Lessons Learnt:
Always have a contingency plan and be flexible in order to maintain project objectives, timelines and deadlines. Include in this plan must be the ability to secure removable assets, once adequate warning is available.

Beneficiaries:
The Public: Men, Women, Children, elderly, populace in the communities of Paaro, Rose Hall, Bequia, Canouan, Mayreau, Union Island, Anis, Vulk, and Campanon Park.
Archipelago of St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

Lessons Learnt:
The process of having eligible beneficiaries for project promotion and response is not to drive the initiative towards a greater sense of openness about the future. This lesson learnt is before starting the annual communication workshop to provide training for eligible volunteer women in the areas of conflict resolution, work principles, elementary bookkeeping, gender issues and leadership.

Beneficiaries:
Women belonging to the community that are involved in the emergency response.

Lessons Learnt:
The lesson learnt is before starting the actual construction work, provide initial training for 10 community emergency responders within their district. Planning continues to function. The functioning of the command centre should any situation that down because of overload and radios continued to function. The functioning of DEO’s district emergency organization is critical as well since they are first responders with within their district. Planning and practicing procedures are critical.

Beneficiaries:
From 5 – 11 parishes - All residents of Barbados. 100 DEO radio operators (75% male, 25% female) from the 11 parishes District Emergency Organizations (DEO) trained to operate 18 VHF hand held radios and 12 complete base stations. Form of these are ham radio and early warning systems.

Lessons Learnt:
It’s essential, once a hurricane hits… communication is the key to making sure we understand what is going on.*

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