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FEMA continues to coordinate with the territorial government, federal and local partners, the private sector, and voluntary organizations to meet community recovery needs. Disaster survivors who have not registered with FEMA yet, should do so by the Jan. 8, 2018 deadline.

"As the disaster assistance registration deadline approaches, we want to reassure residents that we remain committed to helping the U.S. Virgin Islands rebuild their communities for as long as it takes," said FEMA Federal Coordinating Officer William Vogel.

To date, more than 37,000 Virgin Islanders have registered for disaster assistance and FEMA has provided nearly \$46.5 million in household grants to help pay for rental housing, home repairs and other serious disaster-related expenses.

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved more than \$291.5 million in disaster assistance loans, with more than \$265.9 million for home loans for both homeowners and renters and more than \$25.6 million for business owners. Survivors may also be eligible for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) which offers assistance to homeowners, renters and businesses after a disaster. Jan. 8, 2018 is also the physical deadline to submit the SBA disaster loan application <<http://viconsortium.com/virgin-islands-2/more-than-456-million-in-disaster-assistance-have-been-provided-to-usvi-fema-says/#>> .

In addition to household grants and SBA loans to disaster survivors, more than \$118.3 million in federal recovery dollars have been approved for power, public buildings, emergency repair work for roads, and debris removal. More than \$4.4 million in public assistance has been obligated for Hurricane Maria throughout the territory and more than \$113.9 million for Hurricane Irma.

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