



FEMA Invitational Mission to Saipan  
Typhoon Yutu  
2019

**Expectations:** Anyone interested in a team will first complete a volunteer application. Team members will be assigned to multi-conference teams based on abilities and availability. Each team will have a trained team leader, or co-leaders. Work and a list of materials will be assessed by a previous team to prepare for the next team's arrival. The team leaders will be responsible for seeing that supplies are requested using FEMA regulations and time tables. Teams will work for 2 weeks, excluding Sunday, when we hope you will support the local United Methodist church (Debbie Wise, pastor). No other days off.

**Individual responsibility:**

- ERT trained and currently badged
- Passport good for up to 6 months beyond deployment dates
- Health—conditions may be strenuous because of heat and humidity
  - Team member is responsible for all medications
  - Team member should bring appropriate possible needs (DEET, Immodium)
  - Team member should be able to do roofing work (ladder safety)
- Money for meals (a per diem will be paid to your bank, so you pay upfront)
- Bottled water (island water is not for non-islanders...it has a salty taste and side-effects for the non-initiated.
- SS# for FEMA travel authorization
- WJ international travel insurance—depending on days to and from airport, approx. \$60
- PPE—more on this later; plastic baggies to keep paper docs dry

**FEMA will provide:**

- Some level of housing
- Transportation to airport and home again. Carriers and routes are determined by FEMA travel agents. Some luggage may be paid based on carrier. Some per diem may be allowed if your airport requires overnight to get there.
  - Ground transportation; tools; supplies
  - Some per diem (for food)—not firm yet, but probably \$50.

**Expected work:** with over 500 homes still not having roofs, this will be the first order of business. Team members should expect a mix of assessing and roofing. Some windows and doors may need replacing, but roofing is the first concern.

**For more information:** Centers for Disease Control: appears to be last updated in 2017. [wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/northern-mariana-islands](http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/traveler/none/northern-mariana-islands)

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