

Creating a Safer, Stronger Future Together

THE SINT MAARTEN
RECONSTRUCTION, RECOVERY
AND RESILIENCE TRUST FUND



In April 2018, the Trust Fund launched as a partnership between the Government of the Netherlands, the Government of Sint Maarten, and the World Bank to support the island's recovery and help the country rebuild stronger and more sustainably.

The Trust Fund is providing critical financial resources and technical assistance to support recovery and foster resilience—economic, infrastructure, health, environmental, and social—to ensure the people of Sint Maarten are better prepared for whatever challenges lay ahead.

THE US\$519 MILLION SINT MAARTEN TRUST FUND HAS DIRECTLY **BENEFITED TENS OF THOUSANDS OF RESIDENTS ACROSS THE ISLAND**, WITH SMALL BUSINESSES, WOMEN, YOUTH, AND THE DISADVANTAGED RECEIVING CRITICAL SUPPORT



REBUILDING COMMUNITIES

Safer homes and schools
Upgraded hospital
Resilient, modern airport



EMPOWERING PEOPLE

Better early education
Improved social services
Small business support



PROTECTING THE FUTURE

Better disaster preparedness and response
Improved public services
Healthier environment

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No one can prepare you to be your own boss... Having someone there to guide you, give coaching sessions, and help you with any questions you may have has made the process a lot easier.”

— **STEPHANE FERRON**, Founder, Sproute BV mushroom business



What I appreciated was the hurricane shutters and sturdiness of the hurricane doors [on the repaired schools]. The idea is to protect the children during heavy rains and preserve school property...”

— **ORALIE BOIRARD**, Manager, Division for Educational Innovation

Collaboration is the key

At the heart of the Trust Fund is community engagement and ownership. The Government of the Netherlands and the World Bank support the Sint Maarten government and private sector on recovery and resilience efforts, working to strengthen the capacity and effectiveness of institutions for long-lasting impact.

Most Trust Fund activities are executed or managed by the government and its designated implementation entities: National Recovery Program Bureau, Princess Juliana International Airport Operating Company N.V., VNG International, St. Maarten Medical Centre, and UNICEF the Netherlands.

Projects across every sector

Health

- Hospital Resiliency and Preparedness
- Mental Health Services

Economic

- Enterprise Support
- Emergency Income Support and Training *(completed)*

Education

- Fostering Resilient Learning
- Child Resilience and Protection *(completed)*

Infrastructure

- Digital Government
- Emergency Recovery
- Airport Terminal Reconstruction *(completed)*
- Roof Repair *(completed)*

Environmental

- Emergency Debris Management
- Wastewater Management

Social

- Civil Society Partnership Facility for Resilience *(completed)*



321 small businesses received US\$20.1 million in financing support—**137 owned or managed by women**



Airport passenger capacity returned to **2.5 million annually**, driving local economic growth and jobs



91 community-driven sub-projects contributed to better health practices, youth engagement, education, access to services, and employment



Hospital upgrades led to a **88% reduction in overseas medical referrals** for patients needing specialized care



512 homes and 19 schools repaired and upgraded to be more climate-resilient