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## **Saint Rock Haiti Foundation Announces *29 Day Virtual Hike to School Fundraiser* to raise money for education programs in Haiti**

**Milton, MA** — On November 26th, 2020, the Saint Rock Haiti Foundation (SRHF) begins the *29 Day Virtual Hike to School Fundraiser*. Anywhere and anytime between Thanksgiving and Christmas, participants will celebrate the giving season with a walk, hike, or run that's 10 miles, 20,000 steps or 200 flights of stairs to raise \$15,000 for Saint Rock Haiti Foundation's education programs.

Registration for individuals or teams is **free** and can be reached by going to [saintrock.org/29-day-hike-to-school](https://saintrock.org/29-day-hike-to-school). Everyone who raises a minimum of \$50 will receive a free SRHF ribbed beanie. There is a map of each of our supported schools in Haiti including the distance between them. Participants can choose to virtually “visit” each school as their goal or just choose one or more.

SRHF supports the work of five schools in and around the Saint Rock, opening doors to children for whom education would otherwise be out of reach. As the average income in Haiti is \$300 a year, it is very difficult and often impossible for parents to pay for tuition, uniforms, books, and supplies needed to attend school. Funds raised by the 29 Day Hike to School will be used to ensure that any child who would like to attend school will be given that chance.

Jocelyn Bresnahan, DNP, President and CEO of SRHF expressed her gratitude for the generosity of hikers when she said, “A donation opens worlds of opportunity for Haitian children that would have never been possible otherwise. Together we can make a difference in the life of a child, a community, and the country as a whole.”

Students who walk to school follow winding, rocky paths up steep hills that would be classified as highly difficult hikes when accounting for elevation gain. The virtual hike will simulate the trek to and from school, participants can choose to complete all at once, or spread out over 29 days.

One of the most important factors in long term improved health is education. Saint Rock Haiti Foundation hopes the hike will engage more supporters to actively create a brighter future for children in need.

For more information about SRHF, visit [www.saintrock.org](http://www.saintrock.org)

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