



## August Newsletter

Dear Friend,

You can empower a community. You can change the world!

### Raising Haiti Foundation's 3Legs Program Empowers Rural Communities

Just as a stool needs three legs, equally important, in order to stand, there are three critical components to our 3Legs program:



Your support allows us to conduct our 3Legs pilot project in six communities.

You are helping make a difference in the lives of many!

[Learn more at our new website!](#)

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### Meet Odel



As one of our nineteen 3Legs scholarship students, Odel just earned a business management degree at the University of Fondwa! Now he is in a six-month microcredit internship preparing to return to his home community as its microcredit loan officer, providing loans to women farmers.

Generous donors like you are enabling students like Odel to receive advanced education, internships, and jobs which enrich rural communities!

[Become a FRIEND of 3Legs by donating just \\$30.00/month](#) and join in the drive to empower Haitians to lift up their communities!

## 3Legs Community to Become a Cotton Hub in Haiti



Sarrazins, a community in our 3Legs pilot project, is launching a Tree Currency program run by Raising Haiti Foundation's (RHF) partner, Smallholder Farmers Alliance (SFA). A tree nursery is being built in Sarrazins and farmers who work in the nursery earn "tree currency" that can be redeemed for crop seeds, farming tools, livestock, and training.

The program not only improves the environment, increases food security, and emphasizes the empowerment of women, a 2015 study shows that participating farmers increase their income an average of 50%!

An exciting component of the Sarrazins Tree Currency program is its emphasis on reintroducing cotton in the area after a 30-year period of non-production. SFA has signed an agreement with Timberland, which will purchase millions of dollars worth of cotton annually, benefitting the hundreds of participating farm families. All this is possible through the generosity of an RHF board member.

You can spearhead similar opportunities for other Haitian communities by becoming an RHF community twinning leader. [Learn how.](#)

*Thank you for your love for the people of Haiti.  
Thank you for your support of rural community development in Haiti.  
You are playing a part in empowering the citizens of entire communities.  
You are transforming the world.  
Thank you!*