Adult Education

Fonkoze adult education programs advance the livelihoods of participants by building skills in a collaborative, empowering manner. Fonkoze's adult education courses provide participants with the skills they need in order to respond to their basic needs. At the same time, courses develop qualities of leadership and solidarity among clients.

PROGRAM IMPACT*

Over 40% of micro-credit clients are illiterate when they join Fonkoze. Limited education negatively impacts their ability to develop sustainable livelihoods and—especially in a place like Haiti—to recover from shocks such as natural disasters, conflict and climactic variability. Courses include basic literacy and business skills, as well as Ti Koze (Little Chat), a class that invites dialogue on some of the most challenging issues women face in Haiti. Learn more at fonkoze.org

PROGRAM KEY FACTS

▶ Fonkoze is leveraging partnerships to dramatically expand its impact. In 2019, 58 trainers from organizations including Concern Worldwide, Food for the Poor, and Living Waters International learned to deliver Fonkoze’s literacy, numeracy and business skills modules.

▶ Fonkoze has been providing educational opportunities to its members since 2000, serving over 139,000 participants to date.

▶ The design of our adult education courses draws on the philosophy of Brazilian educator, Paulo Freire, to empower and educate the women Fonkoze serves.

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