

## Nov. 6th, 2019- Second Homeowners

- We are currently working on putting together an informational welcome packet for new arrivals
- We will be publishing this information on the elbowcay.org website, elbow cay recovery facebook and hopetown bulletin group, as well as making hard copies available at the command center
  - Information should include:
    - Community services available (i.e Home Depot, food kitchens, fuel)
    - Emergency contacts
    - Businesses open (i.e. restaurants, grocery stores, golf cart rentals)
    - Ferry Schedule
    - Taxis
  - Pre-arrival information such as packing lists, airport and transportation logistics, expectations, will also be available on the elbowcay.org website
- Information from the government on debris sorting is now available. An infographic is being created detailing the specific categories and processes
- Reaching out to locals and asking if there are any specific supplies that they can use that can be brought down is always encouraged and makes a direct impact
- Housing is still scarce and is expected to become even more of an issue as more people return and outside labour is needed for rebuilding.
- Temporary housing options are being explored for incoming volunteers and displaced persons wishing to return
  - Hope4HopeTown has the vessel True North stationed in Hope Town with dorm style accommodations available for up to 37 people
  - Another option is being explored for a barge with containerized housing onboard
- Samaritan's Purse Update:
  - Areas of intervention: Debris Removal, Warehousing, Kitchen Support, Muck & Gut Service, Stagnant Water Removal (Cisterns, Pools, etc.)
  - As of Nov. 5th:
    - Approximately 1500 cubic yards of debris removed (additional 600 cubic yards as of Nov. 6th)
    - 10,230 hot meals supported through food kitchens
    - 5577 distributions of donated goods through SP warehousing support
    - 7 structures tarped
    - 5 community spaces mucked and gutted
    - 4 private homes mucked and gutted
    - 18 cisterns and pools drained and cleaned

- The Bahamian Government has created special conditions for the exemption of payment of Real Property Taxes.
  - Information can be found on the Department of Inland Revenue's website:  
<https://inlandrevenue.finance.gov.bs/real-property-tax/assessment-of-real-property-tax/>
  - Contact information is also available on this website for further information and clarification on the topic