

FEMA Awards \$3.9 Million for Hurricane Irma Recovery in Florida

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ORLANDO, Fla. – FEMA has awarded grants totaling **\$3,904,527** for the State of Florida to reimburse applicants for administrative costs and emergency response following Hurricane Irma in 2017.

The FEMA Public Assistance program grants include:

- **Florida Department of Corrections: \$1,458,569** for the administrative costs of tracking and accounting for labor, equipment, materials and other expenses after the storm.
- **The City of Delray Beach: \$1,395,121** for emergency protective measures it implemented to protect life and property, including emergency sewage pumping due to power outages, emergency medical care and support, safety inspections at city properties, sandbagging at the police station and the purchase of generators.
- **Volusia County: \$1,050,837** for the administrative costs of tracking and accounting for labor, equipment, materials and other expenses after the storm

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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