

# Towards City-Wide Sanitation: Growing a Transformative Sanitation Service in Haiti



#### WHAT WE'RE UP AGAINST

The world is experiencing an **UNPRECENDENTED SANITATION CRISIS** with more than half of the world lacking access to a toilet that safely manages human waste. As water sources become increasingly polluted from human waste, the earth's soil nutrients have been rapidly declining, leading to extreme vulnerability to climate-related risks, reduced agricultural production, poverty, and malnutrition.

**In Haiti,** only 30% of the population has access to improved sanitation and less than 1% of wastes are safely treated, leading to one of the highest rates of childhood diarrhea globally.

As cities expand at staggering rates, it's critical that the sanitation sector develops innovative approaches that work in dense urban areas to avoid exacerbating the toil of preventable waterborn disease.

SOIL is scaling up our local-optimal, off-grid, sanitation solution across urban communities in Northern Haiti.

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#### **ABOUT SOIL**

Since 2006, SOIL has been expanding access to safe, affordable, and dignified sanitation services in some of Haiti's most vulnerable urban communities. SOIL currently provides lifesaving sanitation to over 19,000 people through our house hold sanitation service and safely treats 100% of the waste collected from the households; in turn transfroming the waste into more than 250+ tons of nutrient packed compost annually through our regenerative waste treatment.

#### **IMPROVED SANITATION**

#### 19,000+ PEOPLE

WITH ACCESS TO SOIL'S DIGNIFIED, GROWING URBAN SANITATION SERVICE.

#### **ECONOMIC GROWTH**

#### 85+ PEOPLE

PROVIDED WITH DIGNIFIED LIVELIHOODS IN THE FORMAL SANITATION SECTOR.

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH**

#### 1,300+ TONS OF WASTE

REMOVED ANNUALLY FROM DENSE URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS, PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF WATERBORNE DISEASE AND PRODUCING ORGANIC COMPOST.

#### **CLIMATE MITIGATION**

#### 3,800+ METRIC TONS OF GHGs

MITIGATED YEARLY BY KEEPING FAECAL SLUDGE DRY AND APPLYING OUR AEROBIC COMPOSTING PROCESS TO ALL COLLECTED WASTE.

**SOIL'S AWARD WINNING SERVICE** provides safe hygenic, climate-resilient, and dignified urban sanitation services and has recieved recognition from:







SOIL'S **ECOLOGICAL** SANITATION **SERVICES REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS BY NEARLY 1 METRIC TON OF CO2 PER HOUSEHOLD PER** YEAR







**PROCESS EMITS UP TO 92% LESS GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS THAN TRADITIONAL WASTE** TREATMENT **SYSTEMS** 



**CAPTURING NUTRIENTS FROM HUMAN WASTE RECYCLES AND RETURNS THEM** TO THE SOIL



SOIL'S FLAGSHIP SERVICE, EKOLAKAY, PROVIDES DESIRABLE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSEHOLD SANITATION SERVICES DESIGNED TO MAXIMIZE CLIMATE RESILIENCE AND ADAPTATION ACROSS THE ENTIRE SANITATION VALUE CHAIN.

### **HOW IT WORKS**

Customers in SOIL's service zones pay a small monthly fee for a household container based sanitation (CBS) toilet.



Containers of waste are collected weekly and brought to one of SOIL's waste treatment facilites.



All waste is treated and transformed into compost in a process that respects World Health Organization standards.



SOIL's compost is sold to support agriculture, reforestation, and climate change mitigation efforts in Haiti.



**EKOLAKAY HAS GROWN** FROM A PILOT PROJECT **IN 2013 TO A SERVICE WHICH TODAY REACHES OVER 19,000 URBAN RESIDENTS** WITH SAFE AND DIGNIFIED **ACCESS TO HOUSEHOLD SANITATION** 

WHAT'S NEXT

**SOIL AIMS TO REACH 15% OF THE URBAN POPULATION OF CAP-HAITIEN,** HAITI IN THE COMING YEARS.

## HOW SOIL PARTNERS IN THE CARBON OFFSETTING MARKET

Smaller organizations like SOIL, despite their proven carbon mitigation efforts, struggle to compete in the traditional carbon offset market due to the prohibitive costs involved. An alternative approach is direct climate partnerships, exemplified by SOIL's collaborations with Global Water Intelligence.







This method allows companies to offset emissions by partnering directly with the source of carbon credits, ensuring that 100% of funds support mitigation efforts. This approach enhances the impact of carbon offset projects and supports broader social and environmental outcomes, presenting a more cost-effective solution for meaningful contributions to global climate goals.

To partner with SOIL to offset emissions please contact us at info@oursoil.org



**AT ITS CURRENT** SCALE, SOIL'S **SAVES 58 MILLION GALLONS OF** WATER/YEAR **TO FLUSH TOILETS**