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DTM HURRICANE DORIAN, THE BAHAMAS

**ROUND 2: CHILDREN-ONLY COLLECTIVE
SITES HOSTING EVACUEES**

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As part of the Hurricane Dorian emergency response coordinated by NEMA and its partners, the International Organization for Migration (IOM) presents the Site Profiles Report for Children-Only Collective Sites Hosting Evacuees aged 1-18 years old on the Island of New Providence, The Bahamas. This document is part of a series of ongoing efforts conducted by IOM in close coordination with the Protection Working Group (PWG) to inform service providers and humanitarian actors on main needs while reducing survey fatigue of key informants by streamlining assessment activities.

Before Hurricane Dorian, the collective sites presented in this report provided essential services to children under the care of the state. After the hurricane, the sites started receiving evacuees and currently house over 40 affected children, mostly from Grand Bahama. IOM in close coordination with the PWG commends the managers, staff, volunteers and donors of the Ranfurly Homes for Children, the Children's Emergency Hostel and the Nazareth Centre for their dedication to the children and support in providing information for this report.

Lastly, IOM in coordination with the PWG advises to include the entire population in these collective sites as beneficiaries to ensure adherence to the protection principle, as outlined in the Humanitarian Charter, to "Ensure people's access to assistance according to need and without discrimination."

General Objective:

Provide information on population and main needs of Children-only Collective Sites Hosting Evacuees affected by Dorian Hurricane in the Island of New Providence.

Specific Objectives:

1. Streamline relevant and timely information for all humanitarian partners involved in the emergency response.
2. Identify main gaps or needs by sector to support response coordination.

Methodology:

Instrument: Semi-structured questionnaire with categorical variables developed in coordination with the Protection Working Group partners.

Data Collection: Key informant interviews (collective center managers and/or staff) complemented by field visits and observations.

Reference period: 2-3 October 2019.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

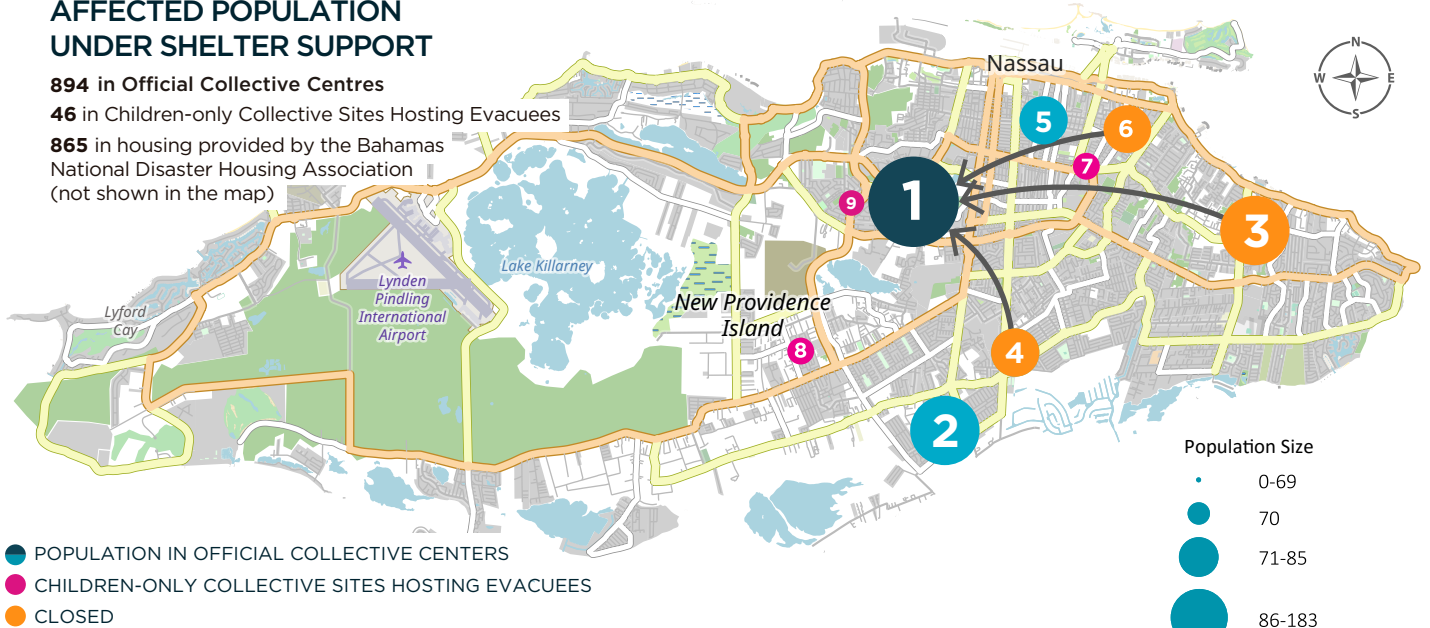
1,805

AFFECTED POPULATION UNDER SHELTER SUPPORT

- 894** in Official Collective Centres
- 46** in Children-only Collective Sites Hosting Evacuees
- 865** in housing provided by the Bahamas National Disaster Housing Association (not shown in the map)

AFFECTED POPULATION IN OFFICIAL COLLECTIVE CENTRES AND PRIVATE HOUSING IN NEW PROVIDENCE

11 October 2019 (17:00 Hrs. GMT-5)



- POPULATION IN OFFICIAL COLLECTIVE CENTERS
- CHILDREN-ONLY COLLECTIVE SITES HOSTING EVACUEES
- CLOSED

POPULATION IN OFFICIAL COLLECTIVE CENTERS

Name	Occupancy 11 Oct	Change from 10 Oct
1. Sir Kendall Isaacs Gym	682	6.4%
2. Bahamas Academy Gym	150	0.0%
3. Fox Hill Community Center	0	0.0%
4. All Saints Community Centre	0	0.0%
5. Calvary Haitian Baptist Church	62	0.0%
6. Pilgrim Baptist Church	0	-100.0%
Total	894	-0.7%

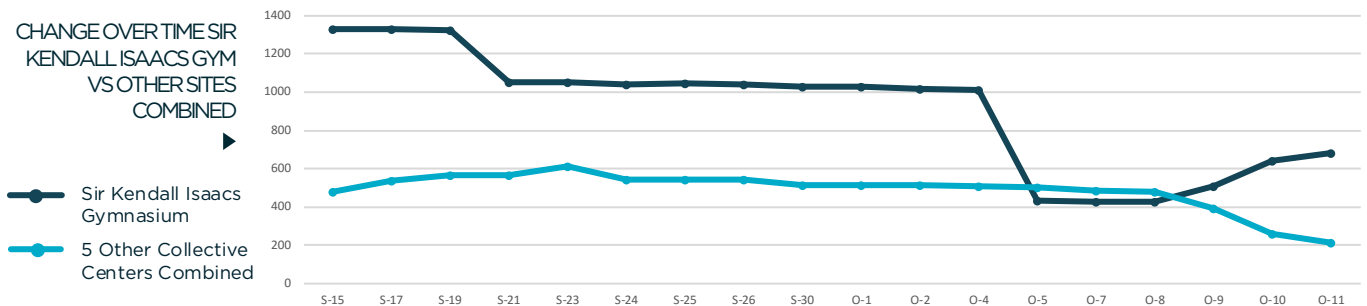
CHILDREN-ONLY COLLECTIVE SITES HOSTING EVACUEES*

Name	Occupancy
7. Ranfurly Home for Children	24
8. Children's Emergency Hostel	15
9. Nazareth Centre	7
Total	46

Source: Ministry of Social Services and Urban Development <http://bit.ly/2V9cuYe>
Pacific Disaster Center (PDC)

<https://www.pdc.org/events/hurricane-dorian-response-2019>

*Only evacuated children as reported by site managers



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KEY FACTS AND FIGURES

46 EVACUEES IN CHILDREN-ONLY COLLECTIVE SITES



This group represents **31%** OF THE TOTAL POPULATION ON-SITES

VULNERABLE GROUPS



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Evacuees with physical disabilities



1

Evacuees with mental disabilities



7

Evacuees with potential chronic illnesses

EDUCATION

- Children in these sites have **ACCESS TO EDUCATION SERVICES** both formal (off-site) and informal (on-site).
- **MOST OF THE CHILDREN (>75%)** attend local schools off-site.

MAIN NEEDS



Key informants in 2 out of 3 sites reported **soap** as one of the **most frequent needs** for its population.



Key informants in 2 out of 3 sites reported **clothing and blankets** as one of the **most frequent needs** for its population.



Key informants of one site reported specific needs on **medicines and medical equipment** for several health problems (e.g. heart problems, hypertension, etc.)

HEALTH

All of the sites have **access to regular medicines and health facilities**. However, in one of them, access to health is off-site.

Reported health problems include: hypertension, diabetes, cerebral palsy, seizure disorder, scoliosis, asthma, chest pain, etc.

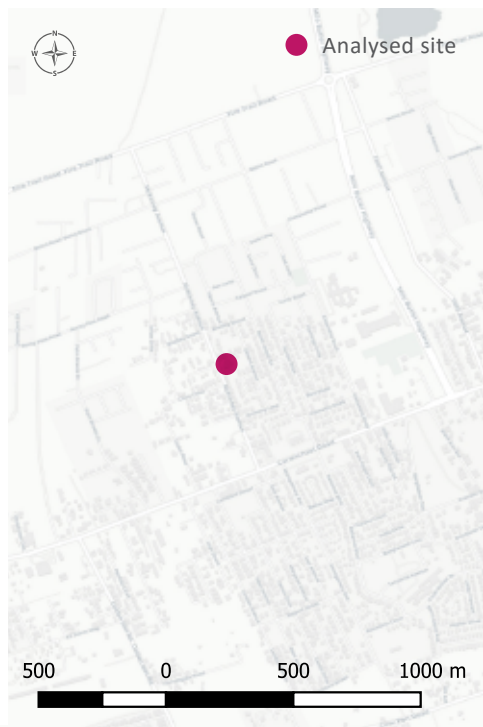
INSIGHTS

Most of evacuated children in these sites arrived from Grand Bahama on 7 September.

There is no information on potential relocation of evacuated children.

SITE PROFILE CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY HOSTEL

The Children's Emergency Hostel was founded in 1962 and houses children between 1 and 12 years old. It is currently managed by The Children's Emergency Hostel, a Non-Profit Organization (<https://www.facebook.com/pg/Bahamas-Childrens-Emergency-Hostel-214776449980/about/>).



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EVACUEES IN THIS COLLECTIVE CENTER

8 FEMALE

7 MALE

*This represents 28% of the total population on-site, which is 53.

Shelter management agency: ORGANIZATION "CHILDREN'S EMERGENCY HOSTEL" (LOCAL NGO)

Registration **Activities** ARE CONDUCTED ON-SITE

Service providers information IS AVAILABLE THROUGH A CONTACT LIST ON-SITE

MAIN NEEDS OF THE SITE

SHELTER AND SETTLEMENT

Small repairs and renovations are needed.

PROTECTION

Site not included in the emergency response as regular recipient of humanitarian assistance.

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Water coolers, bottled water and soap are needed.

HEALTH

The main reported need was counseling and specialised services to support mental health and psychosocial well-being.

PROTECTION, NFI AND WASH

VULNERABLE GROUPS



EDUCATION



NON-FOOD ITEMS

% of children who...



Most needed NFI (according to key informants on-site)



WATER

The drinking water **IS** potable

Main sources of drinking water

- Tankers
- Bottled water

>15L

Average amount of water available /day/person

There **ARE NO**

Complaints about **drinking water quality**

SANITANTION AND HYGIENE

Present daily pick up of garbage?

Good (hygienic) condition of most toilets?

Number of functioning toilets on-site? **9**

Separate male/female toilets?

Separate male/female bathing?

Toilets/bathrooms with lock from inside?

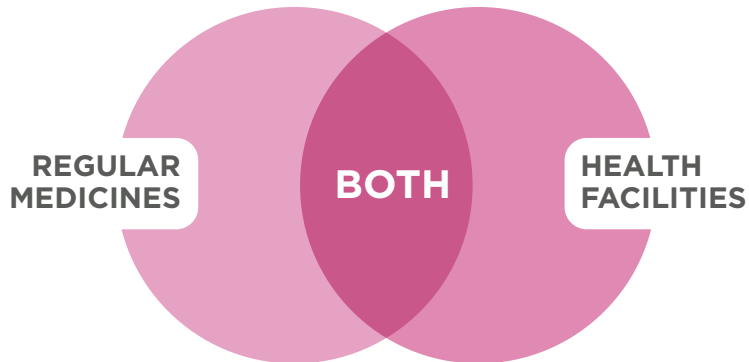
Availability of hand-washing stations filled with water and soap close to the toilets?

Is there evidence of hand-washing practices?

Hygiene promotion campaign/information?

HEALTH

ACCESS TO...



Location of health facilities

On-site (<3Km) ✓

Mobile clinic

Off-site

MAIN REPORTED HEALTH PROBLEMS

The most common reported need was counseling and specialised services to support mental health and psychosocial well-being.

FOOD SECURITY

There **IS** Access to food on-site (everyday)

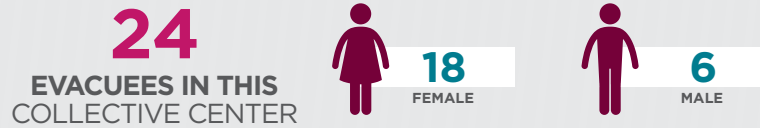
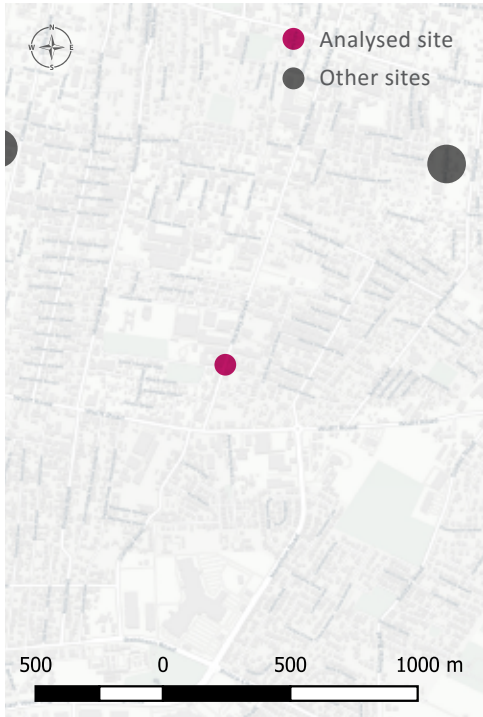
There is **NO** Screening for malnutrition

There **IS** Supplementary feeding for children

SITE PROFILE

RANFURLY HOMES FOR CHILDREN

The Ranfurly Home for Children was created in the mid-1950s and houses children between 11 and 18 years old. It is currently managed by the The Ranfurly Homes for Children foundation. It receives annual funding from the Government of the Bahamas, as well as other private national and international donors (<https://ranfurlyhome.org/>).



*This represents 51% of the total population on-site, which is 47 (16 male and 31 female).

Shelter

management agency:

ORGANIZATION
"THE RAINFURLY HOME FOR CHILDREN" (LOCAL NGO)

Registration

Activities

ARE CONDUCTED ON-SITE

Service

providers information

IS AVAILABLE THROUGH A CONTACT LIST ON-SITE

MAIN NEEDS OF THE SITE

SHELTER AND SETTLEMENT

Small repairs and renovations are needed, as well as IT equipment and materials for informal education activities in the premises.

PROTECTION

Site not included in the emergency response as regular recipient of humanitarian assistance.

HEALTH

The main reported need was counseling and specialised services to support mental health and psychosocial well-being.

COMMUNICATIONS

Site managers report receiving questions from the children regarding future plans or relocation.

PROTECTION, NFI AND WASH

VULNERABLE GROUPS



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Evacuees with potential chronic illnesses

EDUCATION

Access to informal education services for children:

IN THE PREMISES

>75%
of children attending local schools

NON-FOOD ITEMS

% of children who...

Live indoors (solid walls)

100%

Have access to electricity

100%

Most needed NFI (according to Key Informants on-site)



Medicines



Medical equipment

WATER

The drinking water



potable

Main sources of drinking water

- Piped water supply
- Bottled water

>15L

Average amount of water available /day/person

There ARE NO

Complaints about drinking water quality

SANITANTION AND HYGIENE

Present daily pick up of garbage?



Good (hygienic) condition of most toilets?



Number of functioning toilets on-site?

8

Separate male/female toilets?



Separate male/female bathing?



Toilets/bathrooms with lock from inside?



Availability of hand-washing stations filled with water and soap close to the toilets?



Is there evidence of hand-washing practices?

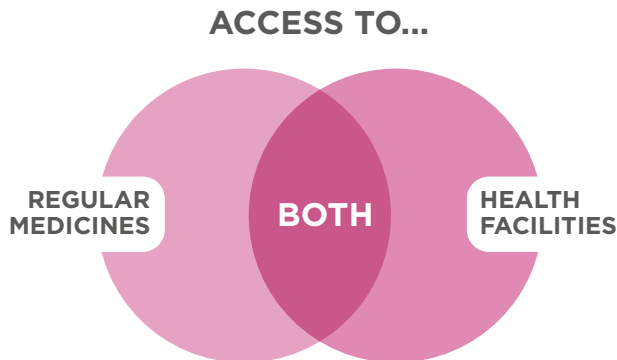


Hygiene promotion campaign/information?



HEALTH AND FOOD SECURITY

HEALTH



Location of health facilities

On-site (<3Km)



Mobile clinic

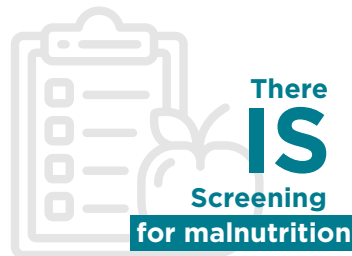
Off-site



MAIN REPORTED HEALTH PROBLEMS

Additional support is needed for treating hypertension, diabetes, asthma, seizure disorders, as well as provision of echocardiogram tests.

FOOD SECURITY

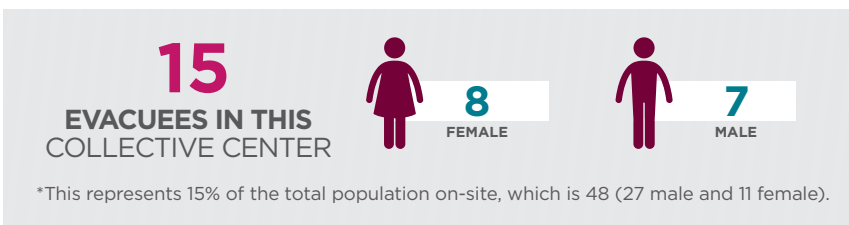
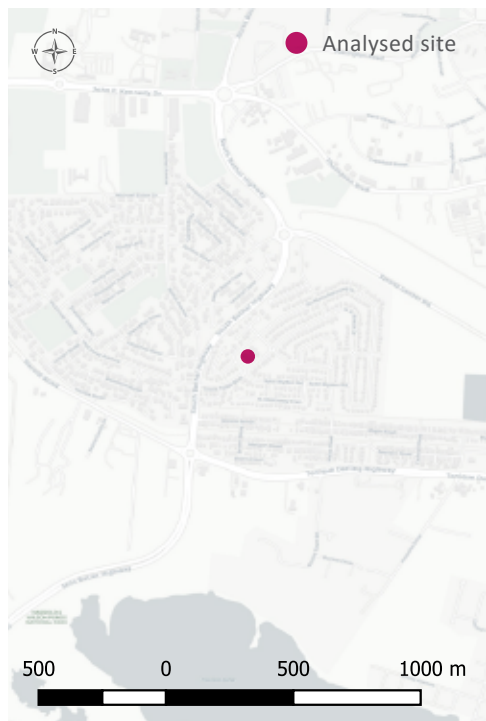


MEANS OF COMMUNICATION

Site managers report receiving questions regarding future plans or relocation. Uncertainty of plans is one of the main stressors.

SITE PROFILE
NAZARETH CENTRE

The Nazareth Centre for Children was founded in 2001 and houses children between 1 and 12 years old. It is currently managed by the Archdiocese of Nassau and receives public and private donations.



Shelter
management agency: ORGANIZATION "CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF NASSAU" (LOCAL NGO)

Registration Activities
ARE CONDUCTED ON-SITE

Service providers information
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SHELTER AND SETTLEMENT

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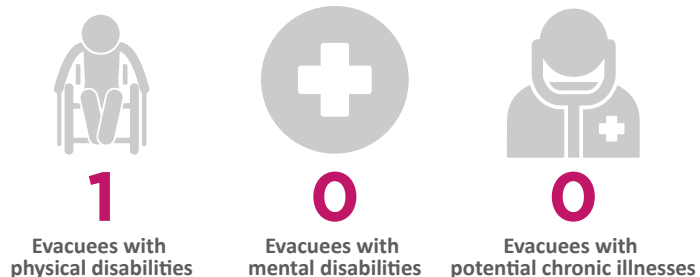
Bottled water, soap and hygiene kits are needed.

HEALTH

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PROTECTION, NFI AND WASH

VULNERABLE GROUPS



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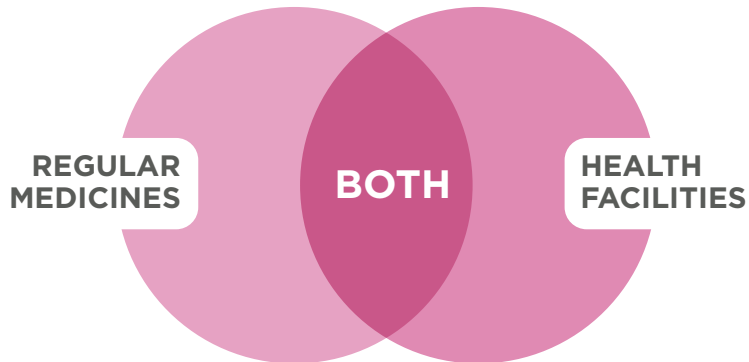
Complaints about **drinking water quality**

SANITATION AND HYGIENE

Present daily pick up of garbage?	✓	Toilets/bathrooms with lock from inside?	✓
Good (hygienic) condition of most toilets?	✓	Availability of hand-washing stations filled with water and soap close to the toilets?	✓
Number of functioning toilets on-site?	12	Is there evidence of hand-washing practices?	✓
Separate male/female toilets?	✓	Hygiene promotion campaign/information?	✗
Separate male/female bathing?	✓		

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ACCESS TO...



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Off-site (<3Km)



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FOOD SECURITY





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