

Rapid Response Fund (RRF)

Section 1: Overview of response	
Nicaragua	Tropical Storm Nate in Nicaragua
Summary	Council of Protestant Churches in Nicaragua (CEPAD)
Implementation period	30 October 2017 to 30 January 2018 3 (months)
Geographical area	26 villages, 3 municipalities in the departments of Carazo, Managua and Boaco, Nicaragua
Sectors of response	Food security
Targeted beneficiaries	To provide 700 Households in 26 communities with emergency assistance through the distribution of food. Selection Criteria for target population <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Households under the line of poverty which have incurred serious damages to their livelihoods. - Households which are not receiving support from other entities in the sectors included in the RRF. <p>Vulnerable groups such as households with disabled members, single mothers, pregnant women, children and elderly population will be prioritized.</p>
Requested Budget (USD)	\$ 58,676.00US DOLLARS
Is there an updated ACT Forum EPRP?	There is an EPRP but need to be updated
Section 2: Narrative Summary	
Background	
<p>Tropical storm "Nate" formed on Thursday the 5th of October off the Caribbean coast of Nicaragua. The storm caused heavy rains and landslides throughout several countries in Central America. According to the report of SINAPRED (National System for Disaster Prevention), 73 municipalities from 11 departments were affected by heavy rains and winds (Chontales, Madriz, Boaco, Rio San Juan, Nueva Segovia, Triangulo Minero, Carazo, Rivas, Granada and the North Caribbean.). There are varying degrees damage throughout the 124 neighborhoods and communities. 8236 houses were reported to have incurred some type of damage, of which 33 are totally destroyed; moreover, 6185 houses were flooded, and 27 remain at risk. 425 people were evacuated to solidarity homes. There are 14 isolated communities in Granada, Rivas, Carazo and Madriz. The Nicaraguan authorities have registered 16 fatalities as direct result of the storm. The government of Nicaragua has provided food supplies for more than 1600 affected households. The Ministry of Health has deployed 56 medical brigades composed of 544 health workers to the affected areas. Food security assessments are being carried out and protection measures are being taken for vulnerable people in affected villages.</p>	
Humanitarian Needs	
<p>Data collected by the National System for Disaster Prevention in the affected communities indicates, that tropical storm Nate has critically damaged main livelihoods and food stocks. The population affected by Tropical Storm Nate in Nicaragua are in dire need of food, shelter, health services, access to safe water and restoration of livelihood. For this response requesting member along with the local partner organizations has identified gaps in food security. More specifically, the pollution of households' available water sources, especially wells, remains a big issue, as they were exposed to high levels of contamination due to overflowing rivers and increased rainfall.</p>	

Capacity

The ACT Forum in Nicaragua has many years of experience in humanitarian response. More specifically, in 1998, the ACT Forum in Nicaragua effectively responded to communities affected by hurricane Mitch, and have responded to several emergencies since then; including other major events between 2007-2008 when the country was hit by hurricanes Bertha and Felix respectively. Emergency response for minor emergencies such as floods and an earthquake in the municipality of Leon was carried out in 2014. The ACT Forum in Nicaragua through its local members Interchurch Center For Theological and Social Studies (CIEETS), Council of Protestant Churches in Nicaragua (CEPAD) has also participated in the implementation of two (regional appeals in Central America, in response to households affected by droughts in 2014-2015. CEPAD is going to implement the RRF in close coordination with Interchurch Center for Theological and Social Studies (CIEETS), both organizations are ACT local members, and are going to be implementing partners in this response. The ACT Forum in Nicaragua has a strategic plan and an EPRR. The members of the ACT Forum have the capacity to respond in the affected area due to the understanding of the context and operational presence.

Proposed response

Does the proposed response honors ACT's commitment to Child Safeguarding? <http://actalliance.org/documents/act-alliance-child-safeguarding-guidance-document/> Yes No

Problems	Households have lost their household items, their homes and livelihoods are damaged, and are facing significant barriers in order to meet their basic needs such as access to food.													
Target beneficiaries	700 households directly affected by tropical storm Nate, representing a population of 2464 (Men 683, Women 670 Boys 652, Girls 509)													
	ACT Members	Geographic area			No. of families	Goal Population. Disaggregated for sex and age								
		Department	Municipality	Comunities		0-5 years		6-17 years		18-65 years		65		Total
					H	M	H	M	H	M	H	M		
	CIEETS	Carazo	La Conquista	El Nance	25	9	10	14	13	24	18	9	4	101
				Santa Elena	30	8	8	10	13	22	25	9	11	106
				El Gigante	25	3	4	6	9	16	16	8	4	66
				Naranjo	35	9	7	8	9	21	13	9	7	83
				El Mojón	30	5	7	9	11	25	26	6	8	97
				Tecomapita	20	6	4	11	9	18	14	5	7	74
				Vainilla No 2	20	3	6	10	9	10	6	8	7	59
				Las Cabeceras	25	7	11	15	11	16	18	7	8	93
				La Solera	20	4	5	12	14	22	16	5	9	87
				El Remate	17	2	6	11	13	17	19	4	7	79
				San Jorge	20	6	7	10	11	23	21	8	6	92
				El Raisudo	18	4	7	18	15	18	20	6	6	94
	El Encierro	15	8	5	16	11	20	17	9	6	92			
	Total CIEETS				300	74	87	150	148	252	229	93	90	1123

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CEPAD	Carazo	Jinotepe	Zapotal	30	17	10	17	3	22	9	9	3	90
			Bosque	30	13	17	11	4	15	22	8	7	97
			Polvazal	30	15	13	9	8	13	23	8	4	93
	La Conquista	Buena Vista	30	16	13	11	5	15	23	7	5	95	
		Brasil	30	17	13	13	5	19	12	13	6	98	
		Sta. Gertrudis	30	12	18	10	6	15	23	7	9	100	
	Teustepe	Boaco	La Joya	30	20	15	13	18	18	18	5	4	111
			Llano Grande	30	5	4	9	11	25	26	8	9	97
			Aguas Caliente	40	16	17	14	19	23	27	7	5	128
			La Concepción	30	20	10	15	19	19	18	5	4	110
			Mercedes del Rancho	30	7	11	18	19	23	25	4	3	110
			El Pochotal	30	13	15	11	9	17	26	4	5	100
	El Nancital	30	9	12	12	15	23	26	6	9	112		
	Total CEPAD				400	180	168	163	141	247	278	91	73
TOTAL				700	254	255	313	289	499	507	184	163	2464

Activities	In coordination with local authorities, the following activities will be carried out: 1. Purchase and distribution of food packages (each package will be composed of 20 lbs. of rice, 7 lbs of sugar, 10 lbs of corn, 5 lbs. of cereal, 20 lbs of beans, 1 lbs of coffee, 1 gallon of cooking oil, 2 lbs of salt) Two deliveries will be carried out.
Specific objective/ Outputs	1. 700 affected households meet their basic food needs over a period of 2 months. (See details of each article on the 2nd sheet)
Overall objective	Addressing the emergency needs of households affected by the tropical storm Nate in 26 villages in 3 municipalities in Nicaragua.

Reporting Schedule

Type of Report	Due date
Situation report	30 November
Final narrative and financial report (60 days after the ending date)	28 February 2018
Audit report (90 days after the ending date)	30 March 2018

Monitoring and evaluation

Council of Protestant Churches in Nicaragua (CEPAD) will be responsible for the overall implementation of the project and will establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with CIEETS. CEPAD in coordination with CIEETS will establish coordination with other humanitarian actors at field level, as well as with local authorities. Regular meetings will be held, in order to share information concerning progress

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in the implementation process. The monitoring and evaluation will include regular visits to follow up on the achievement of results, and preparation of a situation reports, as well as the final reports. CEPAD with the Nicaragua ACT Forum will lead meetings to make appropriate decisions for successful implementation. A final report will be submitted by CEPAD following the guidelines provided by ACT. The monitoring and evaluation will consist of field visits to the communities with the participation of the involved staff, in accordance with established procedures. A final report and final evaluation will be presented to ACT Alliance.

Section 3: ACT Alliance coordination

Coordination

CEPAD serves as the overall coordinator of the response and will coordinate the implementation of the response with CIEETS. Coordination has been established with the governments and local networks, in order to facilitate the implementation, the implementing organizations are going to work in close coordination with local authorities, local leaders in the concerned communities as well as with relevant stakeholders to avoid duplication of efforts. The implementation mechanisms are activated and managed by the members involved in this proposal: CEPAD and CIEETS.

Implementation arrangements

CEPAD is going to work in close coordination with CIEETS, as well as with the forum members. Coordination will be established with the local governments and local networks in order to facilitate the implementation. Accountability for the delivery of this response will follow open and transparent processes. CEPAD will sign a specific cooperation agreement with CIEETS. CEPAD will be responsible for the M&E activities, and report to ACT Alliance. The local leadership will be actively involved in the execution and monitoring activities related to this response.

Human resources and administration of funds

CEPAD have financial and administrative procedures which will be applied for the administration of funds. CEPAD will transfer funds to CIEETS for the implementation of the response in their respective areas of intervention. Food products will be purchased based on the quality of products and suitable prices defined by 3 quotes. It is important to mention that CEPAD and CIEETS have efficient accountability systems. There will be a coordinator of the project who will be responsible for the timely implementation of the stated activities. CEPAD is going to create a separated account for the RRF budget administration. Each implementing member will delegate a person to assure the timely implementation of the response.

Communications

The implementing organizations are going to carry the logo of ACT alliance during the distribution of aid. Photos and stories will be provided for communication purposes. Regular reporting will be share within the alliance, as well as life stories.

Section 4: Budget Summary

EXPENDITURE

	Type of	No. of	Unit Cost	Appeal	Appeal	
	Unit	Units	C\$	Budget	Budget	
				C\$	USD	
DIRECT COSTS						
1 PROGRAM STAFF						
1.1.	Project Coordinator	month	3	15,250	45,750	1,502.20 2.6%
1.2.	Staff (2 Persons)	month	3	23,180	69,540	2,283.35 3.9%

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1.9.					0	0.00	0.0%
	TOTAL PROGRAM STAFF				115,290	3,786	6.5%
	Description	Type of	No. of	Unit Cost	Appeal	Appeal	
		Unit	Units	Córdobas	Córdobas	USD	
2	PROGRAM ACTIVITIES						
2.1.	Food security				1321,600	43,394.75	74.0%
							0.0%
2.1.	1 Rice	pounds	28,000	13	364,000	11,951.94	20.4%
2.1.	2 Sugar	pounds	9,800	12	117,600	3,861.40	0.07
2.1.	3 Corn	pounds	7,000	4	28,000	919.38	1.6%
2.1.	4 Cereal	pounds	7,000	6	42,000	1,379.07	2.4%
2.1.	5 Bean	pounds	28,000	15	420,000	13,790.70	23.5%
2.1.	6 Coffe	pounds	1,400	80	112,000	3,677.52	6.3%
2.1.	8 Cooking Oil	galons	1,400	160	224,000	7,355.04	12.5%
2.1.	9 Salt	pounds	2,800	5	14,000	459.69	0.8%
	TOTAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES				1321,600	43,395	74.0%
3	PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION						
3.1.	Translation	global	1	10,000	10,000	328.35	0.6%
3.2.	Communication / visibility	global	1	9,140	9,140	300.11	0.5%
3.3.	Staff meals for field visits	Month	3	8,500	25,500	837.29	1.4%
3.4.	Monitoring & evaluation	Month	3	12,000	36,000	1,182.06	2.0%
3.5.	Coordination Meeting with ACT Forum Nicaragua	Month	3	3,000	9,000	295.52	0.5%
3.6.	Coordination Meeting (Implementing Members)	units	6	1,000	6,000	197.01	0.3%
3.8.	0 Audit	unit	1	18,274	18,274	600.03	1.0%
	TOTAL PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION				113,914	3,740	6.4%
4	PROGRAM LOGISTICS						
	Transport (of relief materials)						
4.1.	Hire/ Rental of Vehicles	Month	2.5	8,000	20,000	656.70	1.1%
	Food Packing	kits	1,400.0	24	33,600	1,103.26	1.9%
4.2.	Fuel	Month	2.5	12,200	30,500	1,001.47	1.7%
4.3.	Transportation of Food kits	kits	1,400	45	62,850	2,063.68	3.5%
	TOTAL PROGRAM LOGISTICS				146,950	4,825	8.2%
	TOTAL DIRECT COST				1697,754	55,746	95.0%

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INDIRECT COSTS: PERSONNEL, ADMINISTRATION & SUPPORT						
e.g. Staff salaries						
Salaries e. g % for Finance Director). CEPAD	Months	3	7,350	22,050	724.01	1.2%
Salaries for accountant and other admin or secretarial staff CIEETS and CEPAD.)	Months	3	10,000	30,000	985.05	1.7%
Office Operations						0.0%
Office Utilities	Months	3	3,900	11,700	384.17	0.7%
Communications						
Telephone and fax	Months	3	8,500	25,500	837.29	1.4%
Other						
TOTAL INDIRECT COST: PERSONNEL, ADMIN. & SUPPORT				89,250	2,931	5.0%
				5%	5%	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE				1787,004	58,676	100.0%

Section 5: Annexes

I. Annex 1 – Contact and bank details

Bank Account Name	CEPAD (Consejo de Iglesias Evangélicas Pro Alianza Denominacional.
Bank Account Number	1001-07-1-0129532
Bank Account Currency	USD (Dollar)
Local Bank Name	BANPRO, Banco de la Producción
Local Bank Address (postal Code)	EDIFICIO CORPORATIVO BANPRO, CONTIGUO A PRICE MART, Managua Nicaragua, SWIFT BAPRNIMA
Foreigner responsible Bank Name (USA)	Check the list bellow
Foreigner BANK Address	Check the list bellow
SWIFT ó SORT CODE	
CONTACT Person in the Institution	Dámaris Albuquerque Espinoza
Complete Address of NGO	De la rotonda el periodista, 300 mts al Sur, 300 mts al Este. Managua, Nicaragua Teléfono 2270 - 5017, Apartado Postal 3091
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II. Datos



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ACTION

The ACT Secretariat has approved the use of US\$ 58,676.00 towards the budget from its Rapid Response Fund and would be grateful to receive contributions to wholly or partially replenish this payment. Should there be an appeal for this emergency, the RRF payment will be considered as an advance.

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