

UNOPS IN THE CARIBBEAN

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The United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS) is an operational arm of the United Nations, supporting the successful implementation of its partners' peacebuilding, humanitarian and development projects around the world.

UNOPS has a presence in 23 countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. It concentrates its efforts in areas where we have a clear mandate and expertise:

- I. SUSTAINABLE PROCUREMENT
- II. SUSTAINABLE INFRASTRUCTURE
- III. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to help people build better lives and countries achieve peace and sustainable development.

MAIN CONTRIBUTIONS OF UNOPS IN THE CARIBBEAN

- Management of Sustainable Infrastructure Projects.
- Provision of Technical Assistance (TA) in relation to climate resilient infrastructure planning and implementation.

AREAS OF WORK

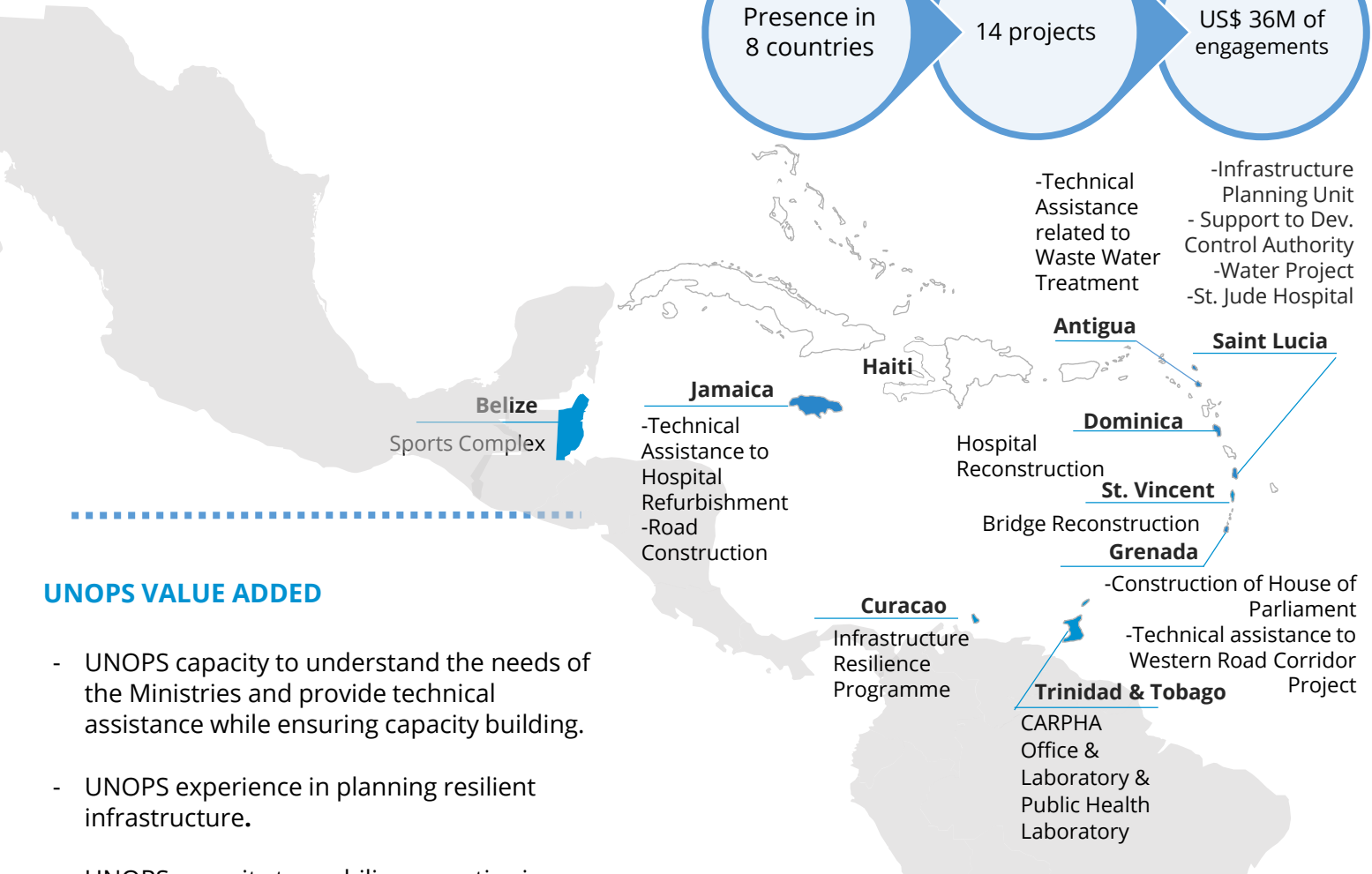
- Resilient Planning and Infrastructure
- Road Infrastructure
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)
- Procurement and Health Infrastructure
- Public Buildings

SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES (SIDS)

UNOPS helps ensure availability and sustainable management of resources, paying special attention to women's participation in the process.

UNOPS helps countries take action to adapt to climate change, by increasing the resilience of their infrastructure, particularly in Small Island Developing States.

CARIBBEAN OVERVIEW PORTAFOLIO



UNOPS VALUE ADDED

- UNOPS capacity to understand the needs of the Ministries and provide technical assistance while ensuring capacity building.
- UNOPS experience in planning resilient infrastructure.
- UNOPS capacity to mobilize expertise in relatively short time frame based on existing full time presence on several islands helping Ministries manage complex projects or sudden increases in workload following storms/hurricanes.
- UNOPS capacity to reduce public spending through improved procurement processes that also help increase number and capacity of suppliers (of works, services and goods).
- Experience in High visibility Integrated Community based infrastructure ´ projects (roads, housing, etc.)
- Experience in the Health Sector: infrastructure and procurement of medicines and medical equipment.



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UNOPS IN THE WORLD

UNOPS is working to address the impacts of climate change, access and management of uncontaminated freshwater in SIDS such as: Comoros, Cabo Verde, Mauritius, Maldives, São Tomé and Príncipe, and Seychelles.

SAINT LUCIA

DENNERY NORTH WATER SUPPLY PROJECT

The communities of Dennerly North, a town on the east coast of Saint Lucia, have been affected by poor quality water, impacting residents health and living conditions. To improve water quality, UNOPS implemented Phase One of the Dennerly North Water Supply Project on behalf of the Government of Saint Lucia, with funding from the Government of Mexico. The project, implemented in collaboration with the Water and Sewerage Company of Saint Lucia will benefit approximately 8,000 people.

The major infrastructural components included the construction of a raw water intake, transmission pipelines, a water treatment plant, pumping stations and distribution systems.



ST JUDE HOSPITAL RECONSTRUCTION

This project focused on the reconstruction of the Ambulance and Security Building and a Morgue with renewable energy perimeter lighting of the St Jude Hospital. It was completed with handover of the facilities to the Government of Saint Lucia in July 2017.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE GOVERNMENT DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AUTHORITY (DCA)

UNOPS worked with the Government of St. Lucia in developing the capacity and capability of the DCA to provide a “one stop shop” service to developers and investors thereby facilitating responsible development in an efficient and effective manner.



GRENADA

HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT BUILDING (GHOP)

UNOPS is working with the Government of Grenada for the construction of a new Parliament building in St Georges, Grenada. The former parliament was demolished during the passage of Hurricane Ivan in 2004.

The Parliament Building is being constructed to the highest international standards. It comprises a main parliament chamber, press and conference rooms, administrative offices, and other amenities including a souvenir shop and public cafe.

GRENADA WESTERN CORRIDOR PROJECT

In December of 2017, UNOPS started the Grenada Western Corridor Project helping the Government upgrade 25 km of road along the Western Corridor of Grenada and to implement measures of slope stabilization, drainage and road signage to ensure resilience.

CURACAO

RESILIENCE PROGRAMME CURACAO

UNOPS is providing assistance to the Ministry of Traffic, Transport and Urban Planning, Curacao in relation to resilient infrastructure development planning.

Based on collaborative work with the Government of Curaçao led by Oxford University, ITRC -Mistral and UNOPS, a partnership has formed which enables support and guidance to allow long-term planning on national infrastructure.

The Evidence Based Infrastructure Framework will further support the development of infrastructure that is resilient to future challenges and will reinforce strategic evidence-based decision-making for investments in infrastructure.



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT OF ANTIGUA

UNOPS conducted a technical review of the wastewater discharge system for St John's Antigua. There was no municipal sewage collection system in place to direct wastewater to a center treatment or disposal site.

Minor design reviews lead to other assistance requirements to apply for Green Climate Funding for programme transformation of water sectors: reducing distribution losses, renovating dams, water storage, increasing desalination capacity, and some demand side management.

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA

SCIENCE AND INNOVATION CENTER

To support national and regional innovation in science and technology fields, UNOPS has helped open a Science and Innovation Center to combat climate change and develop clean technology. UNOPS is managing the center on behalf of the Government of Antigua and Barbuda for the next 36 months.

The UNOPS Innovation Centre in Antigua & Barbuda, in conjunction with Ocean Generation, hosted an innovative 'hackathon' to develop solutions to support communities affected by recent storms in the Caribbean. With natural disasters predicted to increase in intensity, finding new technological solutions to support disaster preparedness and response is vital.



SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES

RECONSTRUCTION OF CUMBERLAND BRIDGE

This project restored bridges that were damaged by the passage of a tropical weather system in 2013. The efforts focused on the mitigation against the impact of future heavy rainfall events through the protection of river banks.

Along with the renovation of the bridges, UNOPS provided communities with economic opportunities, flood protection, and enhanced governmental procedures.

JAMAICA

RIVERTON ROAD CONSTRUCTION, RIVERTON CITY

UNOPS supported the construction of approximately 2 km of concrete roads through Riverton City to the Riverton City Landfill. It was completed with handover of the road to the Government of Jamaica in October 2016. This project benefited thousands of families in the city.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH

Objectives:

- Decontamination and Rehabilitation of the Cornwall Regional Hospital.
- Assessment of five Health Facilities.
- Review of technical documentation related to the design of the Western Regional Children's Hospital.

BELIZE

MARION JONES SPORTS COMPLEX

Belize participates in national and high level competitions in Volleyball and basketball. This complex provides a place for recreation and practice of these sports.

The lighting of the Complex has been completed and the system is fully operational in 2017. The construction of Sports Facility is in process of implementation.



Reconstruction of Cumberland Bridge © UNOPS





TRINIDAD & TOBAGO

CARPHA OFFICE AND LABORATORY & PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

UNOPS prepared the preliminary design studies related to the new Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA) and TTPH facilities on behalf of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and the Government of Trinidad and Tobago.

UNOPS CONTRIBUTION TO THE SDGs

The efforts of UNOPS in Latin America and the Caribbean are oriented to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the 2030 Agenda.

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