Newton® Running outfits first All Girls Camp Shriver
Haiti 2014

BoulderShares®, Fondation Digicel, Newton® Running, l’Hopital Dash, and Quisqueya Christian school team up with Special Olympics Haiti

for the first all-girls Camp Shriver held in Haiti!!

Port-au-Prince, Haiti
July 14-18, 2014
Thanks to the collaborative energy and synergy of several partners including: Special Olympics Haiti, BoulderShares®, Newton® Running Fondation Digicel, l’Hopital DASH, and Quisqueya Christian School, over 63 girls participated in a week long camp, July 14-18 in Port-au-Prince, Haiti. Each girl was outfitted with a sports pac, brand new running shoes and socks, and new uniforms - including shorts and special shirts.

The fitting of the shoes was carried out in an orderly fashion, with each child receiving a pack in which to place their existing shoes.
The campers waited patiently in line outside of the classrooms with their new sports pacs.

Each camper was measured on a foot chart (below), with their size written on the inside of their wrist.
The shoes had been laid out by size and the team of runners (volunteers and graduates of Quisqueya, fluent in Kreyol and English) read the sizes and provided the female fitters (Sara and Claudia who represented The American School in Switzerland) with BoulderShares® Girls Camp Shriver.
the right size and helped with any translation needs above and beyond enthusiasm and shared smiles.

Upon receiving her shoes, and after opening ceremonies, each girl rotated to the sport activity of her choice including:
Bocce ball, basketball, volleyball, and soccer.

The opening ceremony was especially exciting.

M. Boby Duval, President of Fondation d’Athletique d’Haiti, was guest of honor and gave a motivating and inspirational speech to the participants including athletes, coaches, staff, volunteers, parents, guardians and sponsors.
After a nutritious lunch (the second meal of the day provided by Camp Shriver), the girls broke out into various activities whilst awaiting their personal medical screening.

Over the course of 2 and 1/2 days, each girl was seen by the team of 2 nurses and 1 Doctor provided by l’Hopital DASH.

Each girl was consented with an intake form and provided data for her portable paper health log.
Afternoon activities included arts and crafts with supplies donated by GrandRabbits of Boulder and special interactive sound reading books provided by Quisqueya and Special Olympics. One girl memorized the book above the first afternoon!
“DJ Real” had a wonderful sound system set up in the shady yard, where the dance troupe rehearsed their closing ceremony performance.

On the last day, we painted nails and made the Tracing Hands, “Thank you, Newton” banner.
There were so many special moments -

Thank you Merci Mesi anpil

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