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Hurricane Melissa - Jamaica - Operation One Love

**Headline:** Peace Corps Volunteer Returns to Village Where He Served to Restore Internet after Hurricane Melissa
**Sub-Headline:** Starlink Powered by Solar Generator Installed as Part of Operation One Love

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John Lyon, Executive Director of Haiti Air Ambulance and the Team Lead of Operation One Love, returned to St Leonards, Westmoreland this week to set up a Starlink powered by solar generators provided by Red Lightning and Footprint Project, respectively. John has been doing emergency response work since 2013, at the time of the ebola outbreak in West Africa.

On returning to the village, he immediately sought out the village leader, whom he worked with from 1998-2000 while he served with the United States Peace Corps in Jamaica. He has since been involved in various projects to support Jamaica and its people as needed, helping him to respond to the hurricane in a quick and robust way, including the formation and coordination of Operation One Love. Like John, many people involved in One Love's response effort have a connection to the island, including former USAID employees and operational leaders from US Search and Rescue teams, and all share the priority of helping Jamaica in its time of need.

Founder of Development Impact Global Group LLC (DIGG), Dr. Jay Singh, who worked as USAID's Country Representative in Jamaica, on the importance of aiding the country: "because Jamaica represents the best of us - their vision of one love and out of many, one inspires hope for all of us. So it is an honor and privilege to give back." The Starlink will provide connectivity from the village to the rest of the country so that they can reach emergency responders and ask aid groups for the help they need.

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