

Puerto Rico Community Foundation

Loiza Housing Project

Loiza, Puerto Rico

Challenge

The devastation of hurricanes Irma and Maria in 2017 left Puerto Rico unable to access basic resources like water, electrical power, housing, education, and ways to propel economic development activities.

Innovation

The Puerto Rico Community Foundation supported communities in the rehabilitation of homes through collaboration efforts with community housing development organizations, community residents, nonprofits, and local governments.

Overview

The Puerto Rico Community Foundation has a targeted housing strategy focused on Loiza, one of the island's poorest municipalities, in which more than 1,000 housing units were directly affected by the hurricanes. It focuses on houses that need rehabilitation and are not within the scope of FEMA or the federal government. In 2018, 20 houses were repaired and 17 began construction.

PARTNERS

Municipality of Loiza, Puerto Rico Community Foundation, Ricky Martin Foundation, and CHDO INDESOVI.

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