

Evaluating transparency in government contracting processes: The case of Puerto Rico and CDBG-DR funds

Sabrina Rodríguez-Vicenty
Second year MPP



Agenda

1

**About
Sembrando
Sentido**

2

Policy context

3

**Description and
examples**

4

**Connection to
policy**

5

**Attainment of professional
development goals**



About Sembrando Sentido

Sembrando Sentido is a nonprofit that its mission is to “harvest knowledge, tools and inspiration to nurture and strengthen Civil Society efforts for more transparent, responsible, inclusive and efficient governance practices”



**Hurricane María
and Irma**

**Lack of resilient
infrastructure**

**Stagnant aid
distribution process**

**POLICY
CONTEXT**



DESCRIPTION OF WORK

Data research, cleaning and computing

of CDBG-DR funds and contracting in Puerto Rico

Writing the report

Co authored a report for grantors about the status of funding distribution and common practices within CDBG contracting



Connection to Policy

Identifying inefficiencies in aid allocation

Advocating for transparency in government contracting

Advocating for equity in government contracting

Attainment of professional goals



Gain experience
in understanding
the government
contracting
process

Developing
better data
analyzing skills

Work in an
upcoming non
profit with lots of
opportunities for
engagement

Develop better
report writing
skills



**THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
TIME**

Sabrina Rodríguez-Vicenty

<https://www.linkedin.com/in/sabrina-rodriguez-vicenty/>

sabrina.rodriguez.vicenty@gmail.com



<https://www.sembrandosentido.org>