Team Leader

Agree with the Executing Agency comments

The project seem on track to meet its goal. HELPr has exceeded target set for several milestones. During the reporting period the project overcome more challenges i.e. the hiring of the project Manager and the ACM assistant. The project is successful promoting the ACM model abroad increasing the donor support by 43 %. Job placement strategy is also working well, 14 local companies are collaborating with the project offering internships and jobs to HELPr graduates. The sustainability of the project is highly probable.

Summary of project performance in the last six months

- Both the Alumni Contribution Model (ACM) Manager and the ACM Assistant were recruited and hired during this period, overcoming a major challenge for the program as reported in the last period.
- The Advising Manual, Student Services Evaluation and the Job Placement Strategy documents were finalized during this time frame.
- Two group meetings (July and October) and 7 individual meetings (December) were held with HELP alumni. Twenty alumni (38% of current alumni) attended at least one meeting during this time.
- The impact assessment baseline study has been completed by FONKOZE and a draft report has been submitted. The finalized report will be completed by the end of February.
- The ACM model was presented in July 2012 at the National Association of Haitian Professionals symposium in New Jersey entitled "Envisioning a New Future: the Advantages, Challenges and Opportunities of Enhancing Education and Investment Opportunities." plus two are scheduled during the next reporting period.

Comments from the Supervision Team Leader

Agree with the Executing Agency comments

see comments above

SECTION 3: INDICATORS AND MILESTONES

Indicators	Baseline	Intermediate 1	Intermediate 2	Intermediate 3	Planned	Achieved	Status
Purpose: The purpose of the project is to create a replicable and scalable model based in a sustainable financial mechanism that provides access to higher education.	P.I1 At the end of the project: A pioneer sustainable mechanism for financing higher education for low-income students (ACM model) has been created in Haiti that paired to HELPr experience formed a replicable and scalable model and has provided access to higher education to 150 low-income students.	0			1 Mar 2012	0 Aug 2011	
	P.I2 The attrition rate of the program is below 10%	0			9 Mar 2014	6 Dec 2012	
Component 1: I. Design and implement the Alumni Contribution Model Weight: 50% Classification: High Satisfactory	C1.I1 At the end of the project: 1 fully tested financing mechanism is completely operational.	0			1 Mar 2014	0 Dec 2011	On Course
	C1.I2 At the end of the project: 150 students financed under the ACM model.	0 Mar 2012	45 Mar 2013	90 Mar 2013	150 Mar 2014	81 Dec 2012	Delayed
Component 2: II. Strengthen the current student services, create an alumni network and develop a job placement system Weight: 15%	C2.I1 At the end of the project: 95% of the new graduate students become members of the alumni network.	0 Mar 2012	70 Mar 2012		95 Mar 2014	100 Dec 2012	On Course
	C2.I2 At the end of the project: At least 20 employers join the job placement system of HELPr.	0			20 Mar 2014	14 Dec 2012	On Course

Classification: High Satisfactory

Component 3: III. Reinforce fundraising capabilities

Weight: 25%

Classification: Satisfactory

C3.11	At the end of the project: HELPR supporters within USA increase in at least 20%	0	10			20	43	Finished
			Mar 2013			Mar 2014	Jul 2012	
C3.12	At the end of the project: At least 2 social investors invest in the financial mechanism.	0				2	3	Finished
						Mar 2014	Mar 2012	

Component 4: IV. Knowledge management and communication strategy of the initiative

Weight: 10%

Classification: Satisfactory

C4.11	At the end of the project: A case study of the model is developed and disseminated	0				1	0	On Course
						Mar 2014	Jan 2012	
C4.12	At the end of the project: The HELPR financial mechanism has been presented in at least 4 national or international seminars or conferences.	0				4	3	On Course
						Mar 2014	Dec 2012	

Milestones		Planned	Due Date	Achieved	Date achieved	Status
M0	Conditions Prior	4	Sep 2011	4	May 2011	Achieved
M1	Job placement system developed for program graduates	1	Mar 2013	1	Dec 2012	Achieved
M2	Attrition rate of the program	9	Mar 2013	22	Mar 2012	Achieved
M3	Cumulative amount of the Capital development funds created in USD	325000	Mar 2013	302627	Dec 2012	
M4	[*] Financial mechanism designed and implemented	1	Sep 2013	0	Dec 2012	
M5	[*] Capital development Funds created	1	Sep 2013	0	Dec 2012	
M6	Cumulative number of students financed under the HCC model	120	Mar 2014	81	Dec 2012	
M7	Number of new social investors who invest in the financial mechanism	2	Mar 2014	3	Mar 2012	Achieved
M8	% of graduated who have a formal job	90	Mar 2014	97	Mar 2012	Achieved

[*] Indicate that the milestone has been reformulated

CRITICAL ISSUES THAT HAVE AFFECTED PERFORMANCE

[None reported in this period]

SECTION 4: RISKS

MOST IMPORTANT RISKS AFFECTING FUTURE PERFORMANCE

	Level	Mitigation action	Responsible
1. The political and macroeconomic situation in Haiti is not altered.	Medium	N/A	Project Guest
2. Favorable labor market conditions facilitate continued high employment rates for higher education graduates.	Low	Maintain contact with employers	Project Guest

PROJECT RISK LEVEL: Low **TOTAL NUMBER OF RISKS:** 4 **IN EFFECT RISKS:** 2 **NOT IN EFFECT RISKS:** 2 **MITIGATED RISKS:** 0

SECTION 5: SUSTAINABILITY

Likelihood of project sustainability after project completion: HP - Highly Probable

CRITICAL ISSUES THAT MAY AFFECT PROJECT SUSTAINABILITY

[None reported in this period]

Actions related to sustainability which will be or have been implemented:

HELP is currently in the process of establishing a Haitian foundation that will receive the contributions of HELP alumni that will support future HELP scholars.

SECTION 6: PRACTICAL LESSONS

[No lessons learned added yet.]