

HURRICANE MARIA IMAGERY

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**“FEMA IS THE LEAD AGENCY TO WORK WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO. THE COAST
GUARD’S ROLE IS TO SUPPORT FEMA IN ANY WAY
POSSIBLE TO BRING FOOD AND COMMODITIES TO
HELP WITH THE RECOVERY AND RESPONSE
EFFORTS.”**

**–CAPT ERIC KING, COMMANDER
SECTOR SAN JUAN COMMAND CENTER**



An agent with Coast Guard Investigative Services provides snacks to those waiting for their names to be called for food and water in Canovanas, Puerto Rico, Oct. 17, 2017. Two fully loaded trucks of food and water were distributed to residents in Canovanas who were affected by Hurricane Maria. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)



A member of Coast Guard Investigative Services gives water to a horse he found tied up and left in the heat in Islote, a small town in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, Oct. 19, 2017. In support of ongoing Hurricane Maria relief efforts, the team of Coast Guard and Army personnel provided eight pallets of FEMA relief supplies including food, water and tarps to the Arecibo community. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)



Petty Officer 2nd Class Jonathan Cruz-Sepulveda, a member of Coast Guard Port Security Unit 307, hands a bottle of water to a young girl in Isabela, Puerto Rico, Oct.19, 2017. Personnel operating out of Coast Guard Air Station Borinquen in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, have been helping deliver supplies from FEMA to remote areas affected by Hurricane Maria. (Photo by: Petty Officer 3rd Class David Micallef)



Coast Guard field responders Petty Officer 2nd Class Aaron Jessup and Petty Officer 3rd Class Justin Basham assess a partially-sunk vessel for pollution in Crown Bay, St. Thomas, Oct. 18, 2017. More than 200 vessels in the area were identified by the Coast Guard and partner agencies as sunk or partially sunk as a result of the recent hurricanes. (Photo by: Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew S. Masaschi)



A community member thanks the Coast Guard, FEMA, Army and Puerto Rico “Hacienda” after they delivered food and water to more than 400 residents in Canovanas, Puerto Rico, Oct. 17, 2017. This specific group has been delivering water and meals to areas in need for more than 20 days as part of ongoing Hurricane Maria relief efforts. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)





Coast Guard Commandant ADM Paul Zukunft joins CAPT Eric King along with Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, Congresswoman Jenniffer Gonzalez-Colon, Puerto Rico Governor Rossello and representatives from FEMA and other federal representatives during a meeting with mayors from Puerto Rico at the Emergency Operations Center in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Oct. 13, 2017. As part of the Department of Homeland Security team, the Coast Guard is linked directly to FEMA and the overall federal hurricane recovery phase of the response to Hurricane Maria. (Photo by: Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew S. Masaschi)



ADM Zukunft and CAPT King meet with Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, at the Emergency Operations Center in San Juan, Puerto Rico, Oct. 13th, 2017. As part of the Department of Homeland Security team, the Coast Guard is linked directly to FEMA and the overall federal hurricane recovery phase of the response to Hurricane Maria. (Photo by: Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew S. Masaschi)



A child pulls his weight of the work, assisting a member of the Coast Guard to offload boxes of food at a baseball field in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, Oct. 19, 2017. In support of ongoing Hurricane Maria relief efforts, the team of Coast Guard and Army personnel provided eight pallets of FEMA relief supplies including food, water and tarps to the Arecibo community. (Photo by :Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)



Coast Guard and partner agencies attend a morning operations meeting as part of the Emergency Support Function 10 – Oil and Hazardous Materials Response – in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Oct. 18, 2017. ESF 10 provides federal personnel and support in response to actual and potential release of oil and hazardous materials when activated. (Photo by: Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew S. Masaschi)



U.S. Senator Bill Nelson (FL) is accompanied by Coast Guard personnel during a walkthrough of Coast Guard Sector San Juan, Puerto Rico, Oct. 15, 2017. The senator's visit to sector San Juan was to see the damage from Hurricane Maria and to familiarize himself with the Incident Command. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)



U.S. Senator Bill Nelson (FL) meets personnel at the Hurricane Maria Incident Command Post at Coast Guard Sector San Juan, Puerto Rico, Oct. 15, 2017. The senator also took the opportunity to tour the sector and see the damage caused by Hurricane Maria. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)



A member of the Coast Guard Investigative Service talks with two children interested in being police officers after noticing one was wearing a home-made police uniform in Humacao, Puerto Rico, Oct. 14, 2017. The CGIS agent noticed the children while going house-to-house delivering FEMA relief supplies in Junquito, a town in Humacao. (Photo by: Petty Officer 1st Class Jon-Paul Rios)



A member of Coast Guard Investigative Services offloads two cases of water at a hospital in Caguas, Puerto Rico, Oct. 18, 2017. In support of ongoing Hurricane Maria relief efforts, Coast Guard, FEMA, Army, and Puerto Rico “Hacienda” personnel delivered water, food, and tarps to 600 hospital employees greatly impacted by the hurricane. (Photo by: Mr. Ricardo Castrodad)



Lt. Brian Acuna, a pilot at Coast Guard Air Station Borinquen in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, is greeted by a member of the Arecibo Observatory staff at the observatory in Arecibo, Puerto Rico, Oct. 16, 2017. The Coast Guard aircrew was delivering food and water from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to the staff, who has been handing out aid to people impacted by Hurricane Maria. (Photo by: Petty Officer 3rd Class David Micallef)



U.S. Coast Guard LT John Sauve, near left, assigned to the Coast Guard Helicopter Interdiction Tactical Squadron in Jacksonville, Fla., and Petty Officer 3rd Class Austin Hornbruch, far left, a rescue swimmer at Coast Guard Air Station Borinquen in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico, load food and water onto an MH-65 Dolphin helicopter outside Coast Guard Air Station Borinquen in Aguadilla Oct. 14, 2017. The aircrew was refueling, reloading aid and swapping crewmembers in between sorties to deliver aid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to people in Hurricane Maria-impacted areas of Puerto Rico. (Photo by: Senior Chief Petty Officer Kyle Niemi)

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Hurricanes By the Numbers:

- Hurricane Harvey
 - Coast Guard personnel rescued 11,022 people and 1,384 pets
 - Coast Guard response involved:
 - ✦ 2,060 active duty, reserve, civil servant and auxiliary personnel from as far away as Guam, Alaska, and Hawaii
 - 50 rotary and fixed-wing aircraft
 - 75 shallow-water boats
 - 29 cutters
 - Of 2,519 Coast Guard members living in impacted areas in Texas:
 - ✦ 51 suffered catastrophic property loss
 - ✦ 124 reported property damage
 - ✦ Most were heavily involved in response efforts despite personal challenges faced

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Hurricanes By the Numbers:

- Hurricane Irma
 - Coast Guard personnel rescued 172 people
 - Coast Guard response involved:
 - ✦ 1,225 active duty, reserve, civil servant and auxiliary personnel
 - ✦ 36 rotary and fixed-wing aircraft
 - 18 shallow-water boats
 - 34 cutters

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Hurricanes By the Numbers:

- Hurricane Maria
 - Coast Guard personnel rescued 15 people
 - Coast Guard response involved:
 - ✦ 1,011 active duty, reserve, civil servant and auxiliary personnel
 - 32 rotary and fixed-wing aircraft
 - 19 cutters

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