

LASCO Chin Foundation Response to Impact of Hurricane Beryl

July 17, 2024



About Hurricane Beryl



- ✓ Designated as the **strongest and fastest Tropical Storm** to swiftly matriculate into a **Category 5 hurricane**, Beryl has left devastating damages to infrastructure and lives in less than a week.
- ✓ Beryl became the **earliest Category 4 Hurricane recorded**, breaking the record of Hurricane Dennis on July 8, 2005.
- ✓ Beryl made landfall as a Category 4 Hurricane raging across the southern Caribbean islands, flattening hundreds of building and costing lives & livestock, leaving about **\$510 million worth of damage in the Caribbean.**
- ✓ Beryl caused between **\$28 to 32 billion in damage in the U.S.** and also impacted Canada as far north as Nova Scotia. Many countries are still battling the economic repercussions.





Caribbean Impact



Union Island

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

- ✓ More than **90% of houses demolished**.
- ✓ **1,700 persons have been displaced**, seeking refuge at emergency shelters that are overly crowded.
- ✓ **Airport terminal severely destroyed**.
- ✓ Critical need for food, clean water, sanitation and health services since most government buildings, schools, hospitals etc have suffered widespread infrastructural damages.



📷 A man stands next to a business destroyed by Hurricane Beryl in Clifton, Union Island. Photograph: Lucanus Ollivierre/AP



Carriacou

Grenada



Devastation caused by Hurricane Beryl on Carriacou Island in Grenada [WFP/Jean Paul Laveau]



- Beryl's impact on Carriacou, Grenada resulted in over **3,500 households affected** and close to **10,000 persons homes significantly damaged**.



CariPhilAlliance Trusted Partners Respond to Hurricane Beryl

- ✓ The LASCO Chin Foundation is a **founding member** of the *Caribbean Philanthropic Alliance (CariPhilAlliance)* and a **trusted partner** who responded to the devastating impact of Hurricane Beryl in Jamaica
- ✓ Other trusted partners of the Caribbean Philanthropic Alliance across the Caribbean include:
 - ❖ **Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency (CDEMA)**
 - ❖ **Caribbean Meteorological Organization (CMO)**
 - ❖ **Sandals Foundation**
 - ❖ **Is There Not A Cause (ITNAC)**
 - ❖ **Helen Daughters - Women Farmers in St. Lucia and St. Vincent & Grenadines**
 - ❖ **Food For The Poor**
 - ❖ **American Friends of Jamaica**
 - ❖ **Jamaica Network of Corporate Foundations**
 - ❖ **Biocultural Education Research Programme**



<https://cariphilalliance.org/2024/07/05/caribbean-philanthropic-alliance-directs-support-to-hurricane-beryl-relief-efforts/>



Jamaica Impact





Beryl's Impact on Jamaica

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Beryl's Impact on Jamaica



SLIPPERY FORECAST

Farmers say banana, plantain crops won't recover from Beryl hit until March 2025



80,000 JPS customers still without power

- ✓ Jamaica suffered widespread damage and destruction with over **250 roads affected by fallen trees and flooding.**
- ✓ Impacted communities were faced with **limited access to clean water, proper sanitation and electricity.**



Beryl's Impact on Jamaica



- ✓ To date, over **160,000 people**, including **37,000 children**, require **humanitarian assistance** after reporting extensive damages to their homes, water and electricity supplies.
- ✓ Livelihoods in south eastern Jamaica, especially in **Clarendon** and **St. Elizabeth** have been badly disrupted.
- ✓ Estimated damage to agricultural sector is **Ja\$4.7 billion** (approx. **US\$30million**)



Impact to Clarendon & St. Elizabeth

Hospitals and health centres in North and South Clarendon and St. Elizabeth have been **declared nonoperational**

Many areas are still **without clean water, electricity** and people are seeking temporary shelters in poor condition areas.

Without water and electricity, **many businesses are forced to shut down** resulting in **limited access to food and other necessities**

Roads remain unsafe for commuting due to fallen trees and destroyed power cables

Flooding caused by Beryl, **increased risk of water and vector borne diseases** such as dengue and leptospirosis



LCF Partnerships

In response to calls for assistance, the LASCO Chin Foundation partnered with:

- ✓ **JWN Foundation**
- ✓ **Sandals Foundation**
- ✓ **New Testament Church of God**
- ✓ **Operation Save Jamaica**
- ✓ **Saxthrope Methodist Church**
- ✓ **Soroptomist International, Jamaica**
- **And other partners to provide care packages for affected persons**



JWN Foundation

- ✓ **Two (2) days** after the impact of Hurricane Beryl, LCF partnered with **JWN Foundation** to provide Relief Care Package support to **400 families** in Clarendon, St. Elizabeth and Kingston.
- ✓ One week later, **300** more Relief Care Packages were distributed.



Residents in Clarendon, who were severely affected by the passage of Hurricane Beryl, display relief packages with food products they received from J Wray & Nephew, with support from Lasco Chin Foundation. The company kicked off the relief drive on Saturday, July 6, packaging and distributing more than 400 food packages across the parishes of Kingston, St Elizabeth, and Clarendon.

Publication:

- “J Wray and Nephew mobilises hurricane relief for affected communities”
<https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/2024/07/14/j-wray-nephew-mobilises-hurricane-relief-affected-communities/>
- J. Wray & Nephew Limited mobilises hurricane relief efforts in Jamaica
<https://jamaica.loopnews.com/content/j-wray-nephew-limited-mobilises-hurricane-relief-efforts-jamaica>



Sandals Foundation

On July 10 & 11, 2024 Sandals Foundation partnered with **LCF, Operation Save Jamaica and New Testament Church of God** in distributing **550 Relief Care Packages** to families in Clarendon and coastal farming communities in St Elizabeth.

Publication:

"Sandals Foundation promises more support for communities ravaged by Beryl"

<https://www.jamaicaobserver.com/2024/07/15/sandals-foundation-promises-support-communities-ravaged-beryl/>





Care Package Reach

ONE WEEK after Hurricane Beryl hit Jamaica, the LASCO Chin Foundation in collaboration with our partners, distributed **1,417 Relief Care Packages** benefiting more than **4,000 people in 25 communities** who were negatively impacted by the hurricane





25 Communities Benefited from Care Packages

(As of July 12, 2024)

Kingston & St. Andrew	Clarendon	St. Elizabeth	Portland
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seaview Gardens• Waterhouse• Henley Road• Grants Pen	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gimme-Me-Bit• Milk River• Racecourse• Mitchell Town• Rocky Settlement• Waterlane• Alley/Gale• Race Course• Springfield• Kemps Hill• Portland Cottage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appleton• Junction• Bull Savannah• Sellington• Malvern• Newell• Lovers Leap• South Field• Flaggaman	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Port Antonio (Homeless Shelter)

Contents of Relief Care Packages

Food Items in Relief Care Packages (Partners Contributed \$3,500 per Package)
FOOD DRINK VANILLA 120g
LASCO MACKEREL T/SAUCE 155g
LASCO OATS PORRIDGE MIX 120G
LASCO BAKED BEANS 400g
LASCO MACARONI SHELLS 200g
CHICKEN VIENNA SAUSAGE 142g
LASCO WATER CRACKERS 143g
LASCO ROLLED OATS 200g
MARUCHAN CHICKEN CUPS INSTANT LUNCH 2.25oz
LASCO CORNFLAKES 250G
CORNED BEEF 7OZ
LASCO MARSHMALLOWS INSTANT CHOC MIX (SACHET) 28g
ICOOL WATER 500mL





NEXT STEPS





Support for Women & Children

- ✓ Recognizing the disproportionate impact of climate events on women and children, the LCF will partner with **BlinkSky Foundation** in providing **400 Relief Care Packages for single mothers** who have been significantly impacted by the hurricane.
- ✓ Distribution to the beneficiaries is expected to start during the week of **July 22, 2024**

Items in Relief Care Package for Women/Children (Partner Contribution **\$5,000** per Package)

Food Items:

FOOD DRINK VANILLA 120g

LASCO MACKEREL T/SAUCE 155g

CORNED BEEF 7OZ x 24

LASCO MARSHMALLOWS INSTANT CHOC MIX (SACHET) 28g

LASCO BAKED BEANS 400g

LASCO MACARONI SHELLS 200g

LASCO WATER CRACKERS 143g

CHICKEN VIENNA SAUSAGE 142g

LASCO OATS PORRIDGE MIX 120G

ICOOL WATER 500mL

LASCO ROLLED OATS 200g

ICOOL JUICE DRINK 330mL

Non-Food Items:

LASCARE BLUE LAUNDRY BAR SOAP (WRAPPED) 130g

VASELINE - VPJ PURE 1.75 oz

DOVE WOMEN STICK INVISIBLE SOLID POWDER 1.6OZ

LASCO ADVANCE CAVITY TOOTHPASTE 90g

CURVES OVERNIGHT MAXI WITH WINGS (COTTON) 10s

LASCO ONE & UP MILK FOOD (1 - 3 years) 400g with DHA/ARA

JACK & JILL BABY DIAPERS MEDIUM 32's

JACK AND JILL BABY WIPES 80s

LASCO ASSORTED BATH SOAP 110g



Support for Community-Based Businesses(CBBs)

- ✓ **Micro and Small Community-based Businesses** have been devastated by the Hurricane.
- ✓ On July 12, after a preliminary assessment, representatives of the *New Testament Church of God* identified **68 shops** across **21 communities** in Clarendon and St Elizabeth that were negatively impacted by Hurricane Beryl
- ✓ On July 13, the LCF prepared a ***Rapid Assessment Questionnaire*** that is currently being fielded by representatives of the *New Testament Church of God* to ascertain, *inter alia*, the extent and nature of damages to corner shops and cook shops that can provide food and other necessary items to members of the affected communities.





LCF Rapid Reconstruction & Recovery for Community-Based Businesses(CBBs)

CBB Rapid Reconstruction & Recovery Assistance

Using data from the *Rapid Assessment Questionnaire*, **LASCO Chin Foundation**, in **collaboration with Partners** aims to assist **corner shops/small grocery stores and cook shops**, mainly in the affected communities in Clarendon and St Elizabeth

Objective:

To expedite business recovery, safeguard jobs/livelihoods, and improve access to basic grocery supplies and cooked food in communities affected by Hurricane Beryl.

Assistance include:

- ✓ **Restoring cook shops**
- ✓ **Repairs to shops (especially roof repairs)**
- ✓ **Restocking basic supplies (especially water) to shops**
- ✓ **Financial assistance & advice**
- ✓ **Other assistance where required**



URGENT SUPPORT NEEDED

- 1. Relief Care Package**
 - a. Food Support**
 - b. Support for Women & Children**

- 2. Community-based Business (CBB)
Rapid Recovery Assistance**



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<https://lascofoundation.org/en/i-will-donate/hurricane-relief-care-package/>