

Puerto Rico QuakeSmart Agenda Announced

Business, nonprofit, and emergency communities will come together on August 28 in Dorado, Puerto Rico for a free [QuakeSmart Preparedness Workshop](#) presented by FLASH and Founding & Legacy Partner FEMA. Studies have shown that three years after a natural disaster impact, 75% of businesses without a continuity plan will fail.

The workshop shares *QuakeSmart* protocols that can reduce damage costs, save lives, and help communities recover more quickly following seismic disasters. Attendees will:

- Learn about business continuity, disaster response, and the cost benefit of preparing for earthquakes and other business interruptions;
- Identify preparedness and mitigation actions needed to ensure safety and business continuity;
- Complete assessments and begin planning for retrofit projects; and,
- Learn how to perform preparedness and mitigation activities using the *QuakeSmart Community Resilience Program*.

Speakers include Ada Monzón, President - EcoExploratorio and *2018 National Weatherperson of the Year*; Carlos J. Morrell, President - Burger King; Commissioner Carlos Acevedo, Puerto Rico Emergency Management Agency; José Martínez Cruzado, Professor - UPR-Mayaguez; Félix Rivera, Civil Engineer & President – The Earthquake Commission, College of Engineers and Surveyors of Puerto Rico (CIAPR); Edgard Garcia, Representative - Simpson-Strong-Tie Co.; and Germán Hernández Garcés - U.S. Small Business Administration.

[Click here](#) to download the invitation, agenda, or to register for the workshop. The workshop is free, but advance registration is required. For more information, please contact Mike@flash.org.