

DISASTER RELIEF

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Provides **\$27 billion** in emergency funding to respond to the devastation that recent natural disasters and extreme weather events have left behind by helping communities recover, repairing infrastructure, and preparing for future disasters.

Helps Communities Recover

- Strengthens disaster recovery efforts, including from Hurricane Fiona in Puerto Rico and Hurricane Ian in Florida, with \$5 billion for FEMA's Disaster Relief Fund
- Provides \$1.45 billion for the Hermit's Peak/Calf Canyon Fire Assistance Program to support communities impacted by these historic fires
- Helps communities in impacted areas get back on track with \$858 million to support the Small Business Administration's Disaster Loans Program, \$100 million for Child Care and Development Block Grant services, \$408 million to recover and reopen Head Start and related social services, \$86 million to address public health issues, and \$129 million for medical response efforts
- Includes \$656.7 million for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to address and mitigate the impact of natural disasters on coastal economies and facilities

Repairs Infrastructure

- Repairs damaged water infrastructure, including with \$1.67 billion for EPA programs to address the impact of Hurricanes Fiona and Ian and the water crisis in Jackson, Mississippi and \$265 million to repair damages to rural water and waste systems
- Includes \$500 million for infrastructure and other long-term economic recovery efforts through the Economic Development Administration
- Provides over \$1 billion in funding for necessary highway and transit repairs and \$3 billion for long-term housing, infrastructure, and economic recovery needs
- Funds repairs and recovery at military facilities damaged by Hurricanes Fiona and Ian with nearly \$300 million in funding
- Makes necessary repairs to impacted Corps of Engineers water infrastructure projects, while also increasing resiliency from future flooding and storms, with \$1.13 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers—Civil

Prepares for Future Disasters

- Makes necessary repairs to impacted projects and increases resiliency from future flooding and storms with \$1.48 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers—Civil
- Includes \$3 billion for the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program for long-term housing, infrastructure, and economic recovery needs of areas impacted by a natural disaster
- Increases the resilience of Puerto Rico's electric grid, including through assisting assists low-income and vulnerable households in purchasing and installing renewable energy, energy storage, and other grid technologies with \$1 billion for the Department of Energy
- Addresses the impact of the severe western drought by allowing the Western Area Power Administration to buy power when hydropower cannot generate enough with \$520 million in fully reimbursable Purchase Power and Wheeling funds