

Damrey response in central Vietnam



The **Damrey typhoon in central Vietnam** in late 2017 left over 4 million people in need of emergency assistance. Over 134 thousand houses were damaged, of which more than 3,500 were completely destroyed. Occurring right before the APEC Summit, the disaster drew immediate attention from international media and leaders, resulting in quick responses from the Vietnamese and other governments to a few worst affected provinces. Despite attracting less media attention, Thua Thien Hue and Quang Nam provinces were also severely affected. Thousands of people faced a lack of food, water-borne diseases and a lack of support for livelihood recovery. With funding from the Australian government, CARE provided assistance in these two provinces to meet the people's immediate needs and support their livelihood recovery.



OVERVIEW



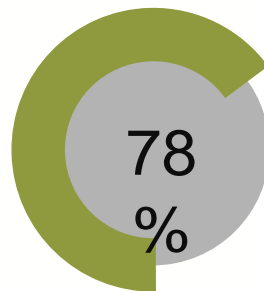
The four communes selected were heavily affected in Hue and Quang Nam provinces



Of all households receiving multi-purpose cash, over 80% have people older than 70 years old



Assistance was most needed for early recovery



Of all targeted households received cash grants

"I can buy more food for my grandchildren and disabled son during Tet holidays. I also bought a blanket for winter days. Part of the amount I will spend on vegetable seeds next season."

- Ms. LE THI CHIT, 75 y.o., Hue province

CARE's Response

To date, CARE has reached about 10,000 people, ensuring access to better shelter, water and sanitation, and support for livelihood recovery. In addition, we helped women understand and apply hygiene practices in their daily life. CARE worked closely with provincial and communal Red Cross and authorities throughout the assessment, selection and distribution processes.