



BARBUDA RECOVERY AND CONSERVATION TRUST DONOR REPORT

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The "Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust" (BRCT) is an emergency-relief fund to help rebuild the island of Barbuda after Hurricane Irma.



I. Damage from Irma

On September 6th, 2017, the Caribbean island of Barbuda was hit by Hurricane Irma which ravaged the island with 185 mph winds, 15 foot waves, and widespread flooding. Barbuda and its people have experienced total devastation as the majority of homes, buildings, and infrastructure was destroyed.



Codrington, Barbuda

Barbuda is known for its welcoming culture, unspoilt white sand beaches, and incredible seafood. Prior to the storm, the Waitt Institute and Barbuda Council led Blue Halo Barbuda, a partnership to create a sustainable ocean future for Barbuda. When Hurricane Irma hit, the Waitt team shifted gears and launched the BRC Trust (BRCT) to support Barbudans in their time of need.

1625 people displaced

The entire population was evacuated to Antigua after Hurricane Irma. Only 16% of Barbudans have returned home.



96% of houses damaged or destroyed

*Homes have been analyzed by UNDP

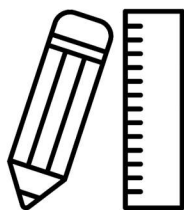


405 fishing traps lost & 31 boats damaged

Fishing is a primary source of income and food for many on Barbuda.

463 children out of school

The primary school was destroyed and school supplies were ruined.



155 small businesses shut down

All business came to a halt as buildings, cars, and tourist destinations were destroyed by the storm.



II. How we've helped so far

BRCT progress Sept. 6 - Dec. 31st, 2017

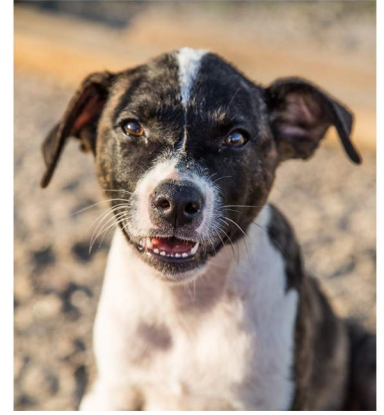
30+ Barbudans employed



80+ children enrolled in afterschool programs



130 dogs sheltered and cared for



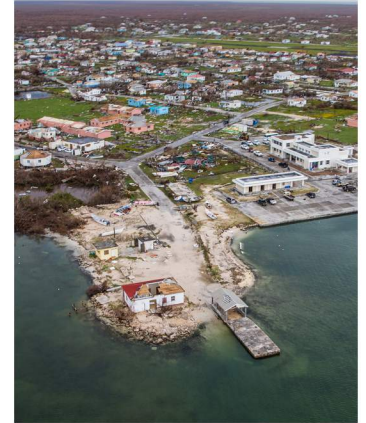
100 fish pots constructed



2 small businesses rehabilitated



6 weeks of cleanup in Codrington Lagoon Park



7 community events



828 people transported to Barbuda by boat



300 people provided with social services



III. Funds & Expenditures



Waitt Institute partnered with the Department of Environment to have the first cleanup crew on Barbuda after Irma.

\$650,000+ Raised

EXPENDITURES AS OF DEC. 31 2017

\$120,000
Expended

\$92,000
Committed

\$449,000
Remaining

500+ Donors



Waitt Institute ensures that contributions to the Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust Fund will be used only on expenses related to supporting the recovery of Barbuda and the Barbudan people. The Fund will distribute funds to individuals and organizations that are delivering the following types of programs and/or services:

- Emergency shelter, housing, food, clothing, and supplies
- Disaster planning, assessment, and on-the-ground activities restoration and recovery activities
- Community clean up
- Restoration and recovery of community services
- Restoration and recovery of educational and training programs for adults and children
- Restoration and recovery of the ecological services provided by the land and marine environment of Barbuda





"I'm here and I'm working and I'm not going anywhere. It's all thanks to Waitt & Barbuda Recovery & Conservation Trust."

Wanda Desouza owns a restaurant on Barbuda that serves Barbudan comfort food. With the support of BRCT funds, she was the first business to reopen after the storm. Her home cooked meals keep relief workers and Barbudans fed. She must cook for large groups of people without the luxury of running water, and must run her appliances off of a generator.

"I feel like it's not going to be dark and rainy all day every day, for me, for my family, for the island, for the people of Barbuda. Sunlight, it's going to come back."

Nkosie "Loose" Chambers ran a taxi and rental car service on Barbuda. All of his cars were totaled during Hurricane Irma. He was hired by BRCT to help coordinate our relief efforts through our "Barbuda Back To Work" program.



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