Saturday, Jan. 27 Last Day to Visit Disaster Recovery Center at the Former Scotia Bank

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ST. CROIX, Virgin Islands – Jan. 27 will be the last day to visit the Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) at the former Scotia Bank in Charlotte Amalie, in St. Thomas.

After the center closes help is just a phone call or mouse click away. Survivors can check on the status of their Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) claim at DisasterAssistance.gov or by calling **800-621-3362**. Individuals who have a speech disability or hearing loss and use TTY should call 800-462-7585 directly. Those who use 711 or Video Relay Service (VRS) may call 800-621-3362.

For questions about low interest disaster loans to homeowners, renters and business, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) customer service number is **800-659-2955**.

DRCs across the territory assist survivors of hurricanes Irma and Maria by offering in-person support to individuals and businesses who experienced damage from the hurricanes. FEMA and SBA specialists are available to help those requesting information about the status of their FEMA claims or SBA loans.

The following recovery centers are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

- St. John
 - Cruz Bay at the U.S. Virgin Islands Legislature, St. John Annex, 1D Cruz Bay
- St. Croix
 - Frederiksted at the Rotary Club West, 40 KA-KD Estate LaGrange
 - Christiansted at the Old Post Office Building at Church and Company streets
- St. Thomas



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Charlotte Amalie at Tutu Park Mall, 4605 Tutu Park Mall, Suite 233

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Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (voice, 711/VRS - Video Relay Service) (TTY: 800-462-7585). Multilingual operators are available (press 2 for Spanish).

FEMA's mission is to support our citizens and first responders to ensure that as a nation we work together to build, sustain, and improve our capability to prepare for, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate all hazards.

Following major disasters, the U. S. Small Business Administration (SBA) is the primary source of Federal funds for long-term recovery assistance. This assistance is in the form of low-interest loans and is available to non-farm businesses of all sizes, private nonprofit organizations, as well as homeowners and renters with property damaged by the disaster.

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To donate or volunteer, contact the voluntary or charitable organization of your choice through the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD) at www.nvoad.org. For those who wish to help, cash donations offer voluntary agencies the most flexibility in obtaining the most-needed resources and pumps money into the local economy to help businesses recover. The Community Foundation of the Virgin Islands also has the "Fund for the Virgin Islands" at www.USVIrecovery.org.

