



FIRST LOOK AT AREAS HIT BY HURRICANE MATTHEW

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We are hearing more devastating stories from our team and partners in Les Cayes. Hope for Haiti's Education Program Coordinator, Ronald, has family living in Saint Jean du Sud, a seaside community in southern Haiti. His 80-year-old father is one of six family members living there. Sadly, Ronald's family is one of 47 families whose homes were completely destroyed from torrential rains and hurricane force winds. Currently, people are living out in the open, as there is no shelter left at all. These families have lost everything. They are completely cut off with no communication or ability to reach assistance. Learning that some of our seaside partners have been washed away has left us all heartbroken.

As team members assessed damage in downtown Les Cayes today, it became clear that reaching some staff and partners would not be possible. Flooding was substantial; roads were impassable; entire crops were washed away. In response to the immediate need for food, the team is mobilizing for food distributions to partners in Les Cayes tomorrow.

We remain committed to raising awareness and support for our team and partners. The needs are vast and immediate. Until transportation channels are re-opened and we can buy locally, we are looking to airlift supplies directly to our partners. 100% of your donations will go directly to Hurricane Matthew relief efforts. Please consider making a gift **TODAY**.

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