

USA Solidarity Projects

2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR

Marists joining hands across borders to bring education, nourishment, dignity and hope.

As we continue to partner with our FMSI Office in Rome, we are pleased to announce the Marist international projects we have been asked to support in the coming year. During Lent, we will again feature weekly videos produced by students in our USA schools to share more about each of these Marist works.

PROJECTS	COUNTRIES	MARIST MISSION
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LEBANON

Fratelli Project

Fleeing conflict and persecution, Syrian and Iraqi refugee children in Lebanon remain culturally and linguistically isolated and educationally disadvantaged. The Fratelli program grows stable and diverse communities, welcomes pluralism and promotes peace by intentionally blending Christians and Muslims, girls and boys, Shiite and Sunni, Syrians, Iraqis and Lebanese through holistic education. With a results-oriented approach, Fratelli builds social inclusion, helps overcome trauma, strengthens studies and promotes strong social, emotional and moral development through its various programs.

COLOMBIA

Fratelli Project

The Fratelli Project in Maicao is an intercongregational initiative led by the Marist Brothers and De La Salle Brothers to support migrant and vulnerable children, adolescents, and families in Maicao, Colombia, at the border with Venezuela. This initiative responds to the profound humanitarian and social challenges faced by Venezuelan migrants, Colombian returnees, and indigenous Wayuu, with a specific focus on children and adolescents affected by displacement, poverty, and limited access to education and basic services. Through integrated educational, pastoral, and social programs, the Project seeks to promote dignity, resilience, and social inclusion, working in close coordination with the Diocese and other local stakeholders.

MADAGASCAR

Feeding Program in Betroka

The project objective is to improve the St. Vincent de Paul Secondary School students' health conditions and school performance through the provision of one meal each day.

HAITI

Feeding Program in Jérémie

Education in Haiti faces challenges such as limited access to quality schooling, insufficient resources, and low literacy rates. Many families struggle economically, leaving children out of school because of a lack of food. To address this, the Marist Brothers developed a nutrition program targeting Restavek children and students from low-income families, aiming to improve academic achievement by tackling food insecurity and malnutrition.

NAIROBI, KENYA

Renovation of the Marist International Centre

The Marist International Centre in Nairobi currently hosts young Brothers in five fraternities whose physical infrastructure has significantly deteriorated and no longer meets adequate standards for communal living and formative life. The existing rooms lack private sanitation facilities; Brothers share collective bathrooms that are insufficient in number and condition for the current population. The structures present maintenance deficits accumulated over years, affecting habitability, hygiene, and the overall quality of the formation environment.

CHAD

Scholarship Program

This project aims to provide scholarships to vulnerable children and young people in Chad, enabling them to access and complete their education in a safe and supportive environment. In a country where access to quality education remains a major challenge - particularly for girls, displaced children, and those from low-income families - this initiative seeks to break the cycle of poverty through education.