

FEMA Approves \$2.6 Million to Coastal Georgia for Hurricane Irma

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ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency continues to support communities recovering from Hurricane Irma. Nearly \$2.6 million was awarded to the City of Savannah and the Southeast Georgia Health System for actions taken to ensure the continuation of essential public services and to protect lives and public health.

Below is a breakdown of the FEMA grants:

City of Savannah: Nearly \$1.3 million for emergency protection measures incurred by the police, fire and public works departments.

Southeast Georgia Health System, Inc.: More than \$1.3 million for emergency protective measures. This non-profit health care system serves residents from six counties in Southeast Georgia: Brantley, Camden, Charlton, Glynn, McIntosh and Wayne.

The grants are provided through FEMA's Public Assistance program which reimburses eligible applicants on a cost sharing basis up to 75 percent for actions taken in response to and recovery from a disaster. The remaining project costs are covered by non-federal sources.



FEMA provides funding for these projects directly to the state to be administered through the Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security Agency. Following the state's review process and upon receipt of appropriate documents from the applicant, the state will distribute the funds on a reimbursable basis.

The President's major disaster declaration included 159 counties due to the extent of damage caused by Hurricane Irma. To date, FEMA has approved more than \$72 million for the state under the Public Assistance grant program as a result of damage from Hurricane Irma.

Additional information about FEMA's Public Assistance grant program can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit>.

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