



May 1, 2012

Greetings Friends and Supporters,

As spring blossoms color and hope around us, I want to update you on TRI's most recent program in Haiti.

We conducted the second in the 6-training series requested by The URAMEL Center for Psycho Trauma. This *Movement & Creative Arts Therapies* Train-the-Trainers program for all of the clinicians of the Psycho Trauma Center, Haiti's premiere mental health provider, continues to serve survivors of not only the earthquake, but of floods, community violence, domestic violence and rape. Services are provided at no cost when necessary. As funding into Haiti reduces, and larger I/NGO's scale down their programs, the need for such Haiti-centric, invited-by-local-programs trainings and support only increases.

This program is being manualized so that those trained can continue to train others without outside support. Thus far, we have trained 55 people in the introductory program and 30 people are enrolled in the ongoing program.

After the emergency phased ended, TRI scaled its programs in Haiti down to two specific projects that comprise our *Ke Ansamn* ("Hearts Together") mission. Along with this training program, we have also been asked by The URAMEL Center for Psycho Trauma to take the technical lead on a community-based prevention program, that will train and support community and spiritual leaders throughout Haiti to prepare their communities for future disasters, including provision of counseling and support services—which are currently non-existent.

TRI also held a fundraiser at Bucknell University, in Lewisburg, PA, in mid-April. TRI's Director, Amber Gray, who is an alumna of Bucknell University, was a resident professor for the week and taught Haiti-focused classes for the departments of Psychology, Dance, Language, Cultural Anthropology, Management, and International Relations. She also delivered a keynote address for the Halos for Haiti banquet fundraiser and held several special classes and discussions about post-earthquake Haiti. This fundraiser raised \$3400.00 for our *Ke Ansam* programs.

And, we are still fundraising for Haiti. Your donation will support these innovative, community-based, exciting training and capacity building initiatives. 100 percent of

donations go to training, supplies and logistical support for local community and spiritual leaders, lay counselors, first responders, health professionals and trained psychologists, who will be trained, empowered and supported to work collaboratively throughout Haiti as the leaders of a truly Haiti-centric mental health program.

Photos of the April 2012 training will soon be available on our website, [www.restorativresources.net](http://www.restorativresources.net).

Financial assistance at any level would be greatly appreciated and 100% tax deductible. Please go to [www.restorativresources.net](http://www.restorativresources.net), TRI link, to make donations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Amber Gray', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Amber Elizabeth Gray, Director  
Trauma Resources International