

## Daniel Gale Sotheby's Int'l. Realty volunteers in Bahamas

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Cold Spring Harbor, NY Over 100 real estate advisors from Daniel Gale Sotheby's International Realty who were in the Bahamas for the organization's Gold Circle of Excellence trip took time away from their visit to provide hands on disaster relief in the wake of Hurricane Dorian. The visitors turned volunteers worked in partnership with the non-profit disaster relief group HeadKnowles Foundation, spending an afternoon sorting through a huge volume of donations that have been arriving in the Bahamas.

Two months after Dorian battered the Bahamas, the distribution center continues to see more than 200 displaced families coming through the facility every other day in order to receive much needed items for daily living including food, water, personal hygiene products, clothes, and more.

"Every year we recognize the top performing real estate advisors with our Gold Circle of Excellence trip," said Daniel Gale Sotheby's International Realty CEO Deirdre O'Connell. "This year's trip to the Bahamas had been planned months in advance of the storm. As we always have group activities as part of our Gold Circle gathering, it immediately made sense for us to dedicate our time to do something to help with the ongoing recovery effort. Talk about a powerful team building activity. We like to say that we are better together, and this activity more than proved our point. In three hours, our 100 volunteers accomplished what would normally take a week. We are truly thankful to have been able to make a difference."

In addition to volunteering their time, almost everyone on the trip traveled to the Bahamas with a second suitcase filled with donations. Additional donations collected from Daniel Gale Sotheby's International offices across Long Island filled more than 60 boxes and which were shipped separately. Monetary donations from the organization's managers, staff and real estate advisors totaled more than \$11,000.

HeadKnowles (TheHead.Org) seeks to assist with the nation building of The Bahamas and to alleviate human suffering by providing caring and compassionate service to survivors of adversities and survivors of disasters. TheHead.Org strives to build healthy communities, strengthen families and create opportunities for those in despair while maintaining their dignity and advocating for their basic human needs.

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