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CAÑA AGRÍCOLA DE PUERTO RICO

Puerto Rico Artisan Distillers Guild

Puerto Rico was ravaged by the most devastating and damaging natural disaster in history to a US territory: category 4 Hurricane Maria barreled through the island from one end to the other.

All 3.5 million residents have been impacted by this unprecedented event. After almost 2 months after the storm, most of the island is still without electric power due to the massive damage to the infrastructure of the power grid.

It will take years for Puerto Rico to recover from a 93 billion dollar property loss, according to a Ford/Bloomberg Foundations joint assessment study. FEMA and The US Army Engineer Corps has called it the most devastating event they have ever seen.

Puerto Ricans are resilient, hard working people who amazingly went out to the streets by the hundreds and helped clear roads and property of unimaginable amounts of fallen trees and debris. Puerto Rican skies reminded of a massive US Military mission where hundreds of helicopter missions constantly flew out to remote and uncommunicated areas, delivering relief supplies. In turn, many [of the relief workers] were amazed to receive offers of coffee and refreshments from upon landing.

We aim to rebuild a stronger and better Puerto Rico for future generations to come.

Pepe Alvarez
San Juan Artisan Distillers

Our facilities suffered over 40k in losses.

We lost our 40X50 Galvalume roof in our aging building and **4 Metal Rollup Doors** (approx 14x16' each)

We also lost most of our Sugarcane Plantation; we have been cleaning and rebuilding from day one.

Thanks,
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