

For the Joy of Reading

Raising funds to help Haitian students learn to read

Future Forward for Haiti, Inc.

Imagine you do not know how to read.

Nor did your parents. Nor can you help your children learn. That is the actual situation for most adults in Haiti. They see very few books, have no access to either information or fiction from the rest of the world, and cannot write down their thoughts or plans.

Future Forward for Haiti, Inc. is a grassroots non-profit organization working to change that. For the last



10 years, we have partnered with three Light and Peace Missions in remote mountain villages in Haiti, primarily to support education. **Now we need your help because the children in our Haitian schools need new textbooks.**

This is an Annual Need. In addition to lack of books, there is no money for paper, so the schools use workbooks, which must be replaced each year. On average, a set of books for each student costs about \$30.

Knowing how much you gain from reading, would you pay it forward to help Haitian kids learn to read so they can keep reading and master their other subjects as well?

Please follow the next page and put aside a little bit each day for a month. Then go to FutureForwardforHaiti.org/needs/ to give online or write a check for the total. Checks can be written to **Future Forward for Haiti, Inc** and mailed to **Bert Minerley, 75 Stockton Street, Hillsdale NJ 07642**. It feels so good to pay it forward and make a lifelong difference for others.

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Day	Where would we be without reading? Please share this joy forward to Haitian students.	Today's gift
1	Do you remember the teacher who taught you to read? Give \$1 to honor her/him.	
2	How many books are you currently reading? Give 25 cents for each.	
3	In how many languages can you read? Give \$1 for each.	
4	Is there a public library in your city? Give \$1, or \$2 if you use it regularly.	
5	How many formats do you use? (ie. paper, e-reader, computer, phone) Give 25 cents for each.	
6	Can you read music? Give according to that pleasure.	
7	Can you follow a map? If so, give \$1; give \$2 if you must use GPS.	
8	Give 1 cent for each book you own. Estimate if necessary.	
9	Do you own a computer? Give \$1 for the ease it affords you in gathering info & communicating.	
10	Do have a job for which you must be literate? Give \$1, thankful for the wealth your skills allow.	
11	Have you checked your email today? Give 10 cents for each email you wrote yesterday.	
12	Did your parent read to you? Give \$1 in gratitude for that good start.	
13	Do you have a child with whom you can read? Give \$1 for joy in each.	
14	Do you read and write text messages? Give 1 cent cents for each text you wrote yesterday.	
15	As you drive, can you read the road signs? If so, give 50 cents.	
16	Can you read a recipe? Give 50 cents if you can.	
17	Do you read some news each day? If so, give 50 cents.	
18	Do you look forward to reading on vacation? Give according to that pleasure.	
19	Do you have special glasses for reading? Give 25 cents per pair.	
20	Do you know anyone who cannot read? Imagine what life would be like.	
21	Can you add a column of numbers? Give \$1.	
22	Can you complete a standard medical form? 50 cents, please.	
23	Can you read your holy scriptures? Priceless.	
24	Did you ever go to a place where you could <i>not</i> read street signs (or anything else)? Give \$1.	
25	Can you do math sufficient to your needs? Give \$1 in gratitude for numeracy as well as literacy.	
26	Can you read and follow safety instructions. Give \$1, and stay safe.	
27	Did you ever receive a love letter? Give \$1.	
28	Do you keep "To Do" lists? Give a dime for each plan for today.	
29	Do you keep a stack of books you want to read soon? Give a nickel for the joy of anticipating each.	
30	TOTAL: Please send your total gift as directed on the back of this page. So many thanks from Haiti!	