

Project Title	Protecting Children in Emergencies by Strengthening the Capacity of Schools and their Surrounding Communities to Respond to Disasters – (Phase 1)
Implementing Agency	Office of Disaster Preparedness and Emergency Management (ODPEM)
Primary IR Classification	Preparedness and Response, Mitigation
Brief Description of Project	Training of school and community representatives to care for children in emergencies.
Currents Status	Completed
Funding Status	Funded
Estimated cost (in US Dollars)	50,000.00
Actual Cost (if known) in US Dollars	
Start Date	01/11/2005
End Date	30/11/2006
Duration (in months)	One year
General Remarks	Phase one of the project was implemented in 30 schools, that were selected by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture (MOEY&C) and classified as vulnerable.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this project was strengthened the emergency preparedness and response capacity of the most vulnerable 30 schools to natural disasters by helping them to develop Disaster Management Plans and providing the schools with a Hazard Awareness Kit for continued use and referral. These plans stemmed from the Ministry of Education master plan; and will further be used as a national guide for the development of plans for schools. The process involved the communities, community based organizations and Parish Disaster Committees in which schools are located and so, by extension, the plan will serve as the community emergency plan.

ACTIVITIES

Some of the activities conducted under the project were:

1. Training of school and community members in shelter management and basic disaster management.
2. Training of representatives in first aid and CPR.
3. Preparation of Disaster Management Plan for each school.

4. Hazard Awareness poster competition
5. Training in the use of communication equipment.

OUTPUTS

The outputs included:

1. Seventy five school employees and 75 community members from 25 targeted communities trained in shelter management, vulnerability and capacity assessment, first aid and CPR, and basic disaster management.
2. 29 schools and their communities agreed on emergency preparedness and response plans.
3. Procedures for emergency communication protocols established
4. Equipment for school communication network procured and installed.

OUTCOMES

1. Establishment of basic communication links: laminated sheet development and dissemination.
2. Development of Disaster Management Plans with the Ministry of Education, Youth and Culture
3. Trainers of trainers training
4. Procured and pre-positioned 100 child friendly kits
5. Establishment of community based Emergency Response Team
6. Training of community and school representatives in hazard management, first aid and CPR.

Target Beneficiaries

Type of Beneficiary	Remarks
School and community representatives.	Project is being implemented in various parishes covering 25 different communities.
	<p>Schools trained under the project:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Brimmervale High 2. Oracabessa, High 3. Port Maria High 4. Port Maria Infant 5. Annotto Bay High 6. Boundbrook Infant 7. Morant Bay High 8. Oberlin High 9. Donald Quarrie High 10. King Weston All Age 11. Gordon Town All Age 12. Somerset All Age 13. Alpha Infant 14. Christiana High 15. Alligator Pond Primary

	16. Bethabrah Infant 17. Slipe Leased Primary 18. Portland Cottage All Age 19. Salt Savannah Primary 20. Bustamante High 21. Vere Technical High 22. Mitchell Town Primary 23. Alley Infant 24. Clarkes Town Primary 25. Montego Bay High 26. St James High 27. Lucea Primary 28. Savannah-la-mar Primary 29. Petersfield High 30. Cornwall College	
Collaborating Agencies		
Agency	Role/ Remarks	
Ministry of Education Youth and Culture (MOEY&C)	Assisted with the implementation of the project	
Jamaica Fire Brigade	Delivered training in Fire Prevention	
Jamaica Red Cross	Provided training in First Aid and CPR	
Participating Countries		
Jamaica		
Funding Details		
Donor	Amount	Type
UNICEF	50,000.00	Grant
ODPEM	19,424.00	In-kind
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Preparedness and response, mitigation		