

Fact Sheet: FEMA Disaster Grant Information for Faith-Based, Community, Volunteer, and Private Non-Profit Organizations

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Faith-based organizations, community, volunteer, and non-profit organizations may apply for FEMA grants in areas eligible for the FEMA Public Assistance program. Only organizations with state or IRS tax exempt status may be considered and should submit their requests as soon as possible.

Who May Be Eligible:

- Private elementary or secondary schools, or higher education institutions
- Hospitals and other medical treatment facilities
- Utilities including water, sewer, and electrical systems
- Senior citizen and community centers or other community services
- Food programs
- Educational enrichment activities
- Custodial and day care services
- Disability residential services
- Assisted living and low-income housing
- Homeless shelters and rehabilitation services
- Performing and community arts centers

How To Apply:

Go online to <https://www.fema.gov/submission-request-public-assistance-applicant> and submit a Request for Public Assistance (RPA) to the government of Puerto Rico. Faith-based organizations should contact the Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency for more information.

For more information about eligible essential and critical service providers, refer to the Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide on the FEMA website at



<https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-policy-and-guidance>.

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (voice, 711/VRS - Video Relay Service; TTY: 800-462-7585). Multilingual operators are available (press 2 for Spanish).

The SBA is the federal government's primary source of money for the long-term rebuilding of disaster-damaged property. SBA helps businesses of all sizes, private non-profit organizations, homeowners and renters, which can cover the cost of replacing lost or disaster-damaged real estate and personal property. These disaster loans cover losses not fully compensated by insurance or other recoveries and do not duplicate benefits of other agencies or organizations.

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