

# FEMA grants \$10.7 million to Harris County for Criminal Justice Center

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AUSTIN, Texas – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has awarded more than \$10.7 million to Harris County for repairs, mitigation and remediation to the Harris County Criminal Justice Center following Hurricane Harvey.

Water standing inside the Criminal Justice Center after the hurricane damaged the building and some of its components.

The grants from FEMA paid for water extraction, removal of damaged building components and repairs to the building to bring it back to its pre-disaster design, capacity and function. Mitigation measures implemented during the repairs included raising the mechanical, engineering and plumbing equipment from the basement of the first floor, wet proofing the basement and installing flood sensors in the elevators.

The total cost of the repairs was more than \$10.7 million and included a nearly \$1.1 million nonfederal cost share.

The grant comes from FEMA's Public Assistance grant program, which reimburses eligible applicants for actions taken in the immediate response to and during recovery from a disaster. These eligible applicants include states, federally recognized tribal governments, U.S. territories, local governments and certain private nonprofit organizations.



FEMA's Public Assistance grant program provides project funding directly to the state for disbursement to applicants. The grant to the county will be disbursed through the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM).

For additional information on Hurricane Harvey and Texas recovery, visit the Hurricane Harvey disaster web page at [www.fema.gov/disaster/4332](http://www.fema.gov/disaster/4332), Facebook at [www.facebook.com/FEMAharvey](https://www.facebook.com/FEMAharvey), the FEMA Region 6 Twitter account at [www.twitter.com/FEMARegion6](https://www.twitter.com/FEMARegion6) or the Texas Division of Emergency Management website at <https://www.dps.texas.gov/dem/>.



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