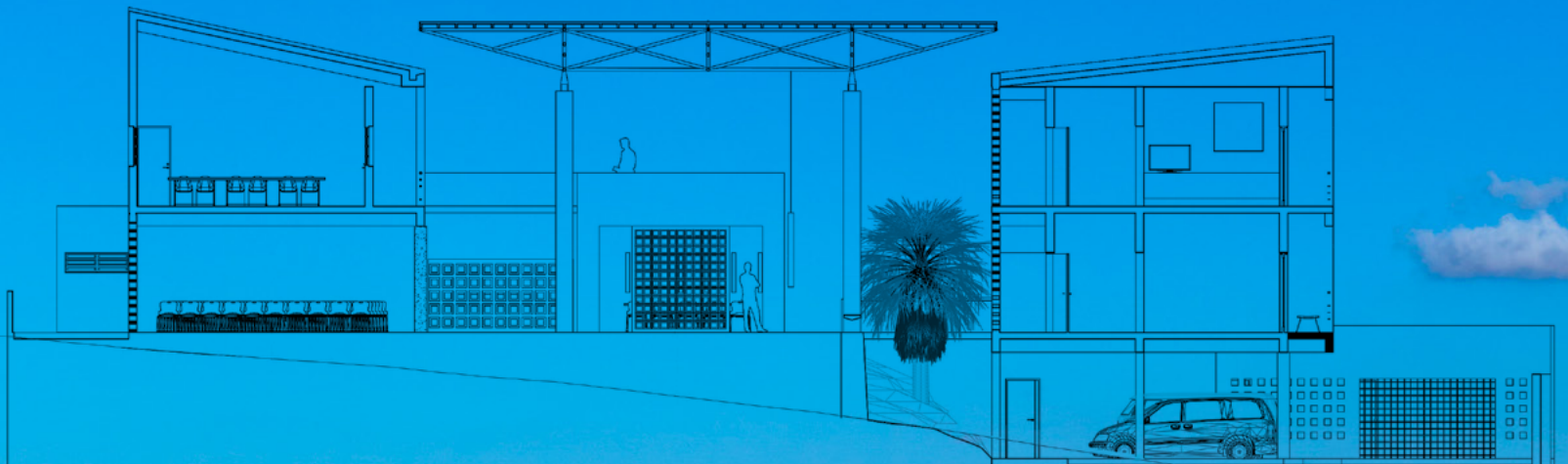


A Hub for Community-Led Development in Haiti **and Around the World**



The La Gonave Community
Leadership & Development Center





**Join us in creating a beacon
of the Haitian people's capacity
for leadership and their right
to self-determination.**

A Vision of **Development Without Dependency**

Roots of Development is helping our partner in Haiti, Rasin Devlopman, build a permanent community leadership and development center on the island of La Gonave.

After fifteen years of sustainable, community-led development in Haiti, we are making a large investment in the future of our work on the island. The La Gonave Community Leadership & Development Center will be a state-

of-the-art facility dedicated to community-led development in Haiti and around the world, solidifying Roots' and Rasin's commitment to the success of the island for generations to come.



The La Gonave Community Leadership & Development Center

The 10,000-square foot La Gonave Community Leadership & Development Center will include office spaces, training rooms, an auditorium, and more—each specially designed for the needs of community-led programming. Inside the center’s walls, Rasin Devlopman will convene community leaders and partners from around Haiti to plan and organize initiatives designed to improve quality of life on the island. A guesthouse and additional office spaces will supplement revenue and help cover the costs of maintaining the facility.

To ensure decades of environmentally and financially sustainable operations, the building harnesses the resources of the island, with a unique design that enables cooling from the breezes of La Gonave, solar panels that will provide 100% of the electricity, and an underground well and rainwater collection system.



The Community Leadership & Development Center will be a **nexus of Community-Led Development efforts around the world**, where leaders can come together to learn and share their experiences, creating an alliance of like-minded partners dedicated to Development without Dependency.

For generations to come, the center will demonstrate to citizens around the globe the value of a world in which the very communities living in poverty are the ones leading the fight against it.

Planning for a Sustainable Future

RENEWABLE ENERGY



The Center will run entirely on **solar power**, which is especially important during times of crisis.

INDEPENDENT WATER SUPPLY



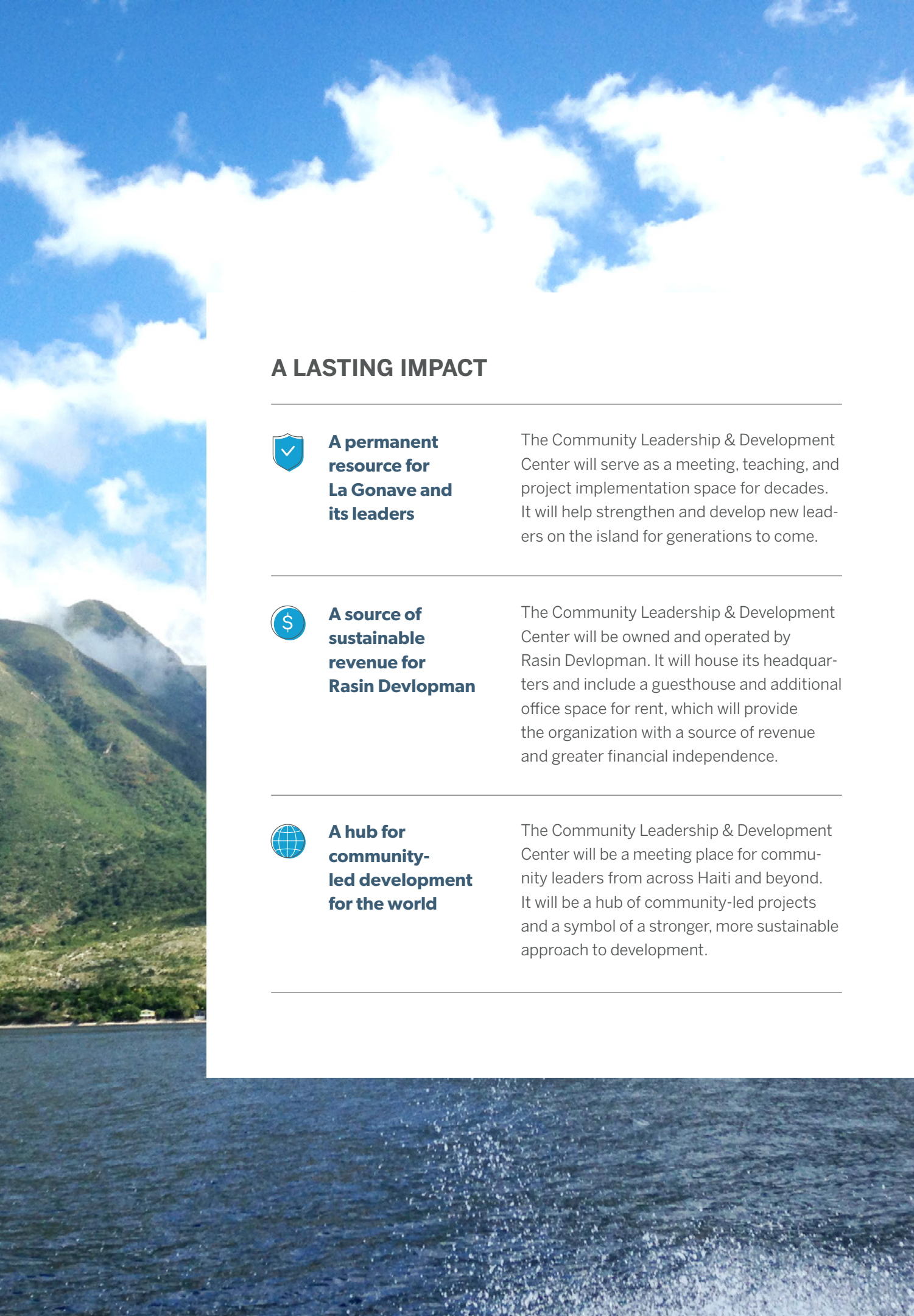
The Center will get its water from rainwater collection tanks and an underground well.

FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE



The Center will provide its own **funding** for Rasin through income-generating activities like guesthouse and office rentals.





A LASTING IMPACT



A permanent resource for La Gonave and its leaders

The Community Leadership & Development Center will serve as a meeting, teaching, and project implementation space for decades. It will help strengthen and develop new leaders on the island for generations to come.



A source of sustainable revenue for Rasin Devlopman

The Community Leadership & Development Center will be owned and operated by Rasin Devlopman. It will house its headquarters and include a guesthouse and additional office space for rent, which will provide the organization with a source of revenue and greater financial independence.



A hub for community-led development for the world

The Community Leadership & Development Center will be a meeting place for community leaders from across Haiti and beyond. It will be a hub of community-led projects and a symbol of a stronger, more sustainable approach to development.



About the Architect

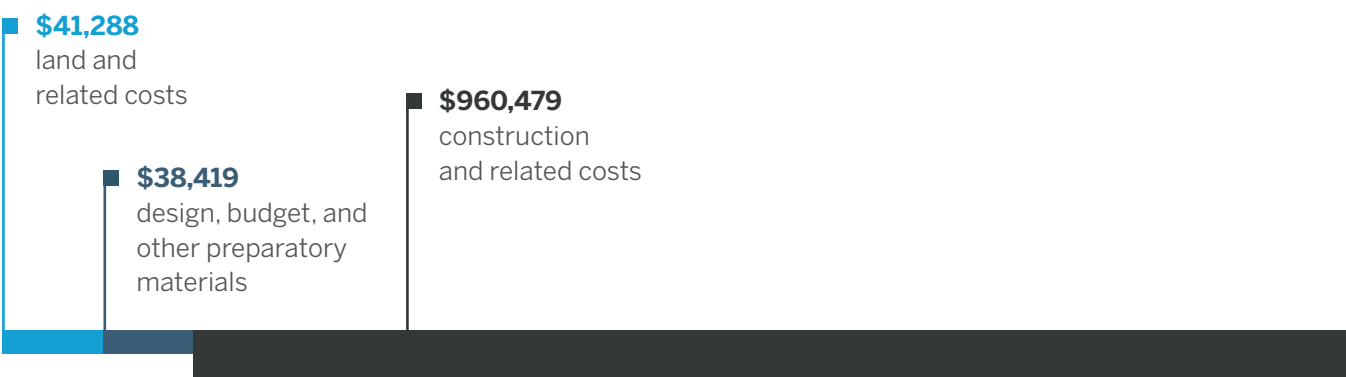
Moun Studio is a Haitian architecture firm led by architects **Daniel Élie** and **Philippe Châtelain**. Mr. Élie is the former director of the Institute for the Safeguarding of National Heritage (ISPAN), an autonomous body of the Haitian Ministry of Culture responsible for the conservation of monuments and historical sites.

Together, Mr. Élie and Mr. Châtelain have collaborated on a number of high-profile restoration and conservation works in Haiti, including the Citadelle Henri Christophe in Cap-Haitien. The attraction of a well-known Haitian architect with deep ties to Haiti’s history and culture to the island is a testament to the significance of the Leadership Center to both La Gonave and Haiti.

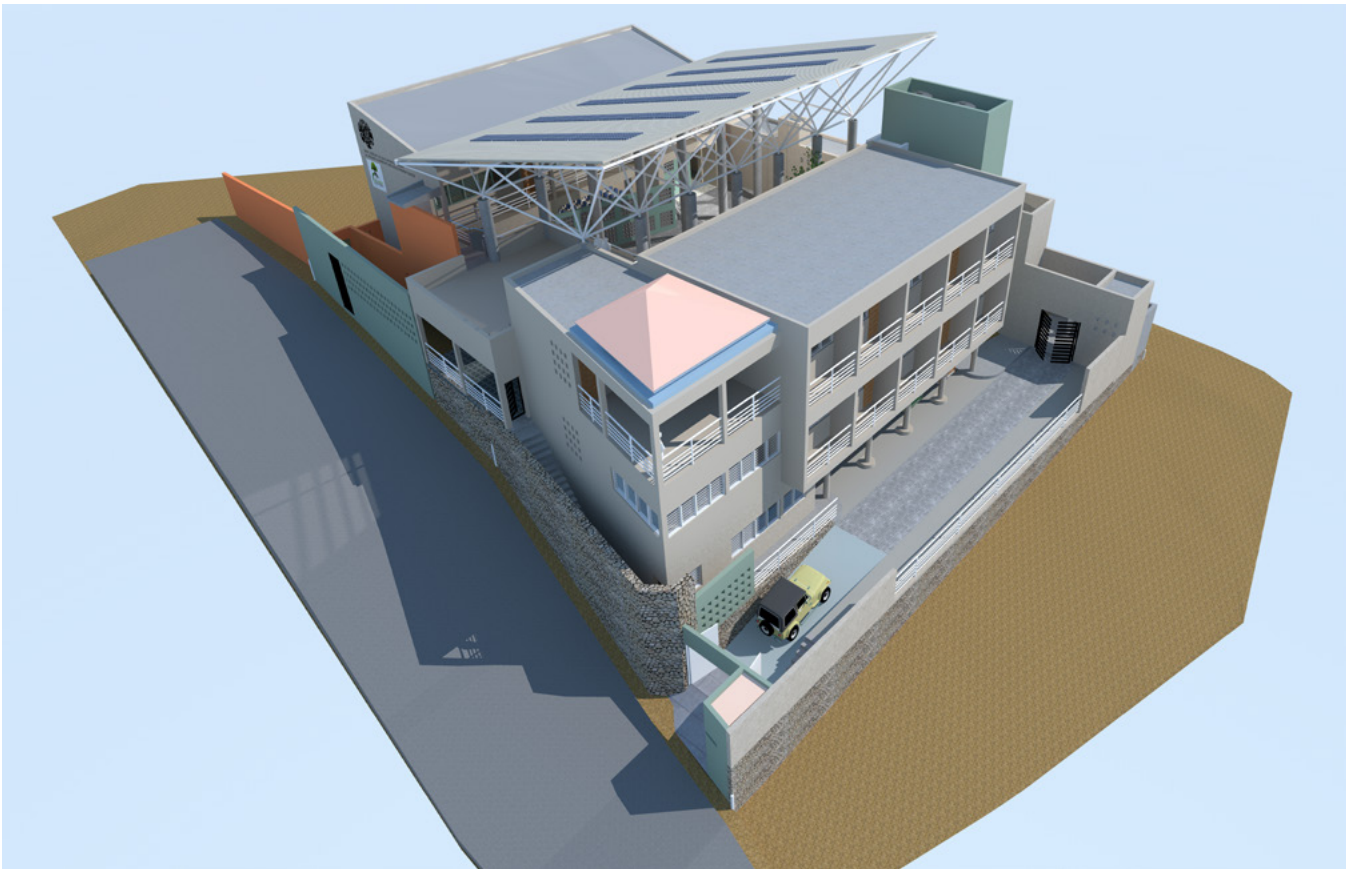
“Rasin Devlopman’s decision to build on La Gonave sends the message that it is here to stay. **It is taking root on the island and will grow wings, an act that is both innovative and fundamental.**”

— Daniel Élie, Architect

Budget



Total Budget: \$1,040,186



Giving Opportunities

\$250,000

Atrium or Auditorium Naming

\$100,000

Training Room Naming (3 available)

\$50,000

Water Garden, Conference Room, or Garden Naming

\$25,000

Dining Room Naming

Other Available Giving Levels

- Champion: \$10,000
- Partner: \$5,000
- Advocate: \$2,500
- Friend: \$1,000

If you give to the La Gonave Community Leadership & Development Center at the **\$1,000 level or more**, your name will be permanently and physically recognized in the center to thank you for your generous contribution to the construction of the center.



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ABOUT ROOTS OF DEVELOPMENT

Mission | Based in Washington, D.C., Roots of Development supports and promotes a community-driven approach to development, based on strengthening local capacity in order to improve the quality of life in marginalized communities.

Vision | We believe in a world in which the very communities living in poverty are the ones leading the fight against it; a world in which communities decide their own future and manage their own development.

ABOUT RASIN DEVELOPMAN

Mission | Based on the island of La Gonave, Haiti, Rasin Devlopman strengthens the capacity of community leaders and locally elected officials so that they are better equipped to manage their own development and improve quality of life on the island.

Goal | Rasin Devlopman's goal is to help the leaders of La Gonave turn the island into a hub of successful community-led development and an example for the world.



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