

Lascahobas, February 25, 2018

Dear Sacred Heart Friends,

It is always a great joy for me to write to you, in order to share with you certain events happening in our town of Lascahobas in Haiti, and for which we are proud of.

In February of this year, the Lascahobassian population benefited from an important project which is the inauguration of a library.

The realization of this project in Lascahobas was possible thanks to the pro-Lascahobassian group, composed of young students who had just won the "youth perspective" competition in the "education" category.

This competition, realized on the theme "solve problems, create your job" was organized by Diagnostik Group in partnership with GRICH (Haiti Research, Innovation and Creativity Group) thanks to **the support of the US Embassy**.

After winning this competition, these young students have implemented in our beloved city, the realization of this project and on February 16, 2018, with the help of God, the official launch of the library called Anténor FIRMIN (former Haitian historian and writer) took place.

During this solemn ceremony, there were the presence of several professors and directors of Lascahobas schools, as well as the presence of Mr. Fritz ANDRE Pedagogical Director of Saint Gabriel High School, Mr. Noël BOLTAIRE Director of the Lycée Lascahobas, not forgetting the delegation of schools of the city, such as the Jacques Stephen Alexis High School, the Saint Gabriel High School, the Saint Esprit School, the National High School Salnave Zamor and many others.

The Antenor FIRMIN library has a whole series of programs:

- the reading club for students in the first two basic cycles, the third cycle and the secondary level
- volunteering to sensitize, motivate and invite young people from Lascahobas to participate in the management of the library
- tutoring to increase the knowledge of the most intelligent students and to support the students, having gaps in some subjects
- Literacy to accompany older adults who cannot read nor write

I will conclude in outlining the importance of this library, intended for all school children and students lascahobassiens.

It is time for me to thank the God of the universe and all the initiators, who contributed to the realization of this great dream, intended for all the Lascahobassian community and region.

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