PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

The objective of this project is to increase the capacity of the Government of Haiti and the Haitian people to prepare for and manage disaster risk. The project will be implemented at the national level and will specifically provide support to reinforce the coordination and operational capacity of the Department of Civil Protection (DPC). The rehabilitation and building of evacuation centers will be undertaken in priority areas identified by the DPC. This project will contribute directly and indirectly to the socio-economic development of Haiti by improving the population’s overall disaster preparedness and risk mitigation capacity. Members of the DPC, volunteers and community leaders will benefit directly from this project.

Natural disaster risk management and the preparation for the hurricane season have been identified as one of the key priorities in the Government’s Action Plan for Reconstruction and Development of Haiti.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Name: Capacity Building for Disaster Risk Management
Amount: US$2 Million
Sources: HRF (US$2 M)
Approval date: 15 December, 2011
Sector: Disaster Management and Prevention
Partner entity: UN

DESCRIPTION

Every year Haiti is exposed to the devastating impact of the hurricane season. The means available to the general population to deal with these natural forces are always insufficient, making disaster preparedness one of the Government’s key priorities.

Project Objectives: Increase the capacity of the Government of Haiti and the Haitian people to prepare for and manage disaster risk by:

- Reinforcing the capacity of the Department of Civil Protection in the preparation for and management of disaster risk at the camp and commune level;
- Increase the resilience of vulnerable population groups;
- Increase the availability of temporary shelters.

Expected Results:

(i) A training program on disaster preparedness is developed and adapted to the post-earthquake context;
(ii) 200 people are trained in disaster preparation using the training program;
(iii) Completion of several training cycles to train trainers on disaster preparedness and risk mitigation;
(iv) About 5 community buildings damaged by the earthquake and used as evacuation centers in case of an emergency are repaired;
(v) About 5 multipurpose evacuation buildings are constructed and operational to provide shelter to internally displaced people in case of a hurricane.

Targeted thematic Outcomes %
Territorial Rebuilding 100