

Take Action! to Support Puerto Rico

Join the TakeAction4PR! Campaign

- Take the first step by signing up on the website <http://takeaction4pr.org> to stay in touch and get the latest news
- Download the TA4PR! Toolkit.
- Host a Community Forum or Teach-In for TakeActionforPuertoRico!
- Go to the TakeAction Center and send a tweet or email today [here](#).

Ways to Take Action in Support of Puerto Rico

Five years after the deadliest natural disaster in modern U.S. history, Puerto Rico still has not recovered. We need your help to ensure that every day counts and that your members of Congress and President Biden understand that Puerto Ricans are U.S. citizens and deserve to be treated like other U.S. citizens anywhere in the country. Tell the President, your Senators, and U.S. Representatives that our community is not afraid to get involved and hold them accountable. ¡En la unión está la fuerza! Together we are strong and powerful!

- Town Halls.** Attend your Member of Congress' Town Hall and ask questions about their role in Puerto Rico's recovery efforts or organize your own!
 - Check [here](#) to see if your member is hosting a Town Hall.
 - Make the most of your time and the biggest impact for your efforts with this Guide to Town Halls ([Indivisible](#)).
 - Use TA4PR Policy Asks [here](#).
- Congressional Call-In Day.** Organize a Congressional Call-In Day on Sept 20th, and on the 20th of each month, with your friends and neighbors to let them know their constituents care about Puerto Rico.
 - Call 888-724-8791 to be connected to your representative to remind your elected officials that you care about Puerto Rico.
 - Calls to congressional offices are usually short and sweet, so you have to be prepared with your topline message. Go to the [TA4PR! Action Center](#) to review current asks or see sample script below.
- In-District Meetings.** Call your Member of Congress/ Senator's local district office to request a meeting to go in and talk about Puerto Rico. Let them know that their constituents care about Puerto Rico. Click [here](#) to find your Member of Congress' local district office. Click [here](#) to find the nearest state office of your Senators. Refer to the talking points in this toolkit to guide your conversation with your congressional office. Ask your member to submit an "Extension of Remarks" regarding his or her support for Puerto Rico (an "[Extension of Remarks](#)" means your Member of Congress will make a statement for the Congressional Record about your cause or organization.)
- Proclamations.** Secure a proclamation from your state or local elected official(s) declaring "We Are Puerto Rico Day." Be sure to send out a press release about it!
- Tweet-a-Thon or Twitter Town Hall.** If you like to tweet, do your own Congressional Tweet-a-thon on Sept 20th, the 20th of each month, or any day to let Congress know that people have not forgotten about Puerto Rico!
- Op-ed or Letter to the Editor.** Write an op-ed or Letter to the Editor for your local paper or website.
- Stay Informed.** TEXT "TakeAction4PR" to 40649 to stay updated about ways you can help Puerto Rico.
- Support a Non-Profit Organization in Puerto Rico.** There are many organizations doing extraordinary work supporting communities on the island since before Hurricane Maria. To learn more, please go to: www.takeaction4pr.org

PHONE SCRIPT FOR CONGRESSIONAL CALL-IN DAY

Call your Member of [Congress](#) and [Senators](#), and ask to speak to the staffer in charge of Puerto Rico or emergency preparedness. When you call, it's very important that you say that you are a constituent and that you take down the name, email, and title of the person you spoke with. You will stay in touch with this person and this will be your point of contact as you develop your relationship with this office.

SAMPLE SCRIPT:

Hello, my name is XXXX, and I live in your District/State. I am calling on behalf of the thousands of Puerto Ricans who live in your district* and who have U.S. citizen relatives and friends living on the Island.

Can you tell me if your office supports ending systemic discrimination against Puerto Rico in all federal programs like SSI, Medicaid, and Food Stamps? Will you support legislation such as the Territorial Equity Act of 2021 ([H.R. 2713](#) & [S. 1228](#))? OR Can you tell me what steps your office has taken to help rebuild and secure a vibrant Puerto Rico?

** NOTE: Use this [link](#) for the exact number of Puerto Ricans who live in your congressional district. NOTE: Do not use your zip code - use the drop-down menu to select your district to find demographic information for that district.*