Durable Medical Equipment Arrives for U. S. Virgin Islands

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ST. CROIX, Virgin Islands – Fifteen pallets of donated durable medical equipment – hospital beds, wheelchairs, shower chairs, walkers, canes, asthma pumps, CPAP machines and blood pressure monitors – have arrived on St. Croix.

Voluntary agencies, the USVI Long Term Recovery Groups and FEMA are working together to distribute the equipment to survivors who need it.

The Friends of Disabled Adults and Children (FODAC) donated the equipment. Good360.org and GotLift organized shipping to the territory. The St. Croix Christian Church paid for transportation of the shipping pallets from the port of Frederiksted to a FEMA warehouse.

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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.

