

CARIBBEAN – HURRICANE MATTHEW

FACT SHEET #9, FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2017

OCTOBER 28, 2016

NUMBERS AT A GLANCE

546

Number of Confirmed
Fatalities in Haiti
GoH/UN – October 13, 2016

141,500

Estimated Number of
People in Evacuation
Shelters in Haiti
GoH/UN – October 26, 2016

**2.1
million**

Estimated Number of
People Affected in Haiti
GoH/UN – October 10, 2016

**1.4
million**

Estimated Number of
People in Haiti Requiring
Humanitarian Assistance
GoH/UN – October 10, 2016

806,000

Estimated Number of
People in Haiti Requiring
Immediate Food
Assistance
GoH/UN – October 14, 2016

HIGHLIGHTS

- Humanitarian actors continue to identify and respond to hurricane-related needs
- WFP reaches more than 242,000 people in Haiti with food assistance in October and bolsters logistics operations by air, land, and sea
- USAID/OFDA provides an additional \$5.2 million to support emergency relief item distributions and shelter and protection activities

HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE HURRICANE MATTHEW RESPONSE IN FY 2017

USAID/OFDA ¹	\$19,660,117
USAID/FFP ²	\$13,227,800
DoD ³	\$10,160,000
\$43,047,917	

KEY DEVELOPMENTS

- USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) staff are supporting humanitarian assessments and response efforts in Haiti, with DART personnel coordinating with the Government of Haiti (GoH) and other stakeholders in the capital city of Port-au-Prince and supporting departmental authorities on coordination and distributions in Grand'Anse and Sud.
- In recent days, USAID/OFDA committed an additional \$5.2 million for humanitarian response efforts in Haiti, bringing USAID/OFDA's total in Haiti to over \$19 million. The new assistance enables UN and non-governmental organization (NGO) partners to reach hurricane-affected populations with multi-sectoral humanitarian assistance. To date, the U.S. Government (USG) has provided more than \$43 million for the Hurricane Matthew response.
- The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is supporting the GoH to strengthen disease surveillance, reporting, and response capacity. CDC has also deployed teams from Port-au-Prince to Grand'Anse and Sud departments to coordinate with GoH Ministry of Public Health and Population (MSPP) personnel.

¹ USAID's Office of U.S. Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA)

² USAID's Office of Food for Peace (USAID/FFP)

³ U.S. Department of Defense (DoD)

HUMANITARIAN ACCESS AND LOGISTICS SUPPORT

- The UN World Food Program (WFP) reported ongoing road access constraints—including damaged or destroyed bridges and roads impassable by heavy vehicles—in hurricane-affected areas, particularly along the western coasts of Grand’Anse and Sud, as of October 26. However, reports from humanitarian actors indicate that access has continued to improve over time.
- The Logistics Working Group—the coordinating body for humanitarian logistics activities in Haiti, comprising UN agencies, NGOs, and other stakeholders—is utilizing WFP assets to transport relief personnel and cargo. As of October 26, the working group had coordinated the air transport of 220 passengers and 14 metric tons (MT) of cargo for 17 humanitarian organizations to hurricane-affected areas, according to the UN. In addition, the Logistics Working Group is supporting humanitarian to bring food and emergency relief commodities to vulnerable populations in coastal areas via sea transport, with two vessels with a capacity of 110 MT transporting cargo from Port-au-Prince to ports in Grand’Anse and Sud.

FOOD ASSISTANCE

- The UN estimates that 806,000 people require food assistance due to Hurricane Matthew’s impacts. WFP—initially appealing for \$46 million to address humanitarian food needs—had raised its appeal to \$48 million as of October 26, according to the UN.
- Between October 8–25, WFP reached 242,000 people in Grand’Anse, Nippes, and Sud with 1,930 MT of food. In the same time period.
- Three NGOs are distributing WFP food assistance in eight communes of Grand’Anse. Samaritan’s Purse is conducting distributions in Abricots, Bonbon, and Moron communes; the Agency for Technical Cooperation and Development (ACTED) is covering Anse d’Hainault, Dame Marie, and Les Irois communes; and Italian NGO Cesvi is distributing food in Corail and Pestel communes. Additionally, ACTED, the International Organization for Migration (IOM), and WFP are conducting joint distributions in Grand’Anse’s Jeremie commune. WFP is increasing logistical capacity at the Jeremie hub to support the accelerating pace and scope of food distributions in Grand’Anse.

HEALTH AND WASH

- USAID/OFDA is supporting NGO partners ACTED and International Medical Corps (IMC) to implement activities—such as improving access to essential WASH services, distributing hygiene and WASH kits, and establishing oral rehydration sites—that address urgent health and WASH needs in Grand’Anse and Sud.
- In coordination with the MSPP, CDC continues to monitor health issues and bolster surveillance capacity in hurricane-affected communities. On October 25 and 26, CDC deployed six staff from Port-au-Prince to support response activities in hurricane-affected areas, including bolstering cholera surveillance, investigating diarrheal disease reports, and improving case management systems of diarrheal syndromes—including cholera.
- The GoH plans to launch an oral cholera vaccination campaign in early November, targeting populations in nine of Sud’s communes and five of Grand’Anse’s communes. On October 25, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), in coordination with the UN World Health Organization (WHO), reported receiving 500,000 doses of oral cholera vaccine for the upcoming campaign; an additional 500,000 doses are planned to arrive in the coming days. PAHO and WHO have also deployed a water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) logistician to support the vaccination campaign.

SHELTER AND RELIEF ITEMS

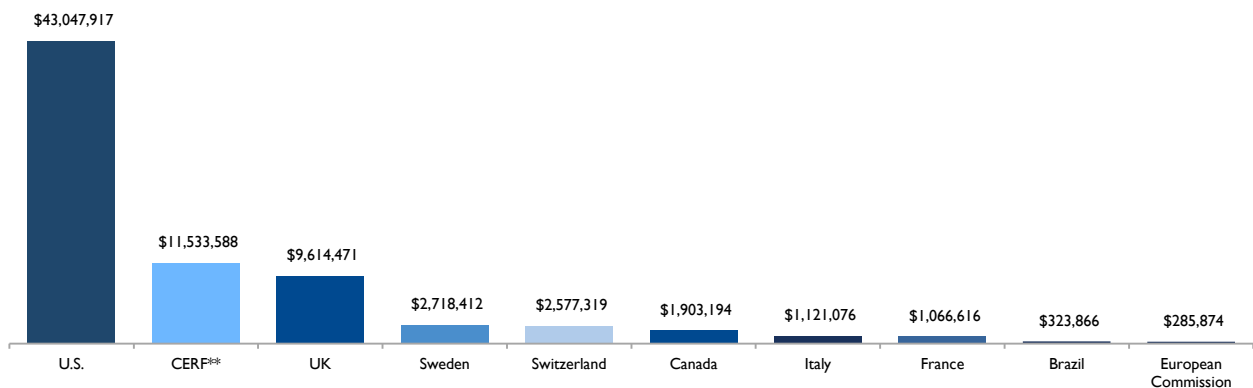
- Approximately 141,500 people continued to reside in 204 temporary shelters in hurricane-affected areas of Haiti as of October 26, the UN reports.
- The DART recently procured 32 chainsaws and fuel and transported the equipment to the National Emergency Operations Center, for onward delivery to the Central, Grand’Anse, Nippes, and Sud-Est departmental emergency operational centers (COUDs). The COUDs plan to use the chainsaws for debris removal.

- During an assessment trip through rural and urban areas of Jeremie and Moron communes, the DART observed community-led shelter repairs underway in all areas, with many people utilizing USAID/OFDA-supplied plastic sheeting. USAID/OFDA recently committed an additional \$300,000 to partner J/P Haitian Relief Organization (J/P HRO) to provide emergency shelter kits, as well as training and supervision on the use of kit materials, for 4,100 hurricane-affected households—approximately 20,500 people—with badly damaged or destroyed houses in Grand’Anse.
- USAID/OFDA awarded the American Red Cross (AmCross) with more than \$1.2 million to provide emergency relief items—such as blankets, hygiene kits, and kitchen sets—to approximately 90,000 people and to deliver emergency shelter material to an estimated 10,000 people in Nippes. USAID/OFDA also provided AmCross with \$150,000 immediately following the hurricane to reach affected populations with relief commodities in Grand’Anse and Sud.
- With \$500,000 in new USAID/OFDA funding, IOM is responding to the emergency shelter needs of 70,000 people in Ouest. IOM activities include proving materials to rehabilitate damaged houses and emergency shelter structures throughout hurricane-affected communities in the department.

PROTECTION

- Populations in hurricane-affected areas of Haiti are vulnerable to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV), family separation, exploitation and abuse, according to the UN. The Haiti Flash Appeal—launched by the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) in coordination with the GoH on October 10—requests \$7.2 million for protection interventions, including activities that respond to psychosocial needs, provide child protection services, address SGBV, and ensure that vulnerable people have equal access to humanitarian assistance.
- USAID/OFDA recently committed approximately \$3 million to Save the Children/U.S. (SC/US) and the UN Population Fund (UNFPA). SC/US is working in Grand’Anse and Sud to address multi-sectoral humanitarian needs, including protection needs; with USAID/OFDA funding, the NGO is providing information on protection needs and available services for children, facilitating the creation of child-friendly spaces at temporary shelter sites, and supporting recreational activities for children impacted by Hurricane Matthew.
- UNFPA is facilitating coordination among SGBV response actors, training local NGOs and community members to establish community watch groups, and supporting protection stakeholders to identify and respond to protection needs among vulnerable women, children, and adolescents in Grand’Anse, Nippes, Nord-Ouest, and Sud.

2016 HUMANITARIAN FUNDING* PER DONOR



*Funding figures reflect contributions from the top donors as of October 28, 2016. All international figures are according to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Financial Tracking System and based on international commitments during the current calendar year, while USG figures are according to the USG and reflect the most recent USG commitments based on the fiscal year, which began on October 1, 2016.
 **The Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) is a pooled humanitarian fund established and managed by the UN to support sudden-onset and underfunded emergencies.

CONTEXT

- Hurricane Matthew made initial landfall near Haiti's Les Anglais commune, Sud, and secondary landfall over eastern Cuba on October 4 before continuing to traverse The Bahamas from October 5–7. The hurricane brought destructive winds, heavy rainfall, and dangerous storm surge, resulting in extensive damage to crops, houses, and infrastructure, as well as widespread flooding in some areas.
- On October 2, U.S. Ambassador to Haiti Peter F. Mulrean and U.S. Chargé d'Affaires, a.i., for Jamaica Eric Khant issued disaster declarations in response to the anticipated effects of Hurricane Matthew. U.S. Chargé d'Affaires, a.i., Lisa A. Johnson issued a disaster declaration in response to the anticipated effects of Hurricane Matthew in The Bahamas on October 4.
- USAID activated a regional DART on October 3 with staff in The Bahamas, Haiti, and Jamaica. USAID also stood up a Washington, D.C.-based Response Management Team to coordinate the regional humanitarian response.
- Based on assessment findings and in consultation with government representatives in the two countries, USAID discontinued DART operations in Jamaica and The Bahamas on October 5 and 13, respectively. USAID/OFDA regional staff will continue to monitor USAID/OFDA assistance provided to the Bahamas Red Cross (BRC) and the Jamaica Red Cross (JRC) to address the immediate needs of populations affected by Hurricane Matthew.

USG HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR THE HURRICANE MATTHEW RESPONSE IN FY 2017¹

IMPLEMENTING PARTNER	ACTIVITY	LOCATION	AMOUNT
USAID/OFDA²			
HAITI			
American Red Cross (AmCross)	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements	Grand'Anse, Nippes, Sud	\$1,360,176
ACTED	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, WASH	Grand'Anse, Sud	\$3,199,875
CRS	Shelter and Settlements	Grand'Anse, Sud	\$150,000
IMC	Health, Nutrition, Protection, WASH	Grand'Anse, Sud	\$1,150,000
IOM	Humanitarian Coordination and Information Management, Logistics Support and Relief Commodities, Shelter and Settlements	Grand'Anse, Ouest, Sud	\$2,732,000
J/P HRO	Economic Recovery and Market Systems, Shelter and Settlements	Grand'Anse, Sud	\$1,274,666
SC/US	Health, Nutrition, Protection, Shelter and Settlements, WASH	Grand'Anse, Sud	\$2,850,000
UNFPA	Protection	Grand'Anse, Nippes, Nord-Ouest, Sud	\$100,500
WFP	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Grand'Anse, Nord-Ouest, Sud-Est	\$2,258,530
	Airlifted Relief Commodities	Haiti	\$4,074,320
TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING FOR HAITI			\$19,150,067
THE BAHAMAS			
BRC	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities; Shelter and Settlements	The Bahamas	\$100,000
	Airlifted Relief Commodities	The Bahamas	\$310,050
JAMAICA			
JRC	Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Jamaica	\$100,000

TOTAL USAID/OFDA FUNDING			\$19,660,117
USAID/FFP³			
CARE	Emergency Food Assistance	Haiti	\$1,000,000
WFP	Local and Regional In-Kind Food Assistance, Logistics Support, RUSF, and Title II In-Kind Food Assistance	Haiti	\$12,227,800
TOTAL USAID/FFP FUNDING			\$13,227,800
DOD⁴			
	Logistics Support	Haiti	\$10,160,000
TOTAL DOD FUNDING			\$10,160,000
TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR HAITI			\$42,537,867
TOTAL USG HUMANITARIAN FUNDING FOR THE HURRICANE MATTHEW RESPONSE IN FY 2017			\$43,047,917

¹ Year of funding indicates the date of commitment or obligation, not appropriation, of funds.

² USAID/OFDA funding represents committed or obligated amounts as of October 28, 2016.

³ Estimated value of food assistance and transportation costs at time of procurement, subject to change.

⁴ DoD has made available up to \$18 million to the U.S. Southern Command to support the Hurricane Matthew response.

PUBLIC DONATION INFORMATION

- The most effective way people can assist relief efforts is by making cash contributions to humanitarian organizations that are conducting relief operations. A list of humanitarian organizations that are accepting cash donations for disaster responses around the world can be found at www.interaction.org.
- USAID encourages cash donations because they allow aid professionals to procure the exact items needed (often in the affected region); reduce the burden on scarce resources (such as transportation routes, staff time, and warehouse space); can be transferred very quickly and without transportation costs; support the economy of the disaster-stricken region; and ensure culturally, dietary, and environmentally appropriate assistance.
- More information can be found at:
 - USAID Center for International Disaster Information: www.cidi.org or +1.202.821.1999.
 - Information on relief activities of the humanitarian community can be found at www.reliefweb.int.