Data Sheet

USAID Mission: Jamaica **Program Title:** Disaster Rehabilitation and Preparedness Pillar: Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance Strategic Objective: 532-014 Status: New in FY 2005 Planned FY 2005 Obligation: \$18,000,000 IDA **Prior Year Unobligated:** Proposed FY 2006 Obligation: \$0 Year of Initial Obligation: 2005 **Estimated Year of Final Obligation:** 2005

Summary: The 2004 hurricane season was a particularly active one for the Caribbean region, culminating in Hurricane Ivan, which left in its wake immense destruction on a number of islands, including Jamaica, where it directly affected over 370,000 people and left over \$580 million in damages island wide. In October 2004, the U.S. Congress approved \$100 million of IDA supplemental funding for hurricane recovery efforts in the Caribbean. USAID's hurricane recovery program in Jamaica, with its emphasis on speed, self-help and "building back better," supports the people of Jamaica in their endeavors to quickly recover, rebuild, and resume their path to sustainable development.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Protect and Increase the Assets and Livelihoods of the Poor during Periods of Stress (\$18,000,000 IDA) USAID's Hurricane Reconstruction and Recovery Program on the island of Jamaica restores people's livelihood and shelter while reducing vulnerabilities to similar events in the future. It focuses on three key areas: community revitalization, business and agriculture rehabilitation, and school rehabilitation and resupply.

USAID's community revitalization effort uses an approach that maximizes local ownership of and participation in the program as well as facilitates community-based income opportunities. Activities include housing repairs, new housing construction, repair of tourist sites and attractions, repair of community centers, and repair of water and sanitation works. The self-help housing repair and new housing construction activities will restore houses to pre-hurricane or better conditions and are in compliance with local building codes and hurricane resistance standards.

The business and agriculture rehabilitation initiative works to restore the livelihoods of those affected by the hurricane. USAID's programs promote restoration of small and medium-sized businesses to pre-Hurricane Ivan production levels or better through the provision of technical assistance, training, and grants, with a special emphasis on agribusiness (horticulture and poultry), fisheries, and the crafts sector. USAID's assistance is rapidly rehabilitating and generating employment opportunities in the agricultural and agribusiness sectors. The program provides technical assistance, skills training, and inputs to hurricane affected persons to help them generate much needed income.

The school rehabilitation and resupply activity focuses on the repair, rehabilitation, and resupply of more than 189 public schools and 3 teachers colleges, including schools that participate in the Centers for Excellence in Teacher Training (CETT) initiative. All repair work will be within compliance to local building code and hurricane resistance standards. Many of the schools also function as community shelters and will be better prepared for that role after repairs are complete.

USAID's implementing partners for these activities include the Planning and Development Collaborative International (PADCO), Development Alternatives, Inc., local non-governmental

organizations, grassroots community groups, and various ministries and offices within the Government of Jamaica.

FY 2006 Program: No funds will be obligated in FY 2006.

Performance and Results: This program began in early FY 2005 and will end on December 31, 2005. By the end of the program, more than 675 damaged houses will have been repaired and an estimated 200 new houses will have been built. More than 1,000 people will have received skills training in order to re-enter the work force. An estimated 2000 small horticultural farmers and 300 poultry farmers will have received support and resumed operations. Repairs will have been completed on 189 schools and three teacher's colleges, benefiting students across the island

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Jamaica

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