FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers Open in Cayey and Vega Baja

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San Juan, Puerto Rico – Two additional Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs) are now open in Cayey and Vega Baja. The joint DRCs, a partnership between the municipality, the Government of Puerto Rico and FEMA, will help Hurricane Fiona survivors apply for FEMA assistance, upload documents needed for their application and answer questions in person.

The governor of Puerto Rico, Pedro R. Pierluisi, urged the residents of Cayey and Vega Baja who were directly affected by hurricane Fiona to visit these Centers to receive adequate assistance and make their claims. "As U.S citizens we have the federal government, resources to help our people and for that reason every person affected by the hurricane should go to these Centers. We are working together for the recovery of our Island", Pierluisi said.

Representatives from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) are on hand at the DRC to provide program information and explain how to apply for SBA's low-interest disaster loans for homeowners, businesses, private nonprofits, and renters, and provide information about repairs and rebuilding to make homes more disaster resistant.

Services are provided in English and Spanish. If you need a reasonable accommodation or a sign language interpreter to communicate with FEMA, please send an email to <u>FEMA-PRaccesible@fema.dhs.gov</u>. You can also call 1-833-285-7448, press 2 for Spanish.



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The center in Cayey is located at:	The center in Vega Baja is located at:
Estadio Pedro Montañez	Centro Comunal Los Naranjos
Carretera Núm. 14, Km. 69.7	Calle 2 Barrio Cabo Caribe
Calle Matías Soto	Comunidad Los Naranjos
Cayey, PR 00736	Vega Baja, PR 00693
Open 7 days a week 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.	Open 7 days a week 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

A FEMA Hazard Mitigation Community Education Outreach Specialist will be on site to assist survivors in preparing for future incidents.

DRCs are also open in Caguas and Mayagüez, seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. The locations are:

Centro de Bellas Artes de Caguas

Calle Padial

Esquina Calle Ruiz Belvis Caguas, PR 00725

Cancha de Baloncesto Bo. Colombia

Calle Desengaño

Barrio Colombia Mayagüez, PR 00680

To find a DRC nearest you, click on the FEMA DRC link: Fema.gov/drc

You may also register for assistance with FEMA through your smart phone, home computer or by phone. The fastest ways to apply for assistance are:

- Online at DisasterAssistance.gov
- By phone at 1-800-621-3362. Press 1 for English, 2 for Spanish and 3 for all other languages. People who use a relay service such as video relay service (VRS), captioned telephone service or others, provide FEMA the number for that service. Phone lines operate from 7 a.m. to 2 a.m. EST, seven days a



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week.

 Download FEMA's mobile app. Select Disaster Resources and click on Apply for Assistance Online.



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