

One year after Hurricane Irma, we transition from recovery to resilience

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## I. New Beginnings

Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust becomes Barbuda Resilience Fund



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### A letter from the Directors

Dear Friends,

The one-year anniversary of Hurricane Irma marks an important transition point for our work. Now that the immediate need for emergency response has subsided, we begin to look towards the future of creating a strong and resilient Barbuda. We are tackling this challenge in two ways. Firstly, the Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust (BRCT) will evolve to become the Barbuda Resilience Fund. The Barbuda Resilience Fund will be managed solely by the International Community Foundation (ICF) and focus on supporting the sustainable development of Barbuda. Secondly, the Waitt Institute will resume its work on ocean conservation through Blue Halo Barbuda. Together with local government partners, the Institute will focus on strengthening management of fisheries and protected areas.

Since the storm, the Waitt team and International Community Foundation have been working hand-in-hand to create, administer and implement the BRCT in support of Barbuda. With the Waitt team's experience working in Barbuda and the International Community Foundation's expertise in managing and overseeing international community funds, we formed an effective partnership. As the Waitt team returns to its work in ocean conservation, ICF is excited to increase its role in building new partnerships to support Barbuda.

Thank you for your contributions. Your donations have provided critical support in helping Barbudans recover from Hurricane Irma. **Please consider donating to the new Barbuda Resilience Fund** to continue to support the future of Barbuda.

In this report we summarize our efforts to date to support recovery. We are excited for the coming years.

Sincerely, Anne, Kathryn & Jacob

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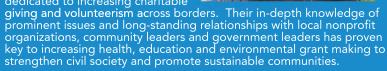


After shifting short-term focus to provide emergency relief through the Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust, the Institute will resume its work on ocean conservation. We will focus on marking protected areas, restoring mangroves in the Codrington Lagoon National Park, strengthening enforcement of protected areas, building fisheries management capacity, and raising awareness of ocean resources through education and outreach.

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Over the past 25 years, ICF has developed unparalleled knowledge in the regions where they work. They partner with a number of international organizations uniquely positioned to fight the many challenges a community faces while envisioning alternative plans for their neighborhoods and regions. ICF believes strengthening local leadership and creating more opportunity for civic engagement is a direct way to uphold the collective environmental values of a community. From supporting grassroots organizations to providing critical relief after natural disasters, ICF has worked closely with partners to advance on the ground efforts.

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Waitt Foundation, Waitt Institute, and the International Community Foundation came together two days after Hurricane Irma to establish the Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust (BRCT) as a way to offer emergency aid and support recovery. The generosity of donors allowed for the financial capability to implement the programs requested by Barbudans in an attempt to restore their lives. Strong community relations, guided by a local Advisory Board and local Project Coordinators, added value to our project planning and implementation strategies whilst ensuring cultural responsiveness.

To ensure we are best helping the people of Barbuda we have

- Formed an advisory board of Barbudans who inform and approve programs
- Maintained strong working relations with the Government of Antiqua & Barbuda and Barbuda Council members
- Held 3 community listening sessions to hear directly from the people
- Completed 2 surveys of 202 Barbudans
- Hired 2 disaster relief experts
- Had at least two staff members on the ground in Antigua & Barbuda at all times

11 PROGRAMS CREATED

**46 BARBUDANS EMPLOYED** 

**50+ PARTNERS** 

**100% OF DONATIONS** 

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**LOCAL & INTERNATIONAL** 

WENT DIRECTLY TO HELPING BARBUDANS

### **BRCT RESPONSE & PROGRAMS**

We created 11 new programs in the past year that are broken up into 7 categories (continued on page 4).



### **EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE**

The Waitt team flew to Antiqua & Barbuda with emergency supplies that were distributed at shelters in Antiqua. The BRCT helped the first businesses to reopen on Barbuda: Wanda's Restaurant and Lil Linc's market. We also trained & hired hired 5 CARE Advocates to conduct psychosocial support activities including childcare services to displaced Barbudans in shelters.

Programs: Small Business Recovery, CARE Advocates

4 SHELTER DELIVERIES 2 BUSINESSES REOPENED

5 TRAINED CARE ADVOCATES



### **BARBUDA CLEANUP**

In partnership with the Codrington Lagoon National Park and the Department of Environment, we hired 22 Barbudans to clean public spaces and buildings on Barbuda. The BRCT team was the first cleanup crew on the ground in Barbuda, beginning inital cleanup only 1 week after the storm.

Programs: Codrington Lagoon Cleanup, UNDP Shelter Debris Program

 WEEKS OF CLEANUP Barbudans Employed Tonnes of Debris **REMOVED** 

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### **HOME RECONNECTION & REPAIR**

We provided materials and labour for 250 homes installing the re-wiring necessary for reconnection to the public distribution grid of water and power. Additionally, we provided supplies and hired Barbudans to fix homes by installing new windows, doors, and spouting.

**Programs: Utilities Reconnection, Home Repair** 

231 HOMES RECONNECTED TO UTILITIES

46 HOMES REPAIRED
(131 WINDOWS, 72 DOORS, 57 SPOUTING)



### **TRANSPORTATION**

In partnership with the Barabuda Express Ltd., we assisted the transportation of Barbudans between Antigua and Barbuda through 50-100% subsidized tickets. We also provided free emergency charters with Adventure Antigua for special occasions.

**Programs: Ferry Transportation, Private Charters** 

1,804 TRIPS SUBSIDIZED



### **TUTORING & EDUCATION**

BRCT developed several tutoring & afterschool programs on Antigua and on Barbuda for Barbudan children displaced from their schools after the storm. Additionally, we created the Booyard Sports Club, an afterschool program for children to swim or play football.

Programs: Booyard Sports Club, Barbuda Learning Space, Antigua Afterschool Tutoring

42 STUDENTS TUTORED ON ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

82 CHILDREN ENROLLED IN AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS CLUB

10 BARBUDANS EMPLOYED LICENSED TEACHERS



### FISHERS LIVELIHOODS

BRCT held one training workshop with 25+ local fishermen on sustainable trap designs and fishing practices; distributed 110 sustainable fish traps in addition to 500 lengths of steel, 200 buoys, 100 rolls of tie wire and 25 coils of rope to encourage additional sustainable fish-trap building.

Programs: Fisher's Livelihood Recovery

110 FISH TRAPS SUPPLIED + ADDL BUILDING MATERIALS
25 RECEIPIENTS



### **HURRICANE SHUTTERS**

In light of the 2018 hurricane season, Barbuda Resilience Fund (BRF) plans to support hurricane preparedness on the island of Barbuda through the construction & installation of 1,000 hurricane shutters on 100 homes.

**Programs: Hurricane Shutters** 

1,000 SHUTTERS TO BE INSTALLED
100 HOMES



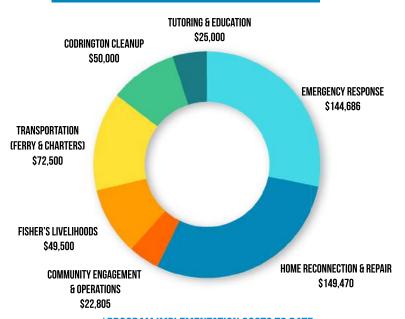
## \$789,700 USD Raised

**EXPENDITURES AS OF JULY 31, 2018** 

\$120,000 SPENT IN 2017 \$394,211 SPENT IN 2018

\$103,929 COMMITTED TO EXISTING PROGRAMMING \$171,560 REMAINING

### **EXPENDITURES BY PROGRAM\***



\*PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION COSTS TO DATE

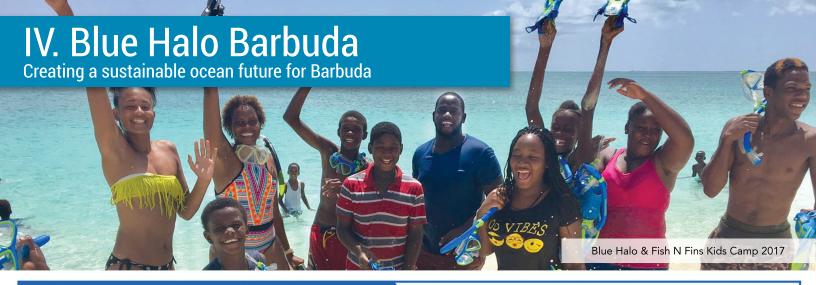
# ALL REMAINING DONATIONS WILL BE EXPENDED BY THE BARBUDA RESILIENCE FUND.

Immediately following the devastation of Hurricane Irma on September 5th 2017, ICF waived all administrative fees to ensure that funds went directly to support hurricane relief. Starting in 2018, the Waitt Foundation covered ICF's administrative fees related to the Trust. Beginning today, ICF will charge its standard 7% grantmaking fee to ensure that we can provide sufficient programmatic and financial oversight on all grants in Barbuda.

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### **BLUE HALO INITIATIVE**

A partnership between Government and the Waitt Institute to achieve sustainable ocean management through marine spatial planning, fisheries management, and community stewardship.

The Blue Halo Initiative is collaboration between the Barbuda Council, the office of the Prime Minister of Antigua and Barbuda, Barbuda Fisheries, Codrington Lagoon National Park officials, and the Waitt Institute. The goal of Blue Halo Barbuda is to foster the sustainable, profitable, and enjoyable use of ocean resources for present and future generations. Through this project, we have protected 33% of Barbuda's waters through coastal sanctuaries, no net zones, and anchoring zones around the island.

The Waitt Institute is excited to resume work with Blue Halo Barbuda and will focus on the implementation of protected areas and fisheries regulations. This includes marking protected areas, strengthening enforcement, building fisheries management capacity, and raising awareness of ocean resources through education and outreach. Additionally, we will begin a mangrove restoration project to help important fish and bird habitat and nurseries recover after Hurricane Irma.

### **APPROACH**



Science-based



Community-driven



Balance economic, conservation, and cultural priorities



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### POTENTIAL BENEFITS

- More abundant fish
- 🚯 Healthier coral reefs, mangroves, and seagrass
- Improved fishing and tourism livelihoods
- Reputation as an international conservation leader
- More opportunities for future generations

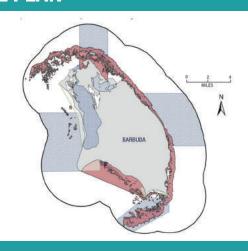
### **BARBUDA'S MARINE SPATIAL PLAN**

### **Protecting 33% of Barbuda's waters**

- BOUNDARY (1 LEAGUE, 3.45 MILES) Area within boundary is under jurisdiction of Barbuda Council
  - COASTAL SANCTUARIES All fishing prohibited
- LAGOON SANCTUARY All fishing prohibited, except hook-and-line from shore
- NO-NET ZONES Use of nets prohibited within 20 meters of reefs and in other no-net zones
- ANCHORING/MOORING ZONES Anchoring and mooring permitted only in these designated zones, except while fishing or diving with permit
- SHIPPING ZONE Anchoring, mooring, fishing, diving, and swimming prohibited

Effective 28 August 2014. Subject to change. See Gazette for most up-to-date requirements.

Barbuda regulations pertain only to waters within 3.45 miles of shore. Barbuda Special Area Permit required for all fishing within 3.45 miles of shore.





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The road to recovery is long, help us build a resilient Barbuda

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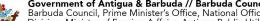








### GOVERNMENTAL PARTNERS



Government of Antigua & Barbuda // Barbuda Council
Barbuda Council, Prime Minister's Office, National Office of Disaster Services (NODS), Department of Environment Agriculture Division, Fisheries Division, Barbuda Affairs
Division, Ministry of Foreign A ffairs, Antigua Public Utilities Authority (APUA), Antigua & Barbuda Royal Political Force (ABRPF) National Emergency Operations Center
(NEOC), Ministry of Education, Ministry of Social Transformation, Ministry of Health & Environment, Codrington Lagoon National Park, Development Control Authority
(DCA), Port Authority

LOCAL PARTNERS

Marine Ecosystems Protected Area (MEPA) Trust, Halo Antigua, Antigua & Barbuda Search and Rescue (ABSAR), Antigua & Barbuda Red Cross, Antigua & Barbuda Humane Society, Adventure Antigua, Creole Cruises, Thriller Boat Tours, Big Banana, Multipurpose Center St. Johns, Loose's Taxi Service, Renford Taxi Service, Barbuda Express Ltd., Wanda's Restaraunt, Lil Linc's Market, BK Fuel, E-Tech Construction 74

International Community Foundation (ICF), The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Cross Societies (IFRC), Samaritan's Purse, JP/HRO, United Nations Development Program (UNDP), China Aid, UNICEF, Clinton Foundation, United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), United Nations Women, Shelterbox, Ground Truth Solutions, Global Emergency Relief (GER), Salvation Army, Bonnie Floyd Ministries, Waitt Foundation, Waitt Institute

