Hurricane Dorian, the second-strongest Atlantic storm on record and the strongest to ever strike The Bahamas, made landfall on September 1, 2019 as a Category 5 storm with sustained winds of 180 mph. The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) deployed a Disaster Assistance Response Team (DART) on September 2, 2019 to lead the U.S. Government's humanitarian response in coordination with the Government of Commonwealth of The Bahamas.

**Critical Relief Supplies**
USAID is providing more than 53 metric tons from our warehouse in Miami to help an estimated 54,000 people. This includes:

- **700** Rolls of heavy-duty plastic sheeting to meet urgent shelter needs
- **4,400** Buckets and water containers to provide safe drinking water
- **1,600** Hygiene kits to prevent disease
- **4** Chainsaw kits to help remove debris

**USAID Disaster Assistance Response Team**
At its peak, the DART included:

- **42** USAID Disaster Experts
- **64** Search and Rescue Professionals
- **4** Canines
- **50,000** Pounds of Inflatable Boats, Equipment, and Medical Supplies

**Food Assistance**
USAID helped to provide 14,000 ready-to-eat meals.

**U.S. Military Assistance**
U.S. military ships and helicopters supported USAID by transporting more than 147 metric tons of humanitarian cargo and 445 response staff.

**Nearly $34 million**
provided by the United States to help affected communities.