



# KEMPSHOT REBUILD



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# OUR COMMUNITY

On October 28, 2025, the catastrophic Category 5 Hurricane Melissa tore directly through Western Jamaica. The eastern eyewall passed squarely over our beloved community of Kempshot, tucked in the hills outside Montego Bay. The devastation is unimaginable, approximately 1,200 people have been displaced as homes and essential infrastructure were destroyed. Both the community and government-designated shelters suffered severe damage, leaving no safe refuge for those affected.

Kempshot remains without potable water, adequate shelter, electricity, and communication services, with no clear timeline for reconnection to the wider nation. As a small community, we often feel forgotten, watching aid trucks and support pass through on their way to larger districts while our people continue to struggle in isolation.

Our needs are urgent, and we pray that our community's cry for help will finally reach those who can make a difference.







# OUR WHY...

## THE MISSION

Kempshot has endured the full force of a once-in-a-century storm, leaving our community shattered – but not defeated. Even in the ruins, our unity is our strength. With your help, we can transform this moment of devastation into the beginning of renewal.

Together, we can rebuild the foundations of a safer, stronger, and more dependable community. One grounded in resilience, guided by purpose, and lifted by hope. Step by step, day by day, we will restore our sense of normalcy and reclaim the independence that allows Kempshot to thrive once again.



# OUR GOALS



## 1. ESTABLISHING RELIEF

An abandoned health centre in the heart of Kempshot has been identified and is being used as a primary relief distribution centre for all relief items. As we progress our aim is to make this resource functional and provide a safe and sanitary area for the members of our community.

## 2. POTABLE WATER

Kempshot has no natural water sources or piped supply, relying entirely on rainwater catchment for potable water. With so many roofs and homes damaged or lost, this has become a critical challenge for our community. Establishing reliable and constant water sources will be essential for our long-term survival.

## 3. REBUILDING

Our core community spaces have been devastated schools, churches, and many homes are now completely compromised. The roads, drainage systems, power, and all communications, have also been severely impacted. Melissa unleashed catastrophic winds and relentless rainfall that tore through Kempshot, overwhelming every part of our community, leaving it not just damaged, but decimated.





# THE HEALTH CENTRE

Despite the devastating winds, this abandoned Health Centre stood firm, sustaining only minimal damage. Though neglected for many years, it was once a vital cornerstone of the community providing medical care, support, and a sense of security to all who relied on it.

Today, this resilient structure offers the foundation we need to revitalise Kempshot. Our hope is to restore the building so it can once again serve the community in meaningful ways. With this central location, we will be able to establish a distribution point for relief aid, ensuring that assistance can efficiently reach those in need. This centre will become a core pillar in restoring stability, rebuilding lives, and helping our community return to its strength and spirit.





# DEVASTATION

Church ☐ School . Home





# ROAD TO RECOVERY

Although the hills, valleys, and communities throughout Kempshot have been deeply affected, our people continue to stand strong. Even through hardship, their hearts remain full of hope, resilience, and gratitude for life. Restoring a sense of normalcy is vital for this rural community's recovery, beginning with establishing a primary distribution point at the Health Centre – a crucial first step in rebuilding the heart of Kempshot.

The resilience of the Jamaican spirit is powerful, but even the strongest among us need support in moments like this. We are facing a crisis unlike anything we have ever known, and we urgently need your help to begin the work of rebuilding. Reviving our community is not just about recovery... it is about restoring safety, dignity, and hope to the people of Kempshot.

***Please, help us keep hope alive. Every donation, no matter the size, brings us one step closer to healing. Your support matters now more than ever.***





# THANK YOU

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