

CCSJ ASKS CITIZENS TO GIVE GENEROUSLY TO HURRICANE RELIEF SEPTEMBER 9, 2004

The Catholic Commission for Social Justice joins in the call to all T&T citizens to give generously to hurricane relief efforts.

Our sympathies and prayers are with our brothers and sisters whose lives have been devastated by the passage of recent hurricanes.

During their hour of need we must stand in solidarity not only with those in Tobago, Grenada, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Barbados, St Lucia and Miami and who have been directly affected by these hurricanes, but also their relatives and friends. Many T&T citizens have strong family ties to the areas that have been hit.

Our ability to perform our full humanitarian mission of support to those in need can only be sustained by generous contributions of concerned citizens of T&T. We need to respond to the real need that exists in these areas as there will be various forms of hardship.

Your contribution and mine can make a difference. Please deliver your donations to any of the following:

Government organised relief: Shed 3, Cruise Ship Complex, Wrightson Rd., POS.

Red Cross organised relief: Make financial donations at any Republic Bank (RB) branch to account no. 1804638401 or just ask for the Tobago/Grenada appeal account at any RB branch.

Catholic organised relief: Make financial or material donations at any St Vincent de Paul Conference (SVP) throughout T&T or at SVP's office on Duncan St., POS, or Independence Avenue, San Fernando. Ring Yvette Woodruffe on 625 3562 for further information.

NGO organised relief e.g. FEEL, Fernandes Complex, Laventille: Tel 624 7758.

The following are just some ideas of the kind of contributions that you can make to the relief efforts:

blankets, non-perishable foods e.g. canned food, plastic sheeting, bed sheets, building material, bottled water, roofing materials (galvanise, nails, hammers, lumber), cots, mattresses, tarpaulins, tents, household items, baby supplies (diapers, wipes, formula), sanitary napkins, cleaning supplies (mops, brooms, disinfectant), coffee, tea, powdered milk/fruit drinks, personal care items (toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shampoo, soap), paper goods, shoes, clothes etc.