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Puerto Ricans React to \$10 million being Diverted from the Reconstruction of Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria

Las Vegas, NV – As the east coast gets ready for Hurricane Florence, late last night a budget document was released by a Democratic senator that shows that the Department of Homeland Security transferred 10 million dollars from FEMA to ICE. This money was transferred to pay for ICE’s detention and removal operations.

Make the Road Nevada condemns the trump administration for diverting FEMA funds to pay for ICE detention centers. It is unacceptable that when U.S citizens needed all the help from FEMA the administration decided to transferred millions of dollars away from the agency. This news was released after Trump had said that the response to hurricane Maria was “one of the best jobs that’s ever been done with respect to what this is all about”. These acts are inhumane, and we stand in solidarity with our Latino community.

“I came to Nevada after Hurricane Maria destroyed my home, Puerto Rico. It really upsets me to think that my beautiful island could have been reconstructed and at a better place right now if the administration would have not made the bad decision of using FEMA funds for something else. We are American Citizens and deserve to be treated like it” – Milagros Lozada (Puerto Rican, victim of Hurricane Maria)