



QUARTERLY REPORT

Project Name: Tafea Emergency Response Project

Country: Vanuatu

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OVERVIEW

CARE's Tafea Emergency Response Project aims to meet the lifesaving needs of the most vulnerable populations, especially women and girls and people with disabilities, affected by Cyclone Pam in Tafea Province, Vanuatu. CARE's overall response in the first 3 months of the response (March to June) has provided hygiene and shelter kits and awareness training to the total population of Erromango, Aniwa, Futuna and 2 areas of Tanna (Whitesands, and Middle bush) with a total coverage Total Pop 17,560 (4928 HH)

By the time the full OFDA award contract was signed on the 16th June 2015 the type of activities and coverage area CARE specified in the original proposal had been mostly completed including distribution of hygiene kits, and awareness and emergency shelter materials due to communities' immediate needs. With this in mind CARE has shifted some of the focus of the OFDA funded project to include West Tanna that have not yet received assistance. Across Tafea Province the need for ongoing water, sanitation, hygiene and shelter assistance remains high and recent assessments completed in June by CARE suggest there are significant areas of unmet need in shelter and hygiene promotion.

CARE technical assessments recommend that further hygiene promotion awareness is provided to fill gaps in coverage and to ensure the messages are reinforced over the coming months. Awareness is particularly required in the outer islands of Erromango, Aniwa and Futuna where to date none has been carried out. Our assessments also highlight the need to do basic repairs on water systems affected by the cyclone in order to ensure potable water supply and maintain hygiene gains post cyclone.

There are also unmet needs on the Island of Tanna in shelter. In the provincial disaster plan, Shelter inputs for West Tanna were planned to be covered by another organisation. This did not eventuate and as a result some communities in West Tanna have not received any shelter support. In June CARE used OFDA funding to distribute 155 shelter kits (surplus from previous distributions) to the most vulnerable areas of West Tanna. The communities in West Tanna still require both repair and fixing kits and CARE proposes to address this gap with support from OFDA and another.

Assessments have found that the need for temporary shelter support following Cyclone Pam was more significant than was first realised. Shelter now remains the number one priority requested by communities across Vanuatu. Communities are feeling frustrated that they have large fallen trees all around them but no way to mill them in order to assist in building shelter. CARE will be using OFDA funds to distribute community shelter repair kits (CSRKs) that include a chain saw and mill, safety equipment and basic spare parts to 9 communities in Erromango Island and 6 isolated communities in Tanna to assist them to utilise available timber to rebuild more rapidly. While this is a small departure from the original activity to distribute basic shelter kits, the evolving nature of the response and the delay in award processing has warranted this adjustment. In addition, the distribution of CSRKs is still in line with originally proposed sectors and sub-sectors and will support the original scope and objectives.



SECTOR 1 LOGISTICS SUPPORT AND RELIEF COMMODITIES

Objective: Provide relief supplies to households affected by Cyclone Pam

Subsector 1: Non-food items

CARE has completed tarpaulin, shelter and hygiene kit distribution to our original target areas specified in the OFDA proposal prior to OFDA funds becoming available. The exception to this is that Aniwa and Futuna Islands has not yet received hygiene kits. CARE has already procured the hygiene kits for these islands using other donor funds but they have not been distributed. Utilizing OFDA funds CARE will distribute hygiene kits to 1154 individuals on Aniwa and Futuna (270 HH).

Subsector 2: Transport (Air/Land/Sea)

Air, Sea and Land trips have been needed to distribute relief items and people to distribution sites. WASH and Shelter teams have travelled to the outer islands of Tafea Province to undertake assessments that have established the ongoing community needs, and distribute the remaining hygiene kits and undertake shelter awareness sessions. Transport will be required for ongoing hygiene promotion activities and shelter work for the remainder of the OFDA funding period.

SECTOR 2 SHELTER AND SETTLEMENTS

Objective: Provide supplies and technical support to jump-start repairs of housing or establish temporary shelter in the aftermath of Cyclone Pam

Subsector 1 name: Emergency/Transitional Shelter

Prior to the OFDA full award being contracted CARE distributed shelter kits on Tanna Island, covering the areas of Middlebush and Whitesands using alternative donor funds. In late May we were made aware of gaps in the coverage of shelter kit distribution by other agencies for the population of West Tanna. In June CARE distributed 155 shelter kits to West Tanna reaching a population of 635 people using OFDA funds. CARE also has begun the procurement process for another 625 shelter kits to be distributed by August.

CARE has been an active member in the shelter cluster at the national level and is trialing the cluster agreed building techniques that will assist communities to recover quicker. One of the successful initiatives of CARE has been the Build Back Safer (BBS) awareness sessions that have been adapted to the local context. The awareness sessions focus on simple build-back-safer principles; selecting location; foundation; strong connections; and cross-bracing. The awareness sessions build on existing local knowledge and emphasise some of the advantages of traditional building typologies for examples the bracing and dome shaping of traditional housing that makes them more resilient to cyclones. BBS awareness sessions are facilitated by mixed gender teams and participants are both men and women, equipping all community members with the knowledge to take an active role in their recovery.

In June using OFDA funding CARE undertook 6 BBS awareness sessions in Erromango with communities reaching 1974 pp (470 HH).



CHALLENGES FACED

A key challenge to delivering emergency assistance to the remote islands of Tafea Province in Vanuatu is logistics. Transport of both CARE staff and relief items from Port Vila to the islands has been under estimated in the budget. Shipping is possible to both Erromango and Tanna Islands, however in the case of Erromango banana boats must be used to move relief items from a ship to the shore. In Tanna distribution carried out using trucks but the roads are unpaved and therefore difficult to navigate. Some areas of Tanna are inaccessible when it rains.

MONITORING TRACKING TABLE

Award level and sector level beneficiaries reached this quarter:

AWARD LEVEL <i>(does not include repeat beneficiaries)</i>	Total number of beneficiaries (incl. IDP)	IDP Beneficiaries (only)
Cumulative Period Targeted	5000	0
Reporting Period Reached	2609	0
Cumulative Reached	2609	0

SECTOR 1: Logistics Support and Relief Commodities	Total number of beneficiaries (incl. IDP)	IDP Beneficiaries (only)
Cumulative Period Targeted	5000	0
Reporting Period Reached	1974	0
Cumulative Reached	1974	0

SECTOR 2: Shelter and Settlements	Total number of beneficiaries (incl. IDP)	IDP Beneficiaries (only)
Cumulative Period Targeted	1500	0
Reporting Period Reached	635	0
Cumulative Reached	635	0

Indicator	Target	Q1	Q2	Cumulative	% of target met	Comments
Sector Name: Logistics Support and Relief Commodities						
Subsector Name: Non-food Items						
Indicator 1: Total # per item USD cost of NFIs distributed, by type	300	0	0	0	0%	Distribution of hygiene kits on Futuna and Aniwa planned for July/August.
Indicator 2: Total # of people receiving NFI's, by sex and type	5000	0	0	0	0%	Distribution of hygiene kits on Futuna and Aniwa planned for July/August.
Indicator 3: Total # of people reached by build-back-safer and hygiene promotion messaging	5000	0	1974	1974	39%	6 communities in Erromango have received build back safer messaging.
Subsector Name: Transport (air/land/sea)						



Indicator 1: Total USD cost of Transport by type	Air: \$4,500 Land: \$3,375 Sea:\$45,000	0	Commodities: 660 Personnel: 440	Commodities: 660 Personnel: 440	0% 18% 1%	Estimate only final costs are yet to be verified
Indicator 2: Number of people transported, by transport type (e.g. land, sea, air)		0	Total: 19 Air: 5 Land: 14	Total: 19 Air: 5 Land: 14		
Indicator 3: Total # of flights/trips provided by type	20	Commodities: 3 Personnel: 2	0 0	Commodities: 3 Personnel: 2	25% 25%	Air, Sea and Land trips have been needed to distribute relief items and people to distribution/assessment sites.
Indicator 4: Total kilograms of commodities transported by transport type	TBD	0	0	0	0	Commodities are still being purchased so end weight is currently unknown

Sector Name: Shelter and Settlements

Subsector Name: Emergency/Transitional Shelter

Indicator 1: Number of households in the program area receiving emergency/transitional shelter	300	0	127	127	42%	West Tanna shelter kit distribution
Indicator 2: Number of households in the program area receiving emergency/transitional shelter pursuant to Sphere Project Standards and FOG guidelines	300	0	127	127	42%	West Tanna shelter kit distribution
Indicator 3: % of total affected population in the program area receiving emergency/transitional shelter assistance, disaggregated by sex	4.6% (1,500 of 32,540 persons)	0	1.95% (Female: 0.95% Male: 1.0%)	1.95% (Female: 0.95% Male: 1.0%)	42%	Total figures - breakdown of figures being collated
Indicator 4: Total USD amount and % of approved project budget for emergency/transitional shelter spend on goods and services produced in the affected host country economy	\$142,923	0	TBD	TBD	TBD	These figures are not yet available

MAIN ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT QUARTER

NFI's

- Utilizing OFDA funds CARE will distribute hygiene kits to 270 HH on Aniwa and Futuna (1154 individuals).



- CARE will also provide hygiene promotion awareness activities to the entire population of Erromango, Aniwa and Futuna Islands (836HH, 3697 individuals).

Shelter

- CARE is expecting to reach up to 600 HH by distributing 15 Community Shelter Repair Kits to isolated communities on Erromango and Tanna. This will include training on maintenance and safety in handling a chain saw that will be delivered to both men and women.
- CARE will fill an unmet need for shelter repair kits in West Tanna. It is expected that CARE can reach a further 2540 beneficiaries (635 HH) with shelter kits. This distribution will be accompanied by BBS awareness funded by another donor.

PICTURES



Photo 1 (upper left): Community house destroyed – Whitesand-Tanna; **Photo 2 (upper right):** Women BBS trainer undertaking training in Port Narvin Erromango; **Photo 3 (lower left):** Distribution of Hygiene kits in Aniwa; **Photo 4 (lower right):** Community BBS Training –Ipota Erromango

ANNEX 1:

