

FEMA Awards Miami-Dade County \$1.46 Million for Hurricane Irma Repairs

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ORLANDO, Fla. – FEMA has approved a grant of **\$1,461,450** for the State of Florida to help Miami-Dade County defray the cost of repairs to the Venetian Causeway after Hurricane Irma in 2017.

FEMA Public Assistance program funds will reimburse the county for repairs to the east and west bridge houses of the Venetian Causeway. Repairs include roof, equipment and navigation light systems.

The program provides grants to state, tribal and local governments, and certain types of private nonprofit organizations, including some houses of worship, so communities can quickly respond to and recover from major disasters or emergencies. The Florida Division of Emergency Management works with FEMA during all phases of the program and conducts final reviews of FEMA-approved projects.

The federal share for Public Assistance projects is not less than 75 percent of the eligible cost. The state determines how the nonfederal share of the cost of a project (up to 25 percent) is split with subrecipients such as local and county governments.

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