

FEMA Recovery Efforts Continue on the Island with Funding Obligations for 84 Projects

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So far, April is the month with the largest number of project obligations with 428 grants approved

GUAYNABO, Puerto Rico – FEMA and the Central Office for Recovery, Reconstruction and Resilience, or COR3, have obligated nearly \$11.5 million in funds for 84 projects related to the recovery and reconstruction of Puerto Rico due to Hurricane María. These funds were obligated between April 17 and April 23.

“These funding obligations represent the work of all our local staff that are moving recovery forward on the island every day. Each project is a sign of progress that will benefit all Puerto Ricans as they rebuild their communities” said Federal Disaster Recovery Coordinator for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, Alex Amparo.

The latest grants obligated are as follows:

- Over \$4.3 million for repairs to roads and bridges.
- Nearly \$3.8 million for repairs to parks and recreational facilities.
- Over \$2.6 million for repairs to public buildings and equipment.
- Nearly \$476,000 for emergency protective measures.
- Nearly \$200,000 for debris removal.



- Over \$76,000 for public utilities.
- Over \$32,000 for water control facilities.
- Over 22,000 to municipalities and government agencies for administrative costs.

“Obligations for recovery work represent the commitment between FEMA, COR3 and the sub-recipients. During these two months we have seen obligations increase significantly compared to the first few months of this process after Hurricane Maria. We expect to close April with more obligations and continue to meet projections throughout the rest of the year. Despite the challenges that have arisen, communication and coordination have been key to making this possible for the benefit of each of the island's communities,” said the Executive Director of the Central Office for Recovery, Reconstruction and Resiliency, Ottmar Chavez Piñero.

With an obligation of nearly \$630,000, the José “Pito” Montes basketball court in the municipality of Canóvanas will undergo significant repairs to this staple of the community of Barrio Palma Sola. New doors, rubber padded flooring and extensive electric work throughout the facilities are some of the improvements that will be possible with these funds.

"The impact of Hurricane Maria caused severe damage. The community, including the youth, have continuously requested that these facilities be rehabilitated. It is extremely important to the municipality that FEMA has approved funds to restore this facility, as keeping recreational areas functioning is part of the municipality's public policy. The new structure will be stronger and more resilient to any natural phenomenon. It will include exercise, basketball and volleyball programs. An outdoor gym, cardio, calisthenics, aerobics and boot camp programs will also be added. The project is expected to be completed in approximately one year. The repair of this recreational area is for the use and enjoyment of the community of Palma Sola and at the same time, it is extremely important for the benefit of the programs that the community had established,” said the mayor of Canóvanas, Lornna Soto Villanueva.



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Among the obligations for public buildings is the approval of over \$25,000 for the municipality of Arroyo for repairs to its municipal recycling center. Located on El Flamboyán road, work on the center includes repairing fences and removing exterior plywood walls, roof panels and ceilings. Mitigation measures such as reinforcing walls and installing impact resistant windows are also part of the plans.

“The federal funding obligation we recently received will help us strengthen our municipality's recycling program, which currently affects 75 percent of the Arroyo population, by recycling cardboard, plastic, newspaper, aluminum and mixed or shredded paper. In turn, the improvements that will be made to the recycling center will have a direct impact on the functionality of our landfill. I will continue to work hand in hand with the federal agencies to ensure that Arroyo is fully recovered from the damage caused by Hurricane Maria,” said the mayor of Arroyo, Eric Bachier Román.

Funding for permanent work includes projects like roads, bridges, water control, buildings and equipment, utilities and park and recreation facilities as authorized under Section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Act. Emergency protective measures are actions taken to eliminate or lessen immediate threats either to lives, public health or safety, or significant additional damage to public or private property in a cost-effective manner.

FEMA works with COR3 through the agency's Public Assistance program to obligate recovery funds to private nonprofit organizations, municipalities and agencies of the Government of Puerto Rico for expenses related to hurricanes Irma and María. To date, over \$6.6 billion has been approved for Puerto Rico under FEMA's Public Assistance program.



For more information on Puerto Rico’s recovery after Hurricane María, visit fema.gov/disaster/4339 and recovery.pr. You can also follow FEMA’s and COR3’s social networks on Facebook.com/FEMAPuertoRico, Facebook.com/COR3pr and [Twitter @COR3pr](https://Twitter.com/COR3pr).

For more details on the latest 84 obligations, see table below:

Applicant Name	Federal Share Obligated	Damage Category Code	Description
Jayuya (Municipio)	\$799,424.73	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-140, km 9.2, Sector Escuela, Barrio Collores.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$775,607.65	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-758, Sector Las Avispas, Barrio Ríos.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$694,468.22	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-799, from km 1.4 to km 1.54 and km 126.5, Sector Cacao.
Villalba (Municipio)	\$678,636.92	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court, baseball park and community center in Sector El Pino, Barrio Hato Puerco Arriba.



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Canóvanas (Municipio)	\$629,841.27	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to José "Pito" Montes basketball court.
Guayama	\$622,497.60	E - Public Buildings	Replacement of contents of Casa del Rey Museum.
Aibonito (Municipio)	\$583,821.59	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to multiple buildings in the Municipal Publics Work complex.
Hosanna Christian Academy, Inc.	\$565,756.20	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to buildings 1 and 2, fences, steel gates, lights and parking lot.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$548,161.96	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court in Sector La Providencia, Barrio Los Pollos.
Guayama	\$394,783.11	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to baseball park in Sector Barranca, Barrio Machete.
Salinas (Municipio)	\$347,005.18	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to Ramón Sanabria baseball park in Comunidad Cocos.



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Yauco (Municipio)	\$344,021.88	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for road repairs and culvert replacements in Barrio Río Pietro including La Úrsula Road; Santa Clara Road; road in direction from Sector La Arbela to Cerrotes Road; and Sector La Arbela.
Ponce (Municipio)	\$320,733.90	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to Ernesto Ramos Antonini Square Auditorium.
Loíza (Municipio)	\$309,780.94	E - Public Buildings	Repairs and content replacement in cultural center in Calle Espíritu Santo.
Santa Isabel (Municipio)	\$289,303.34	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to Jardín de los Milagros elderly center.
Coamo (Municipio)	\$277,174.37	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to multiple basketball courts located in PR-154, Sector Río Jueyes; PR-14, Sector Niagara and Sector San Antonio.
Lajas (Municipio)	\$263,470.43	B - Protective Measures	



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Corozal (Municipio)	\$192,315.66	A - Debris Removal	
Jayuya (Municipio)	\$141,110.60	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for repairs to PR- 144, km 4.8, Sector Los Álvarez, Barrio Pueblo.
Puerto Rico Emergency Management Bureau	\$138,621.50	B - Protective Measures	
Añasco (Municipio)	\$123,708.60	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs to PR-4430, km 3.2, Parcelas Ajíes.
Ponce (Municipio)	\$108,341.73	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to the Moscoso building, which is part of the municipal government offices buildings.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$104,172.03	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in Sector Los Nieves and Sector Los Colones, Barrio Marín.
Orocovis (Municipio)	\$101,818.76	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-157, km 2.2, Barrio Cacao.



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Corozal (Municipio)	\$101,652.50	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-164, Sector Los Rojas, Barrio Palmarejo.
Dorado (Municipio)	\$97,705.80	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to Fuente de la Amistad, to Arts Studio and warehouse in Méndez Vigo Street.
Corozal (Municipio)	\$97,600.01	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-159, Sector La Cueva De Paca, Barrio Abrás and PR-818, Sector Rolo Barrera, Barrio Cibuco.
Dorado (Municipio)	\$93,335.43	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in Calle 2, Sector Río Lajas and PR-659, Comunidad Los Bloises, Barrio Maguayo
Patillas (Municipio)	\$91,733.60	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to municipal cemetery in Barrio Pueblo.
Corozal (Municipio)	\$86,729.54	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-568, Sector Ermita Carrascos, Barrio Padilla.



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Puerto Rico Convention Center District Authority	\$72,303.30	B - Protective Measures	
Corozal (Municipio)	\$71,684.54	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-807, km 1.8, Sector Julio Digger, Barrio Dos Bocas.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$69,446.57	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs and culvert replacement to bridge in Sector Los Barros-Los Condes, Barrio Marín.
Orocovis (Municipio)	\$68,680.52	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-593, km 1.3.
Naranjito (Municipio)	\$67,537.43	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in Camino Flor Maure, Barrio Cedro Arriba.
Corozal (Municipio)	\$65,890.72	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-568, Sector Don Rubio, Barrio Padilla.
Puerto Rico Medical Services Administration	\$64,624.65	E - Public Buildings	Architectural and engineering design costs for building repairs in Steam Plant.



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Quebradillas (Municipio)	\$64,556.86	C - Roads and Bridges	Repairs to Hernández Road, Barrio San Antonio.
Ponce (Municipio)	\$64,402.57	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to baseball park and basketball court in Calle La Esperanza, Sector La Mora.
Ponce (Municipio)	\$62,363.13	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs and culvert replacement in PR-501, km 7.0, Camino Las Jaguas, Barrio Marueño.
Bayamón (Municipio)	\$53,472.99	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to Abraham Chino Ayala basketball court in Parcelas Juan Sánchez and Inés García Colón baseball park in Urbanización Versalles.
Dorado (Municipio)	\$53,100.00	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to stainless steel Seahorse monument located in PR-165, km 24.3.
Yauco (Municipio)	\$51,187.13	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for roads repairs in Sector La Loma and Sector Los Badea in Barrio Duey; Sector Vuelta al Lago in Barrio Vegas and for culvert repairs in PR- 372, km 7, Sector Los Badea, Barrio Duey and El Ají Road, Barrio Aguas Blancas.



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Juana Díaz (Municipio)	\$46,976.56	C - Roads and Bridges	Repairs to municipal roads in Sector Lajitas and Camino Tellito Ortiz, both in Barrio Guayabal.
Dorado (Municipio)	\$43,699.79	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in Calle 1, Sector Mameyal, Barrio Higuillar.
Villalba (Municipio)	\$37,824.82	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to community and technology center, baseball park and basketball court in Sector El Semil, Barrio Villalba Arriba.
Acueducto Rural Doña Elena	\$36,256.48	F - Public Utilities	Repairs to two water wells and a water tank located in Comerío.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$32,509.27	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court in Urbanización Valles de Patillas, Barrio Cacao Alto.
Yauco (Municipio)	\$32,127.79	D - Water Control Facilities	Architectural and engineering services for the removal of debris and sediment material deposited in the Pluvial Drainage Channel in Sector Cambalache.



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Corozal (Municipio)	\$31,944.22	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-802, Sector Frank Lozada, Barrio Puente.
Naranjito (Municipio)	\$30,605.14	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-164, Sector Peluzas, Barrio Cedro Abajo.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$30,501.03	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to community center in Sector Obén.
Bayamón (Municipio)	\$30,362.54	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to multiple recreational facilities including Maribel Santiago basketball court, baseball park at Minillas Neighborhood, Guillermo "Guillo" Campos basketball court in Barrio Los Goucos, basketball court in Valle Verde, and community center in Santa Juanita.
Patillas (Municipio)	\$30,201.44	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court in Urbanización Villas de Patillas.
Orocovis (Municipio)	\$28,761.48	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-143, km 36.3, Sector Los Serrano, Barrio Bauta Abajo.



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Bayamón (Municipio)	\$27,656.96	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court and baseball park in Urbanización Río Plantation and recreational area in Urbanización Quintas del Río.
Juana Díaz (Municipio)	\$25,297.15	C - Roads and Bridges	Repairs to municipal road 40, intersection with Street 3 and PR-149.
Arroyo (Municipio)	\$25,098.88	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to recycling center in Barrio Guásimas.
Cidra (Municipio)	\$23,642.92	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-1, km 51.7, Sector Brisas del Plata, Barrio Bayamón.
Isabela (Municipio)	\$22,822.61	F - Public Utilities	Replacement of two tsunami alert systems located on the roof of Villa Pesquera basketball court and Montones Beach stairs.
Orocovis (Municipio)	\$20,528.51	C - Roads and Bridges	Repairs to culverts in PR-593, km 1.3.
Corozal (Municipio)	\$20,203.35	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court in Calle Aldea Vázquez, Urbanización Sobrino.



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Salinas (Municipio)	\$19,524.68	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to Placita Las Mareas.
Corozal (Municipio)	\$18,514.31	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to passive park in Barrio Pueblo.
Corp Educativa Ramón Barquin (American Military Academy)	\$18,141.15	Z - State Management	
Orocovis (Municipio)	\$18,086.90	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in PR-157, km 3.7, Sector La Hacienda, Barrio Cacao.
Peñuelas (Municipio)	\$17,833.47	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for culvert repairs in PR-387, Sector Corea, Barrio Quebrada Ceiba.
San Lorenzo (Municipio)	\$11,354.20	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for road repairs in Sector Quebrada Arena.
Juana Díaz (Municipio)	\$11,290.10	C - Roads and Bridges	Road repairs in municipal roads 75 and 76.



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Aguada (Municipio)	\$10,955.90	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to basketball court in Barrio Cerro Gordo.
Aibonito (Municipio)	\$10,823.81	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for road repairs in PR-716, km 1.0, Sector Rincón, Barrio Cuyón.
Comunidad Jacanas Sur, Inc.	\$9,181.12	F - Public Utilities	Repairs to water well and two water tanks located in Barrio Limones, Yabucoa.
Ponce (Municipio)	\$9,060.50	G - Recreational or Other	Repairs to tennis court in Urbanización Quintas de Monserrate.
Juana Díaz (Municipio)	\$8,102.35	C - Roads and Bridges	Repairs to municipal road 81 and 82, Urbanización Mansiones Paseo de Reyes, Barrio Amuelas.
Juana Díaz (Municipio)	\$7,810.00	F - Public Utilities	Repairs to the emergency communications system located in the Emergency Management Office and the Schoenstatt Sanctuary.



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Patillas (Municipio)	\$7,499.96	C - Roads and Bridges	Repairs to bridge in Sector Los Lebrón, Barrio Jacoboa.
Col Mir Mar, Inc.	\$6,774.39	A - Debris Removal	
Corozal (Municipio)	\$5,766.00	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to the Emergency Operations Center and the Federal Programs Office.
Corozal (Municipio)	\$4,740.48	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to community center in Sector Titi Santiago, Barrio Magüeyes.
Aibonito (Municipio)	\$4,600.97	C - Roads and Bridges	Architectural and engineering design costs for road repairs in PR-716, Sector Rincón, Barrio Cuyón.
Salinas (Municipio)	\$4,416.71	E - Public Buildings	Repairs to the General Archives building.
Dewey University	\$3,268.18	Z - State Management	
Hosanna Christian Academy, Inc.	\$1,373.25	B - Protective Measures	



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Puerto Rico Horse Racing Industry and Sport Administration	\$676.19	Z - State Management	
Total	\$11,539,401.02		

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