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- **Economic Development** – Empowering future generations through business opportunities (Chicken Coops)
- **Physical Development** – addressing the immediate nutrition needs of children (6.25 Project)
- **Spiritual Development** – impacting eternal destiny by sharing the Gospel with a lost and hurting world

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**The Physical Development 6.25 Project**
For $6.25 a month, animal protein can be added to the diets of malnourished kids. Children fed diets containing animal protein show improved physical growth and cognitive function. With 2/3rds of the children in Haiti being malnourished, the need for relief is real.

Poultry is purchased from KORE farmers and donated to children in need of nutrition intervention. This focused approach helps sustain poultry production and is a means to intervening in child malnutrition. It alleviates conditions caused by extreme poverty and improves overall food security for families and communities throughout Haiti.


This is not another child sponsorship program. It’s NOT a hand out. Our purpose is to provide opportunities for Haitians to overcome poverty, not simply to endure it... to become self-sustaining so they can have hope... to overcome poverty and hunger for a lifetime.

*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. -Matthew 25:35*

**Economic Development**
KORE offers innovative business opportunities using agricultural development as a vehicle to promote food security, educational opportunity, economic development and community health.

KORE provides small holder farmers with the opportunity to start their own businesses by providing a small business loan. Haitians actively participate in the economic system as they learn to run their business, manage their investment and repay their loan. Continued education, catastrophic insurance, oversight by our farm extension agents, ethical business management, marketing assistance and personal finance guidance all work together to facilitate long-term success for the people of Haiti. Principles of Biblical stewardship are also included in our training programs. Regional processing and service centers are being opened to support farmers so they can move from subsistence farming to commercial farming.

Unlike relief dollars that are given, spent and must be replenished, dollars invested in economic development, or “business as ministry”, never stop working.

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Starting with the careful selection of an appropriate at-risk location, we work with local church leadership, NGO’s, missions, and communities, to identify potential clients with strong moral and ethical characteristics combined with economic need.

KORE partners with Christianville & FISH Ministries to provide on-the-ground agricultural support, and has recently launched a consumer brand of chicken in Haiti, providing a market for these smallholder farmers.

The average coop partner increases their annual income 2-3 times in the first year, and by the time a loan is paid back, it often results in a 400 percent growth. The $3,000 investment transforms into a value that is immeasurable as it is endlessly recycled.

Poultry production is globally recognized as an effective tool to address the key challenges facing the world’s poorest communities. KORE’S model has the potential to expand and change the landscape of impoverished Christian people in Haiti and other chronically poor locales.

**Spiritual Development**

KORE believes that physical and economic development can be part of a ministry focused on the spiritual wellbeing of the poor. Jesus acknowledged economic realities in his ministry. (Luke 4:16-30) He offered care for both the physical and the spiritual person. (Matthew 4:23) The Great Commission (Matthew 28:16-20) and the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-39) suggest a seamless harmony for the church. KORE believes we can craft a single strategy to wrestle for the souls of men and champion a solution for the plight of the poor.

James wrote (2:15-16) “Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes or daily food. If one of you says to him, ‘Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,’ but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it?”

When James offered the next verse, “... faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead”, he was referencing the Christian's response to poverty. **KORE believes it is legitimate spiritual work when we pursue sustainable poverty alleviation along with the presentation of the Gospel.**

KORE's Campus Pastor, Raymond Pierre-Louis, leads a ministry focused on the whole person. He directs discipleship training for Small Holder families and responds to opportunities to present the Gospel message through their community relationships.

In cooperation with partner organizations and 6.25 Feeding Ministry recipients, KORE has designed outreach opportunities to share the Gospel in communities where we minister. **There are many great opportunities for short-term mission teams to get involved. You can work with KORE to share the story of Christ and show the love of Jesus in service to the poor.**

Most of us believe it is appropriate for the church to respond to extreme poverty. The decision we face is between continuing emergency-driven relief efforts or investing in sustainable solutions. It’s a choice between giving more hand-outs or offering brothers and sisters a way out of their poverty. KORE ministry is about offering the dignity of self-reliance as an act of faith. We believe pursuing sustainable solutions to extreme poverty is an appropriate ministry along with evangelism and discipleship.