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Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands

For the past 29 years, the Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands (CFVI) has been a catalyst for positive change in the Territory. With a professional staff and a volunteer Board of Directors, CFVI is a trusted advocate and supporter of programs that ensure opportunity and sustainability for current and future generations.

In addition to providing administrative oversight to more than 100 named funds and programs, CFVI is focused on meeting the long-term needs of the community in the aftermath of the September 2017 hurricanes.

Grants have supported trauma recovery and mental health intervention, expanded services for vulnerable populations (including the homeless, elderly, and other underserved individuals), environmental and marine recovery and resilience, long-term recovery planning and implementation, and a variety of other initiatives contributing to the wellbeing of residents affected by the hurricanes.

CFVI is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization entirely supported by individual donors, grants, trusts, corporate donations, and estate planning.

Angels Make it Possible

Angel gifts directly enhance the well-being of our community. In 2018, more than $11 million in direct support was provided to organizations and individuals:

- $9,002,031 for disaster assistance
- $995,428 for community programs and services
- $659,554 for health-related grants
- $650,686 for education, including scholarships, teacher grants, and grants to schools and libraries

It is because of the CFVI Angels and other donors that CFVI was in a position to respond to the storms immediately and has since distributed over $16 million in disaster-related funding.

Building forward will require consideration not just of the storms’ impact, but of longstanding challenges and opportunities for our most vulnerable residents. Early childhood care and education, children and families, public education, the environment, health/human services, and the marine economy are key areas to be addressed as we align our continued recovery efforts with the work we’ve facilitated for the past 29 years.

CFVI is uniquely positioned as the only Territory-wide community foundation, offering donors, funders, and other stakeholders intimate community knowledge, a history of collaborative partnerships, leadership, reputation, and accountability. And it’s all made possible by our Angels!

Yes, I will be a 2020 Angel!

Enclosed is my donation to support CFVI’s building forward efforts in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

$25,000+  □  Visionary Angel
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$2,500+  □  Gold Angel
$1,000+  □  Silver Angel
$500+  □  Angel

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On the cover: “iggi” the iguana helps children and families cope with post-hurricane stress. The iggi Project was originally created by Joan Bennett following Hurricane Marilyn in 1995. With critical funding and administrative support from CFVI, the project was revamped in 2017 following Hurricanes Irma and Maria. The primary objective of the materials, which include a coloring book, story book, parent guide, teacher guide, and puppet show, is to provide a vehicle for parents, educators, counselors, and other caregivers and volunteers to address the post-trauma psychological and emotional responses and needs of children.