



Humanitarian Aid and Rescue Project

Operation Unified Aid

Location: Jaboin, Haiti

Impact Report

Operational Date: 10/2016

Introduction:

In 2016, the Humanitarian Aid and Rescue Project (HARP) undertook a mission to Haiti in response to the devastating impact of Hurricane Matthew. This powerful Category 5 hurricane struck on October 4, 2016, bringing torrential rain, massive storm surge, and winds reaching up to 145 mph. The initial death toll of 146 people quickly rose, and damage reports escalated in the aftermath, making Hurricane Matthew the largest humanitarian emergency in Haiti since the 2010 earthquake.

HARP's primary focus in Haiti was to provide assistance in evacuations and deliver vital medical aid to those affected by the hurricane. Recognizing the urgent need for help, HARP deployed its resources and expertise to support the affected population and alleviate the suffering caused by the disaster.

Requests:

HARP initially received requests for assistance from local individuals through a social media platform. A group was created to assess the damages and identify the urgent needs for help. Within a matter of hours, it became evident that the number of requests was remarkably high, highlighting the urgent and dire need for HARP's services in the affected area.

Methods:

Upon deploying to Haiti, HARP quickly engaged in discussions with local government and military agencies, particularly in Port-au-Prince, the capital of Haiti. During these conversations, the urgency of the situation in Jaboin, an area in dire need of aid and medical services, was highlighted. However, access to the city was impeded by a washed-out bridge, rendering it inaccessible. Recognizing the gravity of the situation, HARP swiftly embraced the challenge and initiated the development of a well-structured plan to overcome the obstacle, inevitably enabling them to reach Jaboin and provide immediate aid and medical services to those in need.

Results:

Upon arriving in Jaboin, HARP was faced with a high volume of medical requests and urgent needs for assistance. During the first four days, HARP's dedicated members provided medical aid to over 400 individuals in the area. Additionally, within the initial 10 days of their operation, HARP partnered with the U.S. military and gained support from USAID to distribute over 4 tons of vital supplies, including food, toiletries, and care products. The U.S. military's helicopters, known as Ospreys, also played a critical role in delivering these provisions to those in need for HARP.

Challenges:

During this operation, HARP encountered a significant challenge in delivering essential supplies to a remote and inaccessible area. However, the organization rose to the occasion and tackled this obstacle with determination. By engaging and mobilizing local citizens, HARP successfully created multiple clearings that enabled safe, organized, and secure helicopter landings. This collaborative effort resulted in the efficient delivery of crucial resources, contributing to the operation's overall success.

Impact:

The impact made by HARP during this operation was truly remarkable. They provided vital medical treatment to over 400 individuals, ensuring their well-being in the aftermath of the disaster. Additionally, HARP's efforts in providing sustenance were substantial, as they fed over 600 families continuously for a duration of 6 months. The organization also carried out over 24 life-saving rescues, demonstrating its commitment to saving lives in perilous situations. Furthermore, HARP's provision of numerous water filtration systems helped address the urgent need for clean and safe drinking water, benefiting the affected communities significantly.

Future Missions -How You Can Help

You can contribute significantly to the Humanitarian Aid and Rescue Project (HARP) and support their future operations by donating a generous donation today at www.HarpRescue.org. Your donation will be crucial in enabling HARP to continue its life-saving work in providing aid and assistance to those in need. Your support will directly impact the lives of individuals affected by conflict, natural disasters, and other challenging circumstances. Visit the website now to make a meaningful difference and join HARP in its mission to bring hope, relief, and a brighter future to those who need it most.