

HELP Puerto Rico Evacuees Affected by Hurricane Maria APPLY for Unemployment Assistance

Expanded eligibility for Unemployment Insurance in Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria

All Puerto Rico evacuees who have lost their job due to Hurricane Maria should apply for PR Unemployment Insurance ASAP, even if they believe they are ineligible. If they do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance, they may qualify for FEMA's Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA). DUA covers a wider range of situations, including self-employed individuals who lost a business due to Hurricane Maria.

Please Note!

The deadline to secure the fallback Disaster Unemployment Assistance is 1/11/2018. All individuals who think they are eligible for DUA must first apply for regular PR Unemployment Insurance and be denied.

How to apply for Puerto Rico Unemployment Assistance

Contact the Puerto Rico Unemployment office



Online

Visit:
www.trabajo.pr.gov



By telephone

787-945-7900
Monday-Friday
7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

if approved



Great!

Once a person applies and is approved, he/she will start receiving unemployment benefits

For assistance contacting the PR Unemployment Office, find your closest American Job Center at careeronestop.org



if denied

Contact the PR unemployment office again to apply for Disaster unemployment Assistance



A person may be eligible for DUA if, due to Hurricane Maria, he/she:

- No longer has a job.
- Is unable to reach his/her place of work.
- Cannot work due to damage to the place of work.
- Became the head of the household and is seeking work because former head of household died as a result of the disaster.
- Cannot work because of a disaster-incurred injury.

INDIVIDUALS MUST APPLY BY JANUARY 11, 2018 TO RECEIVE BENEFITS. APPLY TODAY!!

For more information, contact the National Employment Law Project at www.nelp.org