



SHELTER COORDINATION GROUP. ESF-3 and ESF-6

Date of the meeting: 04/10/2019

Venue: EOC Building, Grand Bahama

Time: 09:00am to 10:30am

Chair:

- Representative of Social Services

Co-chair:

- IFRC

Participants: Grand Bahama Port Authority - BDS, Caritas - Catholic Relief Services, Samaritan's Purse, SBP, Salvation Army, Department of Labour, Mennonite Disaster Service

Overview:

- This group has been established to coordinate activities related to both collective shelters for displaced population and individual shelters/settlements for non - displaced population affected by the hurricane Dorian in Grand Bahama.
- The aim is to discuss the different shelter support options and modalities, and to coordinate the activities of different actors to ensure efficiency and to avoid overlapping.

Topics covered during the meeting:

- Establish common procedures to carry out cash for repairs
- Process to support displaced families with rentals through Social Services support
- Repairs and possible reconstructions
- Daily labor rates and insurance for workers

Partner's round presentation and current activities:

Caritas/ Catholic Relief Services:

- Currently doing focal group discussion in 3 zones (High Rock, Westend and Freeport) to explore the possibility of doing cash for repairs.
- Evaluating the possibility to establish cash for repairs through the following process:
 - Once the first distribution of money for repairs is delivered, set up a monitoring system to be sure that families are using the money properly and the repairs are being carried out with quality before handing over the second distribution.

SBP:

- Information regarding the Mold Remediation Training:
 - In order to have a training it is recommended to have at least 10 families

Samaritans Purse:

- Currently Repairing roofs with temporary tarping
- Waiting for the new building codes to repair and rebuild roofs



Global Shelter Cluster
ShelterCluster.org
Coordinating Humanitarian Shelter

- On going Assessments on roof to cover a **target of 1,000** House Holds
- Hiring a contractor to do inspections of the roofs
- The selection of beneficiaries was carried out with the church support
- Evaluating the possibility to work with a partners that can cover basic needs or furnishing of the families they are supporting right now
- Are currently working directly with homeowners

Salvation army:

- Evaluating the possibility to distribute cash to refurnish homes or for rentals
- Target of beneficiaries: To be determined
- Looking forward to collaborate with the partners to be sure that we don't duplicate efforts

International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies:

- Currently targeting **1500 families** to support with Cash Multipurpose to cover families basic needs (in the affected islands)
- **2000** Non Food Items distribution
 - 1000 in Abaco
 - 500 in Grand Bahama
 - 500 in stock
- **1000** Shelter solutions (in the affected islands)
 - Evaluating the possibility to build 500 Temporary Shelters Solution that comply with the building codes
 - **500** House Holds target
 - Cash Repairs
 - Cash for Rentals

Social Services

- Current process for the families that want to rent a place with the support of Social Services:
 - They need to apply with the land lords
 - Once the family gets a letter from the land lord with the location and the cost of the rental they need to ask the land lord an agreement letter between the land lord and the House Hold that will be renting for the time that they agree
 - The family needs to submit the agreement letter to Social Services to receive a 3 month cash support that will be to pay the land lord
- They have 200 identified land lords that can work with social services
- Every rental place need to meet the standards

Planning department

- Port authority electrical inspection is required for re energizing
- Main issue in doing assessment previously was roof damage and wind damage in Dorian it was more the storm surge

Department of Labour

- \$210 per week is the minimum wage
- If you hire an employee they need to have National Insurance
 - 3.9% deduct salary from employee. 5.9% paid by employer
- Recommendation is identify licensed contractors and work with them



Mennonite Disaster Services

- They are interested in working with the actors they are implementing on the ground and can support with trainings regarding Build Back Safer

Remaining actions:

- Individually talk with the partners that are going to work on cash for repairs, re furnishing and rentals to establish parameters and standards for the monitoring and how to make those distributions
- All the actors needs the Building Codes from Public works to start with the repairs or see the possibility to build temporary solutions