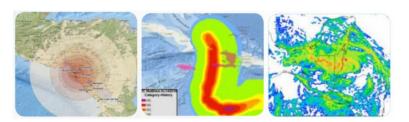


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### **Update on CCRIF Model Development - 2019**

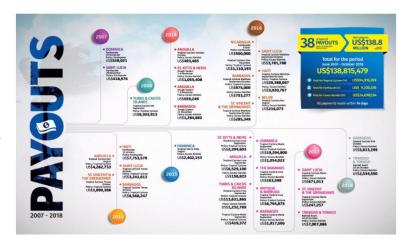


- Tropical Cyclone (TC) and Earthquake (EQ)
- Excess Rainfall (XSR)
- Excess Rainfall (XSR) Run-Off
- Drought
- Fisheries and Aquaculture
- Agriculture
- Public Utilities

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## Over 2 Million Persons Benefit Directly or Indirectly from CCRIF Payouts – A Synopsis of How Governments have used CCRIF Payouts 2007 – 2018

Since 2007, CCRIF has made 38 payouts totaling US\$138.8 million to 13 member governments. An analysis undertaken by CCRIF in 2018 shows that approximately 2.2 million persons have either been direct or indirect beneficiaries of CCRIF payouts.



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## CCRIF Supports Communities throughout the Caribbean to Reduce Vulnerability to Natural Hazards

Since 2015, CCRIF has been implementing a small grants programme as part of its wider **Technical Assistance Programme**, which provides an ongoing mechanism for grant support within the Caribbean region for capacity building initiatives and the development and implementation of projects aimed at improving the effectiveness of risk management.

Through the small grants programme, CCRIF finances small **disaster risk reduction** projects conceptualized and managed by non-governmental organizations (NGOs), community-based organizations (CBOs), charity organizations in local communities across CCRIF member countries and/or CARICOM member countries. Each project should fall within the range of US\$5,000 to US\$25,000.

In January 2019, CCRIF SPC awarded three new grants under its small grants programme:

**Humana People to People Belize (HPPB)** – to increase farmers' capacity to reduce the effects of climate change on crops in the Toledo District. The project will support farmers to be more climate resilient and build human capital through training, awareness-raising, and demonstrations. It will encourage the adoption of agricultural management methods, practices and techniques. This, in turn, will empower the farmers to enhance their livelihoods and be more resilient to the impacts and effects of climate change. It will also provide crucial inputs so the farmers can improve their individual and communal gardens.

**Fondation Amour de Dieu en Action (FADA)** in Haiti – for training and awareness about earthquake- and hurricane-resilient construction in Port-de-paix, Saint Louis north and Grosmornes. The project will train construction workers to implement codes designed by the Ministry of Public Works to reduce the vulnerability of the population to earthquakes and cyclones.







Groupe Encadré du Nord-Ouest (GAENO) in Haiti – to create tree nurseries in eight northwestern municipalities. This project expands a previous project (Phase I) which established nurseries and conducted reforestation in four initial municipalities in the lower North West Department. In Phase I, 7,600 seedlings of climate-resilient species were planted in Jean Rabel, Baie de Henne, Mole Saint Nicolas and Bonbardopolis, involving almost 200 students and community members, who also participated in training and climate awareness sessions. Four nurseries were created and are ready to provide the target communes for seedlings for reforestation in the communes. Communities no longer have trouble finding seedlings to reforest their land. A workshop on climate change for the lower northwest was held on how civil society organizations can take charge of environmental issues in their department and included discussion of the reforestation activities, Haiti's climate change policy, sources of funding for climate change projects including CCRIF's Small Grants Programme and community environmental councils.

# Applications for the CCRIF SPC Small Grants Programme are accepted throughout the year.

### Register on our platform and apply today:

https://www.ccrif.org/content/programmes/small-grantsprogramme

### CCRIF Conducts Training in Montserrat and Antigua & Barbuda

CCRIF recently concluded delivery of its training programme, Understanding Ex-Ante Disaster Financing, CCRIF Parametric Policies and the Relationship with Fiscal and Economic Policy, for the Governments of Montserrat and Antigua and Barbuda.

On January 23 & 24, 2019 CCRIF visited one of its newest members, Montserrat, to deliver the 2-day training programme to the Government. Mr. Phillip Chambers, Deputy Financial Secretary welcomed the approximately 24 participants to the workshop.



Leaders from the small groups in the Montserrat workshop prepare to present their "recommendations" of policy options for the Government





Participants from the Montserrat training

Two weeks later, on February 4 & 5, CCRIF delivered the training programme in Antigua. Financial Secretary, Mr. Whitfield Harris welcomed participants and Honourable Lennox Weston, Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (and also Minister of Works) provided the Opening Remarks. Minister Weston stressed the importance of CCRIF in strengthening the Caribbean region's response to natural catastrophes.



L-R: Budget Director Mrs. Carolyn Tonge-Charles, Assistant Financial Secretary Ms. Beverly Airall, and Financial Secretary Mr. Whitfield Harris in the training session for Antigua and Barbuda



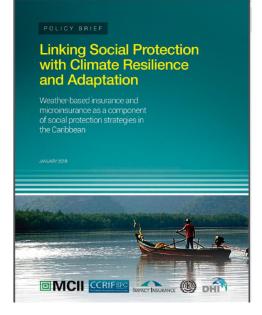


Participants from the Antigua and Barbuda training

CCRIF is offering this training programme to all member countries. Since the training programme was launched in December 2016, CCRIF has delivered the programme to approximately 200 persons in 11 of its 21 member countries. Participants have included representatives from ministries of finance and the disaster management and meteorology agencies – as well as, other ministries and agencies responsible for areas including water resource management, planning, agriculture, environmental management, infrastructure and works, climate change and sustainable development.

## Closing the Protection Gap - Linking Social Protection with Climate Resilience and Adaptation - A Policy Brief

This briefing presents a set of policy recommendations to assist governments in the region to consider social protection from a climate change perspective and identify how the social protection sector can contribute to increased resilience to the adverse impacts of climate change though the use of catastrophe risk insurance both at the sovereign and microinsurance levels – building on existing mechanisms such as CCRIF SPC and the Climate Risk Adaptation and Insurance in the Caribbean project (CRAIC).



## **Some Upcoming Events**

Date	Event	Host	Location
February 6 – 8, 2019	Climate Change Adaptation, Disaster Risk and Resilience Workshop for the Ministry of Planning and Development, Trinidad & Tobago	UN ECLAC, IDB CCRIF	Trinidad and Tobago
February 6 & 7, 2019	Regional Forum: Towards a more Resilient Central America	World Bank	Panama
February 8, 2019	Event hosted by the Government of Panama to announce their participation in CCRIF SPC	Government of Panama	Panama
February 11 & 12, 2019	Mission to Belize -Climate Risk Adaptation and Insurance in the Caribbean (CRAIC) Project Team	Government of Belize	Belize

All Upcoming Events

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