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Roach Announces \$5 Million in Federal Funding For Territory-Wide Street Addressing Initiative; Town Hall Announced For Nov. 17

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Lieutenant Governor Tregenza Roach has announced that his office has received Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds in the amount of \$5 million dollars to complete the remaining components of its Street Addressing Initiative (SAI).

An upcoming Town Hall meeting regarding the SAI's next steps is scheduled for all St. John stakeholders on Thursday, November 17 at the Cleone Henrietta Creque Legislative Conference Room, St. John Legislature Annex at 7:00pm.

In launching the territory-wide phase of the SAI, the project's timeline will begin on the island of St. John to complete the Master Address Repository and fully implement the addressing grid, the

Office of the Lieutenant Governor said.

The OLG's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Division leads the charge of the SAI which will create an addressing system for the Virgin Islands that provides for a clear, logical, and navigable system of street addresses based on established national standards.

“The Street Addressing Initiative continues to serve as a critical infrastructure project for the territory that will drastically improve navigation and location capabilities for emergency services/responders, postal services, utilities, several key agencies and departments,” Mr. Roach said.

He added, “It is important that residents and critical stakeholders remain involved and informed. Stakeholders on St. John are welcomed to share their input, concerns, and ask questions as we collaborate on the final phase of this project for St. John by implementing a standardized street addressing system.”

Specifically, community groups are encouraged to actively get involved in the naming process of streets and roadways, according to the release.

For additional information or any questions regarding the Street Addressing Initiative and Naming Protocols, call the designated SAI contact number at 340-693-6191 or send an email to: SAI@lgo.vi.gov.

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