



FIELD READY

Hurricane Irma Response

Hurricane Irma has been the most powerful hurricanes recorded in the Atlantic. The destruction began in the Caribbean when Irma's winds were a Category 5, the strongest measure on the hurricane wind scale.

The losses from Irma are still being quantified, however we know that lives, property and critical infrastructure have been lost in over ten countries. Tens of thousands of people have been displaced. In many places, power has been lost. With the loss of power and infrastructure, communication is a major challenge.

Field Ready is responding in the US Virgin Islands, where people are struggling without shelter, food and water. Island infrastructure has been destroyed in many cases, including the only hospital on St. Thomas, where there is a great need for medical assistance and additional supplies.

We are conducting a needs assessment to better determine how our approach can help alleviate suffering in this region. Our approach focuses on helping to make critical repairs, produce needed items and, while doing so, helping people to help themselves.



Impact

Our work is unlike other aid agencies. A single repair, such as fixing a power supply, can benefit thousands of people. "We'll be able to rapidly make a difference," says Dara Dotz, a member of Field Ready's Rapid Emergency Deployment Team. "With the start of our response, we'll begin with the aim of building people's resilience."

Supporting Field Ready

Field Ready is a US-based non-governmental, nonprofit organization. As a 501(c)(3), donations are fully tax deductible. We are building a solid track record that is proving itself to be scalable and sustainable. We have in place the critical staff, key partnerships and organizational capacity to amplify our impact with the right support.

