



Collège Saint Jean Baptist de La Salle

PROJECT
Pad Project

A partnership between the administration at Collège Saint Jean Baptist de La Salle in Port au Prince, Haiti, La Salle University in Pennsylvania and the District of Eastern North America (DENA) brought Lasallian Women of Hope to Collège Saint Jean Baptist de La Salle in March 2021.

Collège Saint Jean Baptist de La Salle was established by the Brothers of the Christian Schools following the devastating January 12, 2010, earthquake that took the lives of over 200,000 Haitians. The school opened its doors to 83 students in October 2012 and currently serves over 800 students pre-K through grade nine. Since the opening of the school, DENA ministries have been engaged in the school's mission through visits, mission trips and the annual Advent Haiti Appeal, which has raised over \$200,000 since 2012.

La Salle University School of Nursing has established an ongoing relationship with the school and the Women and Children's Health and Nutrition Center. As of April 2021, the center is closed due to the ongoing violence in Haiti. The hope is that the closure is only temporary. With the closure, the Sisters have returned to their home countries, making the need for the Pad Program at the school even more necessary. The hope for the future is to establish a health education program for the students at the school to complement the Pad Project.

Through Lasallian Women of Hope, the Pad Project will support the over 100 female students at the school who would be of age to benefit from this initiative.

“Our goal is to provide monthly funds to Haiti so that personal female hygiene items, primarily sanitary napkins, can be purchased by the school nurse and distributed as needed to the many female students. This will allow the girls to attend school and keep up much more effectively with their schoolwork.”

—Dr. Rhonda Hazell, project coordinator

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