



ASSOCIATION DES OUANAMINTHAIS

PRESS KIT

Association Des Ouanaminthais (ADO) is a nonprofit organization devoted to serve the people of Ouanaminthe and surrounding areas through health, education, stewardship and cultural development.



OUR MISSION

To serve the people of Ouanaminthe and surrounding areas through health, education, stewardship and cultural development.

OUR VISION

To connect and aid the town of Ouanaminthe through creative measures and charitable donations.

To build a bridge between the diaspora and the people of Ouanaminthe.

OUR VALUES

We strive to teach and exemplify love, respect, integrity, solidarity, collaboration and excellence.

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Ouanaminthe is located in the Nord-Est, or North East department of Haiti along the northern border with the Dominican Republic to the East. It has an area of 1,805 km² and a population of 300,493 people (2003).

The capital of this department is Fort-Libertè which was founded by the French in 1578. It is home to many historic sites.

The department is divided into four arrondissements: Fort-Libertè; Ouanaminthe; le Trou-du-Nord; and Vallières.



OUR STORY

During the summer of 1997, the idea came to Iramene Florival & Duly Clermont to put together an association to help their hometown, Ouanaminthe, Haiti.

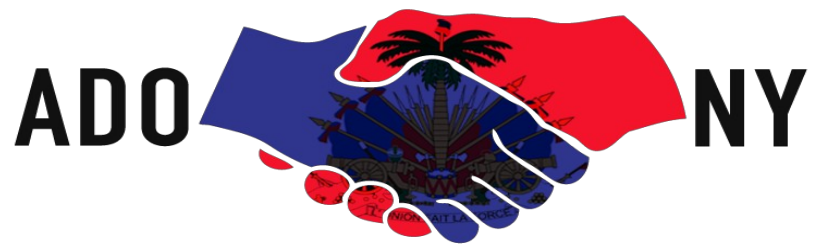
On October 10th of that same year, a meeting was held at Mrs. Florival's house at the research of a name for the association. Many names were proposed but only one touched the hearts of many and Association Des Ouanaminthais (ADO) was agreed upon.

The Association Des Ouanaminthais (ADO) was later registered with the State of Albany, and the board of directors were nominated. The first members nominated were Ms. Josie Pierre-Raymond as President and Mr. Dudley Pierre as Vice President. The organization broke ground in June 1998, on our first General Assembly where we presented the appointed officers to the general public.

In 1999 elections were held and as a result Mr. Sylvio Etienne was named President; and Yvon Jean, Vice President.

In early 2000, ADO became a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, registered under # 11-3509001. During our second General Assembly in May of the same year held at The Flamboyant Night Club, we had our membership drive, to recruit new members.

In 2006, Yvon Jean was nominated President, and Jean-Eddy Houanche, Vice President. They held these positions until 2011 when Darnel Abellard was elected President, and Jocelyn Pierre-Azor; Vice President.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS



PRESIDENT
Darnel Abellard



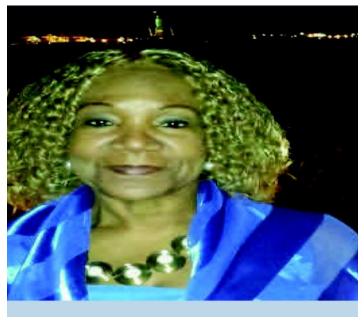
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