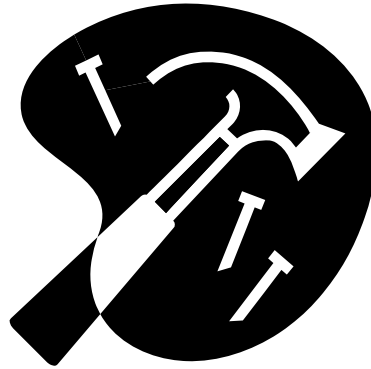


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INTRODUCTION

To serve New York City's diverse neighborhoods, the many impacts of Hurricane/Superstorm Sandy require a wide range of short and long term responses. This Resource Guide is intended for use by a variety of stakeholders, service providers and impacted residents. This enhances but does not replace an understanding of the sequence of delivery of federal disaster benefits.

Previous guides focusing on the immediate relief have served as a basis for this guide, which seeks to integrate Federal, State, City, business and nonprofit services into an ever more inclusive source of information. Special thanks are due to those who compiled the previous Red Cross and VOAD Resource Guides.

A resource guide of recovery and resilience must always be a work in progress. Sharing the news of the ongoing efforts to address the direct and ripple effects of Hurricane/Superstorm Sandy will require updating.

The current registration deadline for FEMA in New York is March 29, 2013, which is also the deadline to complete and return low-interest SBA disaster loan applications to the U.S. Small Business Administration. For FEMA information, visit: DisasterAssistance.gov (800) 621-3362.

Guidance to NYC Services:

For general help or referrals in New York City, call 3-1-1 or visit www.nyc.gov/311 or Skype at NYC311. Or for Hearing Impaired using a TTY or Text Telephone at (212) 504-4115. Other influential groups coordinating resiliency programs and rebuilding in New York City include:

The **Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City** is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, which facilitates innovative public-private partnerships throughout NYC's five boroughs. The Fund relies on individuals, foundations, and corporations to support public programs in areas including the environment, youth development, financial empowerment, health, volunteerism, and the arts. The Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City is supporting immediate aid needs as well as long-term restoration efforts in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. Working closely with our partners - including New York City Agencies, Community Recovery Directors, Restoration Centers, and community leaders - 100% of donations to hurricane relief are being directed to NYC's recovery; no administration fee is retained by the Mayor's Fund.

http://www.nyc.gov/html/fund/html/home/hurricane_sandy_relief.shtml

At the request of Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and City Council Speaker Christine C. Quinn, on December 19, 2012 Urban Green Council convened the **NYC Building Resiliency Task Force** in the wake of Sandy. The charge for the Task Force is to include measures that simultaneously advance resiliency and mitigate climate change and maintain active, pedestrian-friendly streets and retail activity in both residential and commercial areas, develop a fast-track process to review policy proposals currently under consideration by City agencies and the City Council, and engage with independent efforts by industry groups to provide leadership towards industry consensus on these issues. <http://www.urbangreencouncil.org/BuildingResiliency>

The Building Resiliency Task Force will be closely coordinated with the NYC Special Initiative for Rebuilding and Resiliency (SIRR), which will consider many issues beyond buildings, including zoning and infrastructure. For more information: outreach@nycsirr.org

New York City Economic Development Corporation

<http://www.nycedc.com/>

Our Planning & Development division provides urban planning, site cleanup expertise, interagency effort coordination on area-wide initiatives, maritime support, and includes the Coney Island Development Corporation. NYCEDC is the City's primary engine for economic development charged with leveraging the City's assets to drive growth, create jobs and improve quality of life.

Office of Emergency Management (OEM)

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/home/home.shtml>

OEM works with government agencies and non-profit and private sector partners to lead logistics planning, preparedness, response and recovery efforts, ensuring that the right resources are acquired and delivered to the right place at the right time. Following an emergency, OEM works with government agencies and non-profit organizations to provide assistance and disaster relief.

OEM's Emergency Operations Center (EOC): During major events, the EOC is a central point for information coordination, resource requests, and decision making.

A vibrant civil society response is reflected in the robust public-private partnerships from grassroots level to policymaking. One essential partner in disaster has long been:

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross in Greater New York prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. The American Red Cross is always there in times of need, aspiring to turn compassion into action so that all people affected by disasters across the country and around the world receive care, shelter and hope.

- 520 West 49th Street, New York, NY, 10019
- 877-733-2767
- www.nyredcross.org

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

As the deadlines to register for FEMA assistance approach, recovery officials want to make sure survivors have all the information they need about disaster aid.

Following are some of the most commonly asked disaster aid questions. For additional Q&As, go to www.fema.gov/SandyNY.

Individual Assistance

I submitted my papers for disaster assistance but have not heard anything, how long does it take to hear back?

If you submitted an application for assistance due to damage to your home, a FEMA-contracted inspector should contact you to schedule an appointment within 10 days of registering. If you are seeking other forms of assistance, and you have completed and mailed in your SBA disaster loan

application, you should receive an eligibility letter within 10 days of returning your paperwork. If 10 days have passed and you haven't heard from us, call the FEMA toll-free Helpline 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585.) operating 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. EST, seven days a week.

If you were asked to provide additional documentation and did so and have not heard back, call the helpline as well.

How can I extend my FEMA rental assistance?

To receive additional temporary rental assistance, you must complete the Continuing Need form with all the applicable information and mail it back to us at the address printed on the form. If you don't have the form, contact FEMA's toll-free Helpline. 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585.)

National Flood Insurance Program

What should I do if I'm still waiting on my flood insurance settlement?

Contact your claims adjuster or carrier to see if you may be eligible for an expedited flood insurance payment to cover repairs of your home's mechanicals damaged in the disaster. You can call the NFIP Help Center 800-427-4661 to address questions about your flood insurance claim or payment.

Why am I required to build above the minimum elevation requirement?

Each community develops their own local building requirements. You should contact your community's floodplain manager to discuss elevation requirements for your property. Elevation requirements are meant to protect your home from future flood damages. In general, if your home is located in a high-risk area, the higher you build above the base flood elevation, the lower your premium and potential for flood damage.

To find out how you need to build contact your community's floodplain manager who can help you walk through the elevation requirements for your property. His/her contact information is usually available on your city government web site.

Mitigation: Rebuilding Better and Stronger

Is there money available to elevate/mitigate my home?

There may be assistance available to help you mitigate the impact on your home.

If you applied for a Small Business Administration (SBA) loan and it was approved, you may be eligible for additional funds to cover the cost of improvements – such as elevating your home – to

protect your property against future damage. Contact SBA at 800-659-2955 (TTY 800-877-8339) or e-mail disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information.

If you already had a flood insurance policy before the storm, and your home was substantially damaged, you may be eligible to receive up to \$30,000 in increased cost of compliance coverage to elevate your home after you file your claim. Talk to your insurance agent to determine if you're eligible.

FEMA provides hazard mitigation grants to states for activities such as structure elevation, property acquisition, and flood proofing. The state determines which activities will be funded with hazard mitigation grants. To learn more about these grants, visit www.fema.gov/hazard-mitigation-assistance or contact your local floodplain manager for more details.

For more information on New York's disaster recovery, visit www.fema.gov/SandyNY, www.twitter.com/FEMASandy, www.facebook.com/FEMASandy and www.fema.gov/blog. (for more detail, see "housing" section below).

Services and Resources

FEMA's Hurricane Sandy toll-free national helpline – 800-621-3362 (Voice, 7-1-1/Relay) or (TTY) 800-462-7585

AGING

City Meals on Wheels provides meals to home-bound elderly New Yorkers. This grant will enable them to restock warehouse shelves to ensure that some of our more vulnerable neighbors are prepared for the winter months ahead.

DOROT

Named with the Hebrew word for “generations,” DOROT is a dynamic partnership of professionals and volunteers dedicated to enhancing the lives of homebound and homeless elders and fostering friendship and respect between the generations. Since 1976, DOROT has provided food, companionship, education, and cultural enrichment to thousands of elderly New Yorkers and those who care for them. Located on New York’s Upper West Side, DOROT is a non-sectarian, culturally Jewish agency open to all seniors, caregivers, and volunteers.

Homelessness Prevention Program and Aftercare

For seniors who are homeless or facing homelessness, DOROT’s Homelessness Prevention Program (HPP), a transitional residence in Manhattan, offers safe, temporary housing; meals; counseling; and assistance in finding a permanent home. Volunteers contribute to the social atmosphere by serving meals and interacting with the residents. DOROT’s Aftercare program provides clients with ongoing services after they move into permanent housing.

This program is available to seniors 60 or older who are homeless or facing homelessness. An interview with a DOROT social worker is required.

For further information or to refer a homeless senior, call the Homelessness Prevention Program at (212) 580-0001.

New York City Department of Aging

DFTA’s mission is to work for the empowerment, independence, dignity and quality of life of NYC’s diverse older adults and for the support of their families through advocacy, education, and the coordination and delivery of services. Goals: To foster independence and individual choices, confront ageism and promote opportunities for older people to share their leadership, knowledge and skills. To inform and educate the general public about aging issues, including services, supports and opportunities for older New Yorkers and their families. To be a catalyst for increased resources to enhance and expand programs and services for older New Yorkers. To enhance and expand effective, productive partnerships with consumers, advocates, private and public organizations.

- 2 Lafayette St 6th Floor, New York, NY 10007
- Call 311

Encore Community Services

The shortage of affordable housing in New York City is a critical issue, particularly for low-income seniors. Encore has taken a proactive role to develop housing, both for homeless elderly with special needs and low-income seniors. These housing facilities are aimed at providing safe and decent housing for seniors, and contribute to the revitalization and stability of the Times Square and Clinton communities in midtown Manhattan.

- (212) 581-3490
- encorecommunityservices.org

Encore Community Services

Located at St. Malachy's, The Actors' Chapel
Administrative Offices
239 West 49th Street
New York, New York 10019
Tel: (212) 581-2910
Fax: (212) 757- 0244

Encore Senior Center

Located in the lower level of St. Malachy's Church
239 West 49th Street
New York, New York 10019
Tel: (212) 581-2910
Fax: (212) 664-8628

The Encore 49 Residence

220 West 49th Street, New York, NY 10019
Tel: 212-581-3490 (Social Services)
Tel: 212-246-0880 (Building & Front Desk) Fax: 212-541-7697

The Encore West Residence

755 Tenth Avenue, New York, NY 10019 (between 51st and 52nd Streets)
Tel: 212-991-3727
Fax: 212-991-6722

ACCESS AND FUNCTIONAL NEEDS

NY Connects

Information and Assistance Specialists provide personalized counseling to help you make informed decisions and can assist you in accessing available long term services and supports to meet existing or future long term needs. You can contact NY Connects even if you already use long term services and supports.

<http://www.nyconnects.ny.gov/nyprovider/consumer/indexNY.do>

Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OWPDD)

The New York State Office for People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD) is responsible for coordinating services for more than 126,000 New Yorkers with developmental disabilities, including

intellectual disabilities, cerebral palsy, Down syndrome, autism spectrum disorders, and other disabilities. It provides services directly and through a network of approximately 700 nonprofit service providing agencies, with about 80 percent of services provided by the private nonprofits and 20 percent provided by state-run services.

www.opwdd.ny.gov 75 Morton St, 2nd fl New York NY 10014 Sheryl Minter-Brooks: 212-229-3000

OPWDD has been working on several fronts to identify and provide relief from standards that may not have been met because of Hurricane Sandy.

State Laws and Regulations

Governor Cuomo has issued a number of Executive Orders pertaining to Hurricane Sandy. These Executive Orders can be found on Governor Cuomo's website at:
<http://www.governor.ny.gov/sl2/ExecutiveOrderindex>.

Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD)

Commissioner Victor Calise
212-NEW-YORK 212-504-4115 TTY
100 Gold St, 2nd Floor NYC 10038
www.nyc.gov/html/mopd/home.html

Disability Funders Network

The Disability Funders Network Rapid Response Fund helps nonprofit organizations meet the immediate and long-term needs of people with disabilities in Northeastern regions impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The DFN Rapid Response Fund will offer mini-grants to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations to meet specific needs such as transportation, shelter, medication, medical equipment and assistive technology for people with disabilities. Grants from the DFN Rapid Response Fund will be disbursed directly to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations with the capacity to affect the greatest need among hurricane victims and/or evacuees with disabilities. Initially, grants from the fund will focus on immediate needs of people with disabilities. Eventually, awards will be made to address long-term needs as well. For more information on this fund and/or to make a contribution, please contact khutchinson@disabilityfunders.org. The Disability Funders Network Rapid Response Fund for People with Disabilities is now accepting applications. For more information, go to: http://www.disabilityfunders.org/news_events. Grants will continue to be awarded until funds are depleted. The average amount of any one grant is \$5,000. Multiple requests from a single organization are not encouraged.

AmeriCares

Partnering with various organizations to provide medical equipment and supplies to those with functional medical needs/disabilities. Those seeking items can participate in this program by making contact with either their local Independent Living Center (locations listed at www.acces.nysed.gov/vr/lcn/ilc/locations.htm) or a TRAIID-in center (locations listed at cqc.ny.gov/advocacy/assistive-technology/traid-regional-offices). Opens at 9:30 am

Independent Living Centers

Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York

The Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York's (CIDNY) goal is to ensure full integration, independence and equal opportunity for all people with disabilities by removing barriers to the social, economic, cultural and civic life of the community. Benefits and housing advisement and walk in clinic:

- 841 Broadway, Suite 301, New York, NY
- 212-674-2300
- www.cidny.org

Staten Island Center

Lorraine DeSantis, Executive Director
Staten Island Center for Independent Living
470 Castleton Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10301

- TEL (718) 720-9016
- TTY (718) 720-9870
- FAX (718) 720-9664
- Email: sicil@siciliving.org
- Website: www.geocities.com/siciliving/

Harlem Independent Living Center (HILC)

(212) 222-7122
289 St. Nicholas Avenue, Suite 21
New York, NY 10027

Helen Keller Services for the Blind

718-522-2122
<http://www.helenkeller.org>
57 Willoughby Street, Brooklyn NY 11201

Cerebral Palsy Assoc New York State (CPANYS)

www.cpofnys.org 212-947-5770 330 W 34th St, New York NY 10001

Housing Discrimination Hotline

If you believe you have experienced discrimination during your search for housing, or face disability access issues, call the Housing Discrimination Hotline at (800) 496-4294 (New York and New Jersey) or file a complaint online. Persons outside New York or New Jersey should call (800) 669-9777 or (800) 927-9275 (TTY) or file a complaint online.

<http://www.hud.gov/complaints/housediscrim.cfm>

ANIMALS

Animal Care and Control of New York

Animal Care & Control of New York City (AC&C) is the largest pet organization in the North East, with an estimated number of 44,000 animals rescued each year. As a not-for-profit organization since 1995, Animal Care & Control has been responsible for New York City's municipal shelter system, rescuing, caring for, and finding loving homes for homeless and abandoned animals in New York City. AC&C facilities operate in all five boroughs.

- 326 East 110th Street New York, NY 10029
- 212-788-4000
- www.nycacc.org

ASPCA

Founded in 1866, the ASPCA® (The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®) was the first humane organization established in the Americas, and today has more than one million supporters throughout North America. A 501[c][3] not-for-profit corporation, the ASPCA's mission is to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the United States. As the first humane organization to be granted legal authority to investigate and make arrests for crimes against animals, we are wholly dedicated to fulfilling the ASPCA mission through nonviolent approaches. Our organization provides local and national leadership in three key areas: caring for pets parents and pets, providing positive outcomes for at-risk animals and serving victims of cruelty. For more information, please visit www.asPCA.org.

- 520 8th Ave 7th Floor, New York, NY 10018
- 212-876-7700

Bideawee

Bideawee is a 106-year-old humane agency that saves thousands of homeless cats, kittens, dogs, and puppies every year. Since 1903, Bideawee has provided housing, food, and medical and behavioral care to help formerly abandoned, abused, and neglected pets find and keep new homes and families. Our services for pets support them through every stage of their lives, from fostering and adoption at our

New York City and Westhampton (Long Island) locations to our Pet Memorial Parks at our Westhampton and Wantagh (Long Island) sites. Bideawee's veterinary practices in Westhampton and New York City care for both resident pets and the pets of private clients. In addition, we offer services that foster greater appreciation and respect for the value of companion animals at all three locations, such as pet therapy and our Reading to Dogs program that helps children overcome literacy challenges.

- 410 East 38th Street, New York, NY 10016
- 866-262-8133
- www.bideawee.org

Mayor's Alliance for NYC's Animals

The Mayor's Alliance programs that are moving NYC toward its no-kill goal are high-profile collaborative adoption events; the Alliance transport van program that transports animals from the city's Animal Care & Control (AC&C) shelters to no-kill organizations that find them permanent homes; the Picasso Veterinary Fund that pays for extraordinary, life-saving medical care for sick or injured animals transferred from AC&C to other Alliance Participating Organizations for adoption; and promotion of spay/neuter programs, including the Maddie's Spay/Neuter Project in NYC, which is administered by the Mayor's Alliance. Locating lost pets and providing food.

- 244 Fifth Ave, Suite R290, New York, NY 10001
- 347-573-1561 Sand Clients
- www.AnimalAllianceNYC.org

North Shore Animal League

- 25 Davis Avenue, Port Washington, NY 11050
- (516) 883.7575
- www.animalleague.org/

ARTISTS AND ACTORS

Craft Emergency Relief Fund (CERF)

relief@craftemergency.org, 802-229-2306

http://craftemergency.org/artists_services/emergency_relief/grants_loans

<http://craftemergency.org/emergency-response>

Rapid Relief: Emergency Grants – CERF+'s Emergency Grants are designed to provide immediate help to eligible craft artists after career-threatening emergencies. The maximum potential Emergency Grant is \$3,000. The maximum potential Emerging Professional Craft Artist Emergency Grant is \$2,000. CERF+ loans and other CERF+ grants are not available to those qualifying for this grant program.

Career Recovery: Emergency Recovery Loan – CERF+'s Emergency Recovery Loan is used by an eligible craft artist to re-establish, improve, or possibly expand his/her work capacity after an emergency. The maximum potential Emergency Recovery Loan is \$8,000. No interest is charged and loans must be repaid within five years. To be considered for an Emergency Recovery Loan, applicants must answer all applicable application questions, provide a cash flow projection statement for the next 12 months as well a short, loan-related business plan.

<http://www.nyfa.org/source/content/content/disasterresources/disasterresources.aspx?DRID=49&CID=5&UDRID>

Actors Fund NY Office Services To Those Affected By Sandy-

If your home or apartment was damaged in the storm and you don't know who to contact for help; if you are without work or between gigs and have no steady income; if you are without medical insurance and in need of medical care; or if you simply are at risk with no friends or family to go to

for emergency financial help – the entertainment and performing arts community can continue to reach out to us for assistance.

For Emergency Financial Assistance:

The Actors Fund – Call these temporary NYC office numbers at:

- 917.281.5936 – Main Number
- 917.281.5917 – Social Services

CHILD CARE AND FAMILY SERVICES

Achiezer assists families contending with issues such as illness, death, family discord, mental health needs and financial crises, by providing medical and mental health professionals, rabbis, lay leaders and volunteers to help families through challenging times. This grant will allow Achiezer to add one or two social workers and case managers to help families with their mental health, medical, insurance and financial needs caused by Sandy. 24 hour help line 516-791-4444 www.achiezer.org

Bank Street College of Education works to provide a six-week therapeutic classroom intervention and follow up at PS 52 in Sheepshead Bay, PS 197 in Far Rockaway and the Community and Family Head Start Center in Far Rockaway, as these institutions were identified to have a high concentration of students and staff who experienced storm-related trauma and upheaval. Bankstreet.edu 212-875-4400

Community Solutions provides funds to help families displaced from NYCHA units afford the move-in costs and household supplies (beds, furniture, clothing) needed to move into new NYCHA housing as well as emergency cash assistance to families in need through their community homes program. 212.471.0878 www.cmtysolutions.org

SCO Family of Services provides emergency food, supplies and expanded services to children and families in Far Rockaway as well as support for staffing and general operating expenses incurred due to the storm. SCO has been chosen as one of NYC Restore’s community-based organizations, which is helping people in the areas most affected by Hurricane Sandy get access to the information and services they need to recover. www.stchristopher-ottilie.org 718.895.2555

University Settlement Society to provide cash assistance, emergency food and supplies and expanded social services to children and families across New York City impacted by Hurricane Sandy and to support additional staffing and general operating expenses incurred due to the storm. www.universitysettlement.org (212) 674-9120

Day Care Council of New York, Inc.

Counties Served: New York City

Ms. Andrea Anthony, Executive Director

Phone: (212) 206-7818

Email: aanthony@dccnyinc.org

Four NYC CCR&R subcontractors:

Center for Children's Initiatives

Ms. Nancy Kolben, Executive Director
Phone: (212) 929-7604 x 3010, x 3016
Email: nkolben@centerforchildrensinitiatives.org

Child Development Support Corporation

Ms. Marcia Rowe Riddick, Executive Director
Phone: (718) 398-6370
Email: mriddick@cdscnyc.org

Chinese American Planning Council, Inc.

Counties Served: New York City David Chen, Executive Director Phone: (212) 941-0030 x 207
Email: dschen@cpc-nyc.org

Committee for Hispanic Children & Families, Inc.

Counties Served: New York City
Ms. Elba Montalvo, Executive Director
Phone: (212) 206- 1090
Email: emontalvo@chcfinc.org

Families in New York City can also access programs by calling 311.

CLOTHING DISTRIBUTION

Goodwill Industries of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey

Distributing clothing vouchers to those affected by Hurricane Sandy. Please bring your FEMA number with you to your local store or call for more information on these vouchers.

- Main office: Goodwill Industries of Greater New York & Northern New Jersey, 4-21 27th Avenue, Astoria, NY 11102
- 718-728-5400
- www.goodwillnynj.org

DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT

An organized, effective long-term recovery process is needed when survivors' personal resources, insurance, and government grants and loans are insufficient to meet their recovery needs. Potential clients should be referred to Disaster Case Management if they have disaster-caused needs not met by the referring organization's program(s).

New York State, with funding from the FEMA, is providing disaster case management (DCM) services for New Yorkers with unmet needs arising from Hurricane Sandy. Catholic Charities Community Services, Archdiocese of New York is managing the DCM program, as it did following Hurricanes Irene and Lee.

Location	Agency	Intake Phone
Bronx	Bronxworks	718-508-3192
	SCO Family	718 293 7401
	Project HOPE	1-800-544-4673 (HOPE) (718) 292-9090
	Catholic Charities	
Brooklyn Coney Island and Gravesend Red Hook Coney Island	Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens	718-722-6223
	Good Shepherd	718-522-6910/6911
Manhattan	Catholic Charities Community Services, Archdiocese of NY	855-258-0483 212-233-5032
Queens Breezy Point, including Belle Harbor and Rockaway Park Far Rockaway Far Rockaway and Arverne	Catholic Charities Brooklyn and Queens	718-722-6223 212- 453-9539
	Met Council	516-493-6457/5284
	SCO	718-206-3286
Staten Island	Catholic Charities Community Services, Archdiocese of New York	718-447-6330, ext. 21 718-816-1521
	NYCHA	
	Project Hospitality	718-448-1544 x103

Background

The DCM program is designed to provide a locally based disaster case manager for New Yorkers with unmet needs related to Hurricane Sandy. By funding a coordinated network of community-based agencies, New York State hopes to provide easy access to support for residents seeking help and to avoid duplication of services.

Catholic Charities is subcontracting with locally based not-for-profits to provide direct services through October 2014 in the following counties: Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster, and Westchester.

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for the DCM program, a person must have an unmet need that arose from or was exacerbated by Hurricane Sandy. Those who are ineligible for FEMA or other assistance programs are still eligible for the DCM program as long as they have a verifiable unmet need related to the storm.

Program Model

- Offering information and referral services to clients that do not need, want, or qualify for DCM services;
- Accepting client inquiries by phone, in person by appointment or on a walk-in basis;
- Preparing a comprehensive assessment of client needs;
- Developing an outcomes-based individualized disaster recovery plan;
- Providing crisis intervention services where appropriate;
- Advocating to resolve unmet needs and to access available benefits and services;
- Maintaining ongoing contact with clients;
- Initiating or participating in case conferencing where needed with other service providers;
- Closing cases as appropriate, and referring clients with unmet needs to long term recovery committees in their communities;

Accessing Services

Through 211/311, the Catholic Charities SANDY Helpline (855-258-0483), or directly through DCM agencies (see grid, above).

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD ABUSE**Safe Horizon**

Safe Horizon's mission is to provide support, prevent violence, and promote justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families and communities.

- 2 Lafayette St., 3rd Fl, New York, NY
- 1-800-621-HOPE(4673)
- www.safehorizon.org

Mayor's Office to Combat Domestic Violence

Office dedicated to provide access to emergency shelter and permanent housing with support services. Their website includes a comprehensive directory of 246 service providers searchable by borough and service. These providers include, but are not limited to, housing, case management, financial support, medical support, and additional social benefits. The HOPE hotline can provide any caller with information on these services and information on receiving Sandy benefits in addition to domestic violence support.

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/ocdv/html/directory/directory.shtml>

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/ocdv/html/services/housing.shtml>
(800)621-4673

Victims of Domestic Violence

If you have been the victim of a recent incident of domestic abuse:

- Call 911 if you are in an emergency situation.

If you require emergency shelter (domestic violence shelter), or need help figuring out the options, call:

- NYC Domestic Violence Hotline: 800-621-HOPE (TDD 800-810-7444).

You may also find the following hotlines and Web sites useful:

- Crime Victims Hotline 212-577-7777
- Rape & Sexual Assault Hotline 212-227-3000
- Department of Youth and Community Development's Domestic Violence Awareness and Intervention page: www.nyc.gov/html/dycd/html/services-domestic-violence.html.
- A list of non-residential DV services (pdf) – www.nyc.gov/html/hra/downloads/pdf/nonres_card.pdf – can be found on the HRA Web site: www.nyc.gov/html/hra/html/family_independence/domestic_violence.shtml

In the longer term you may be eligible to request housing from the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA), which provides priority housing to Victims of Domestic Violence (DV) in both the public housing and Section 8 programs. NYCHA tenants who move in with a DV priority will be offered After-Care supportive services.

DONATIONS AND GRANTS

AARP Foundation created a relief fund to support the victims devastated by Superstorm Sandy. Working with local AARP State offices, they will direct funds to organizations providing relief and recovery support to disaster victims. AARP and its members are committed to helping those in need, so to bolster the Foundation's relief effort, AARP and its affiliates will match dollar-for-dollar contributions up to \$500,000. One hundred percent of all funds raised will be used to help the victims of this disaster.

<http://www.aarp.org/aarp-foundation/grants/> (888) OUR-AARP. Toll Free Hotline

The **ACE Group** made a donation of \$250,000 to the American Red Cross to support disaster relief efforts in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy. In addition, the Foundation organized a campaign for donations from ACE's U.S. employees that it will match 100 percent.

Stephen M. Wasdick, (212) 827-4444
stephen.wasdick@acegroup.com

Allstate created a fund that supports local nonprofit organizations in affected areas that have capacity and capabilities but need resources to help people rebuild their lives. The Allstate Foundation will use its national reach into local communities to identify eligible nonprofit organizations. Local relationships of Allstate agents will be leveraged with awards made to organizations where agency owners volunteer. The identified nonprofits will be eligible for grants between 5,000 -20,000. Deadline for Letter of Intent and Applications is March 30.
grants@allstate.com. <http://www.allstatefoundation.org/frequently-asked-questions#13>

The **Altman Foundation** will support non- profit organizations doing program development or community development work to improve the public sphere. Grants are reviewed on a rolling case by

case basis and recent Sandy related awards include \$175,000 to Catholic Charities for Hurricane Support Services. http://www.altmanfoundation.org/grant_seekers/guidelines

Amgen and the **Amgen Foundation** will support nonprofit organizations providing medical relief and vital health services for patients affected by Hurricane Sandy. The contribution of \$250,000 will support relief efforts, including \$100,000 to Direct Relief International to advance its work with hundreds of clinics in the affected areas. The balance of donations will be disbursed to organizations that specifically support dialysis patients, for whom timely care is critical. <http://www.amgen.com/citizenship/guidelines.html>

The **American Red Cross in Greater New York** prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. The American Red Cross is always there in times of need, aspiring to turn compassion into action so that all people affected by disasters across the country and around the world receive care, shelter and hope.

- 520 West 49th Street, New York, NY, 10019
- 877-733-2767
- www.nyredcross.org

The **Asian American Federation** has created a Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund to assist individuals and families in need in the New York City metro region's Asian-American communities: http://www.nycharities.org/donate/c_donate.asp?CharityCode=1228.

Bowery Residents Committee 150,000 in grants to assist clients in housing relocation services.

By mail, please write:

BRC

131 West 25th Street

12th Floor

New York, NY 10001 By phone: 212-803-5700 By e-mail: info@brc.org

The **Breezy Point Disaster Relief Fund, Inc.** will assist the residents of Breezy Point, NY through financial means, based on need, in the following important areas: assistance for residents to maintain their financial obligations during the rebuilding of their community; assistance for residents toward new financial obligations for temporary housing costs during the rebuilding of their community, assistance for residents towards the new costs incurred during the repair or rebuilding of their homes in Breezy Point, and assistance for other new and miscellaneous costs incurred as a result of the hurricane.

Breezy Point Disaster Relief Fund Inc.
C/O The Law Office of Lee and Kane
2175 Flatbush Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11234

<http://breezypointdisasterrelief.org/>

Brooklyn Recovery Fund

www.BrooklynRecoveryFund.org

The Brooklyn Recovery Fund, which has collected \$2.3 million in donations, announced its latest award winners. Funds will address mold removal and remediation; electrical and heating system repairs and replacement; and structural repairs to homes, nonprofit facilities, or buildings used by small businesses. The Community Rebuilding Grants range from \$120,000 to \$225,000 and are exclusively awarded to nonprofit organizations with a history of effective housing and community development activity in Brooklyn. Contact:

45 Main Street, Suite 409, Brooklyn NY 11201 and (718) 722 2300.

Development@BrooklynCommunityFoundation.org

Catholic Charities is providing emergency food, shelter, direct financial assistance, counseling and support “regardless of religious, social, or economic backgrounds” to Sandy’s victims. Additionally, their neediest cases program provides direct assistance to one individual a month.

Help Line(888)744-7900

<http://www.catholiccharitiesny.org/get-help/contact-us/>

Capital One announced a \$1 million commitment to support Hurricane Sandy relief efforts. Capital One’s cash contributions include \$200,000 in emergency relief grants and an additional \$600,000 to support longer-term recovery efforts and they will also match up to \$200,000 in contributions made by customers through the Capital One No Hassle Giving site. Shelley Solheim, 917-589-6203 shelley.solheim@capitalone.com

Center for Disaster Philanthropy Hurricane Sandy Fund: The Center for Disaster Philanthropy has established the CDP Hurricane Sandy Disaster Fund to help maximize the impact of philanthropic support. Its program board and staff will recommend the allocation of funds for both immediate and longer-term recovery efforts that may arise from Hurricane Sandy. These resources will be directed strategically and efficiently to help communities recover more quickly and become more resilient. Barbara O’Reilly, Director of Development: (202) 538-1498 | barbara.oreilly@disasterphilanthropy.org

Disability Opportunity Fund will provide gap financing for disabled homeowners who were impacted by Hurricane Sandy. To provide technical assistance for people seeking disability-accessible housing and financial/legal support related to relocation. In addition, DOF will use the Robin Hood grant to provide gap financing for 50-75 families with unmet needs. Grant made through the Robin Hood Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund. www.thedof.org

The **Disability Funders Network Rapid Response Fund** is being activated to help nonprofit organizations meet the immediate and long-term needs of people with disabilities in Northeastern

regions impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The DFN Rapid Response Fund will offer mini-grants to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations to meet specific needs such as transportation, shelter, medication, medical equipment and assistive technology for people with disabilities. Grants from the DFN Rapid Response Fund will be disbursed directly to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations with the capacity to affect the greatest need among hurricane victims and/or evacuees with disabilities. Initially, grants from the fund will focus on immediate needs of people with disabilities. Eventually, awards will be made to address long-term needs as well. For more information on this fund and/or to make a contribution, please contact khutchinson@disabilityfunders.org. The Disability Funders Network Rapid Response Fund for People with Disabilities is now accepting applications. For more information, go to: http://www.disabilityfunders.org/news_events. Grants will continue to be awarded until funds are depleted. The average amount of any one grant is \$5,000. Multiple requests from a single organization are not encouraged.

The **Empire State Relief Fund** was announced by Governor Cuomo on November 9. The ESRF is focused on the restoration of long-term residential housing and "bridging the gap between the amount covered by FEMA and insurance companies and the amount that our fellow New Yorkers truly need to restore their civility and their livelihood." The fund's site—with suggested donations of \$10 to \$2,500 or more—also has [a Flickr stream](#). The Empire State Relief Fund will focus on long-term residential housing assistance to help fill the funding gap and ensure that New Yorkers can continue to call New York home. 1-855-NYS-SANDY

The **Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation** announced that it will donate up to \$1 million in support of ongoing Superstorm Sandy relief efforts. Grants to organizations working to provide both short- and long-term assistance directly to storm victims include \$100,000 to the Archdiocese of New York for the care of mentally ill evacuees and frail older adults who have been displaced by the storm and require housing and material assistance; \$250,000 to the Robin Hood Foundation to regrant among nonprofits working in the Tri-State Area; \$250,000 each to the UJA Federation of New York and the Jewish Federations of North America for distribution of short-term emergency funds as well as longer-term capital support for non-FEMA-eligible projects; and \$150,000 for additional needs as they are identified. <http://hjweinbergfoundation.org/grants/>

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt has pledged its help to schools, public libraries and community organizations in affected regions. HMH has committed in excess of \$1 million in total relief support, including cash and book donations, as well as discounted products to replace books and materials lost in the storm. 800-225-3362

HSBC USA announced a \$1 million commitment in support of the disaster recovery efforts. HSBC will also match dollar-for-dollar all employee donations to disaster relief efforts through its existing employee giving program, as well as working with community partners who provide emergency housing and financial assistance in the storm-impacted areas through the Local Initiatives Support Corporation.

Tel. (212) 455-9800

Fax: (212) 682-5929

Email: info@lisc.org

Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island responds to the needs of seniors and families in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy and rebuilds its organizational infrastructure and program capacity responds to the needs of seniors and families in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy and rebuilds its organizational infrastructure and program capacity. www.coney-island.org

Jewish Federations of North America Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund. The Jewish Federations of North America has opened the JFNA Hurricane Relief Fund to contribute to recovery and rebuilding in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. Donors are urged to contribute to their local Federation or through the [online donation form](#) at <http://JFeds.org/SandyRelief> or text RELIEF to 51818 on a mobile device to pledge a donation.

The **Korean American Community Foundation** has established the Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund to support nonprofit organizations that are spearheading relief efforts and/or are affected by the storm. For more information, please email brennan@kacfny.org.

Liberty Street Relief Fund

http://www.smartresponse.org/disaster-organization.php?organization_id=189&disaster_id=10 the Liberty Street Relief Fund, Inc. will use the funds first to provide disaster relief assistance to employees of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, employees of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and employees of the Office of Employee Benefits of the Federal Reserve System affected by Tropical Storm Sandy.

Limited Brands, Inc. donated \$1 million to Hurricane Sandy relief. \$500,000 was donated to the American Red Cross for immediate assistance and an additional \$500,000 will be designated for organizations working on rebuilding efforts.

Robin Baker

Michelle Burton

Tel: 614-545-3227

LimitedBrandsFdn@columbusfoundation.org

The **Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)** has launched the LISC Emergency Relief Fund to help people in low-income neighborhoods that were affected by Hurricane Sandy get the assistance they need to recover from this disaster: <http://www.sacbee.com/2012/11/08/4971731/lisc-establishes-emergency-relief.html>

Mayor's Fund to Advance NYC utilizes 5.5 million in funds for Hurricane Relief. Relief encompasses direct financial assistance for individuals and businesses. Additionally, non-monetary awards of assistance including food, shelter, clothing, and job training are available.

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/fund/html/home/home.shtml>

The **Mertz Gilmore Foundation** is providing [\\$200,000 in grants to help modern dance companies](#) that have suffered losses and damages due to Hurricane Sandy. Mertz Gilmore also made a grant to Good Jobs New York's (GJNY) Hurricane Sandy watchdog efforts to help ensure that organizations representing low- and moderate-income New Yorkers and small businesses are informed of and understand proposals for rebuilding resources. By monitoring various economic development agencies and public authorities, GJNY will alert them to opportunities for public hearings or comment

periods and begin assembling data on allocated and/or proposed funds. This data will be included in GJNY's Database of Deals, where the public can find company-specific information about the recipients of post-9/11 aid and other economic development subsidies allocated by New York City. Those interested should sign up for the group's [monthly subsidy alert](#). Leigh Ross at lross@dancenyc.org.

Modest Needs Foundation created a Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund, which will be used to assist low-income households in New Jersey, New York and Connecticut; thus far, they have raised \$165,000. The grants will award \$1500 per household on a rolling basis. Funds will be distributed immediately upon receipt of award. <https://www.modestneeds.org/donation/Hurricane-Sandy-Relief-Program.asp>

Morgan Stanley has announced that the Firm will match employees' total contributions up to the level of \$2.5 million and make a minimum contribution to the Red Cross of \$1 million. Administered grants through NEF and LISC. www.nefinc.org.

New York Business Association Corporation – The small business assistance grant program provides grants to help small businesses in New York City that have suffered physical damage as a result of Hurricane Sandy. The grant is offered by the New York Business Assistance Corporation (NYBAC).

Grants are 5K and offered on a rolling basis through December 31,2013. If you are a small business in need of an emergency loan to recover from business interruption, you can now access loans of up to \$25,000. Loans are interest-free for the first six months and 1% interest for the following 24 months. Businesses that are approved for a loan and have been displaced from their workplace for three weeks or more can also receive up to an additional \$10,000 through the NYC Matching Grant.

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/sbs/nycbiz/html/home/Hurricane%20Sandy%20Recovery%20Services.shtml>

The New York City Pension Funds

NYCPF's \$500 million investment will provide the needed equity for the projects, which are expected to utilize approximately \$1 billion of additional loans toward the total \$1.5 billion in Sandy-related building projects. The investments will be made by two newly formed partnerships with Related Companies and the Hudson Companies Incorporated, which the Funds will provide with \$300 million and \$200 million respectively. The Related investment program will focus on the renovation and reconstruction of housing that was damaged or destroyed by Sandy. The investment will additionally create a loan program to offer property owners who face shortfalls from insurance proceeds, with funds to restore properties to full function. Related will invest \$10 million of its own funds into the overall program. Hudson will receive \$200 million, 80 percent of which will create affordable and market-rate housing in coastal areas zoned A, B, and C that were impacted by Sandy. Hudson will acquire properties in need of repair and retrofitting. For more information contact Comptroller John Liu's office: www.comptroller.nyc.gov

The **New York Council for the Humanities** is offering [grants of up to \\$1,500](#) to defray costs for staff, paid workers and volunteers working on storm-related clean up. When downstate New York was hit hard by Superstorm Sandy, many of the state's cultural organizations sustained major damage: libraries lost collections, historic sites were compromised and museums were forced to close their doors for extensive clean-up. Grant applications will be accepted until March 31st.
<http://www.nyhumanities.org/grants/projects/apply.php>

New York Emergency First Response Squad of Hamilton Beach and Howard Beach will continue to provide relief to needy families through direct payment of urgent bills and providing gift cards for the purchase of furniture, bedding, clothing, cleaning supplies, and other critical household needs.

New York Foundation for the Arts (NYFA) is administering the Emergency Relief Fund. NYFA will work closely with its community network, local arts contacts and other organizations in the affected tri-state region. The Andy Warhol Foundation for the Arts allocated \$2 million for the fund, half to go to affected visual arts organizations and half to individual artists. The Rauschenberg Foundation and Lambent Foundation will augment the fund. The Warhol Foundation and the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation will both address nonprofit organizations in need through info@emergencygrants.org with The Andy Warhol Foundation making grants to visual arts organizations and the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation making grants to other cultural organizations. All three foundations will pool their assets to assist individual artists through the New York Foundation for the Arts.
<http://www.nyfa.org/level2.asp?id=202&fid=1info@emergencygrants.org>

New York Life has made a \$1 million commitment to disaster relief and recovery from Hurricane Sandy, as well as implementing an unlimited matching gift program for employees, agents and retirees to support the American National Red Cross and Feeding America including \$250,000 to local nonprofits for recovery efforts in the Tri-State Area. New York Life employees, agents and retirees contributed approximately \$250,000 for Hurricane Sandy victims; after matching employee contributions, the company's Hurricane Sandy disaster relief totaled \$1.5 million.
<http://t.co/onlFmtHI>

New York Police Disaster Relief Fund

Five New York City Police Department Police Unions Establish Disaster Relief Fund to provide immediate assistance to Police Officers directly affected by the devastation of Hurricane Sandy. The goal of the organization is to provide monetary and grant relief for uniformed members of the New York City Police Department and Police Officers in the State of New York that have suffered economic loss as a result of a catastrophic disaster. The Fund provided a total of \$376,000 to 940 police officers by means of a \$400 relief grant to each affected officer. Need is determined on a case by case basis after a requesting officer submits a relief fund request form that is accompanied by a FEMA registration number and application that reflects catastrophic loss. Contact: **New York Police Disaster Relief Fund**, 233 Broadway, Suite 1801
New York, NY 10279

Partnerships for Parks Recovery Grants. Partnerships for Parks builds community by helping New Yorkers care for their neighborhood parks. Partnerships for Parks Recovery Grants support community groups dedicated to parks with funding for capacity-building projects focused on storm recovery. Grants will be made on a rolling basis. Applications are considered in the order in which they are received, and grants are made until funds run out. Grants range from \$200 to \$2,000. Partnerships for Parks will do their best to notify applicants within two weeks. Contact Channaly Philipp at (212) 676-1929 or (212) 360-1310 or Grants@CityParksFoundation.org

Prudential Financial, Inc. announced that it is donating \$3 million through The Prudential Foundation to nonprofit organizations assisting in the immediate relief and recovery efforts for victims of Hurricane Sandy. These include the Community FoodBank of New Jersey, the Salvation Army, the American Red Cross and other organizations. In addition, Prudential will match employees' personal contributions to nonprofit organizations delivering relief efforts and services in the communities affected by the hurricane. <http://www.prudential.com/view/page/public/12154> please call (973) 802-4070 or send inquiries to: community.resources@prudential.com.

The **Robin Hood Foundation** has initiated The Robin Hood Relief Fund is helping nonprofit organizations serving individuals hardest hit by Sandy by delivering money, materials and know-how to groups throughout New York's tri-state area. <http://www.robinhood.org/applying-relief-grants>

Repair the World, a national nonprofit that works to inspire American Jews to volunteer, is offering micro-grants for winter and spring alternative break programs that focus on Hurricane Sandy relief and response efforts. Alternative breaks offer young adults a hands-on service-learning opportunity and give them the chance to experience how the integration of service, education and reflection can create a meaningful and positive change in themselves and in communities. The micro-grants, ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000, may be used by programs to help cover costs of the trip such as travel, supplies, staffing and local housing. Eligible groups should engage teens, college students and post-college-aged young adults (up to age 35) to serve at least 200 hours, to implement a disaster response service-learning curriculum developed by Repair the World and to report on their experiences. All groups receiving a micro-grant must operate under or in connection to a 501(c)(3).

www.werepair.org

555 8th Ave., Suite 1703

New York, NY 10018

Tel. 1.646.695.2700

The **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation** has pledged \$5 million to Hurricane Sandy relief and recovery efforts in New Jersey. Shortly after the storm, the foundation gave a \$250,000 grant to the American Red Cross of Central New Jersey to support the agency's emergency services, including setting up shelters, deploying volunteers, distributing food and relief supplies and offering emotional support and services in affected communities. An additional \$250,000 grant was pledged to the Community Food Bank of New Jersey to help replenish food banks, shelters, soup kitchens and other agencies in the hardest-hit areas of the state. The Foundation allocated another \$4.5 million to help with the recovery, with a strong focus on health-related issues. <http://www.rwjf.org/>

The **Salesforce.com Foundation** has a three-pronged response to the disaster. It has set up a special

employee matching fund with the Red Cross which goes over and above the normal matching grant program. The Foundation has brought a Chatter Communities group online which has been designed to serve their nonprofit customers in the New York, Boston and DC metro areas. It will provide a way for the affected nonprofits to communicate with one another, share information and seek resources. The Foundation has also developed a grant fund that will be dispersed to local nonprofits whose needs surface through the community. These funds will be disbursed at the discretion of a local employee-based advisory committee. www.salesforce.com

Shell and **Motiva** have provided both financial support and gasoline supplies to support relief and recovery efforts of Hurricane Sandy. Its \$250,000 contribution to nonprofit organizations include support to the Corporation for National and Community Service, which mobilizes and deploys skilled volunteers to provide continuity and valuable recovery support. In addition, through the corporate match program, employee and retiree contributions to American Red Cross and other nonprofits providing relief and recovery efforts will be matched.

The **Staten Island Foundation** has created the Staten Island Foundation Non-Profit (SIFNP) Recovery Fund. The Staten Island Foundation will match the first \$500,000 from other philanthropic sources to this fund. The fund will make grants to nonprofit organizations serving Staten Island in order to meet the long-term challenges caused by this disaster as well as address disaster preparedness planning with lessons learned from this experience. The Staten Island Foundation invites other funders to contribute to the SIFNP Recovery Fund. A community advisory committee will provide input to The Staten Island Foundation regarding funding decisions. 5 Teleport Drive, Suite 200

Staten Island, NY 10311
Phone: 718.355.6228
Email: vlENZA@sinfpa.org

Stonewall Community Foundation has established The Sandy Recovery Fund for LGBTQ New Yorkers at Stonewall. email funds@stonewallfoundation.org.
<https://www.stonewallfoundation.org/grants/grants-process>

United Hospital Fund's Hurricane Sandy Health Care Employee Relief Fund has been established to provide direct assistance to employees of hospitals and other health care facilities in the affected communities who have suffered serious personal losses even as they worked to ensure the safety of those in their care. Funds raised for the employee relief fund will be distributed through hospitals and other health care organizations to those in need to help them recover from their losses and rebuild their lives.
http://www.uhfny.org/hurricane_sandy_relief_fund

United Technologies Corp. announced contributions in excess of \$500,000 to support relief and recovery efforts in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. They include: a \$300,000 financial donation to the American Red Cross and a company match; and delivery of 10,000 Kidde carbon monoxide alarms to the New York Fire Department. Another 10,000 alarms are expected to be donated to families and businesses in New York and New Jersey in the near future.

The **United Way Hurricane Sandy Recovery Fund** was established to address the near-term and long-

term recovery needs of individuals, families and communities along the Eastern Seaboard that were impacted by Hurricane Sandy's devastation. Contributions to the Fund will be used by local United Ways in Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Virginia, Washington, DC and West Virginia to address hurricane recovery needs in communities that FEMA has declared disaster areas. At the request of and in cooperation with United Way U.S.A., [United Way of New York City](#) is leading fundraising efforts and will ensure that all funds are used efficiently and effectively to serve those in need. United Way of New York City will charge no administrative fees. If you have any questions about the fund, please send an email to communication@uwnyc.org

UPS announced it has pledged \$1.5 million in cash and in-kind support to aid in the recovery efforts following the devastation caused by Superstorm Sandy.

The Weather Company, which includes The Weather Channel TV network, launched a partnership with the American Red Cross to match donations up to \$1 million for Hurricane Sandy relief.

Wells Fargo is donating \$250,000 to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund and an additional \$750,000 to other nonprofits supporting recovery, relief and rebuilding efforts in the region.

Young Families of Island Park will provide 150 families with \$1,000 in the form of gift cards, temporary housing payments, or payment toward reconstruction costs. Families must have children under the age of 18 and reside in Island Park. <http://www.iprelief.org/how-to-apply/>

National Donations Management Network—New York

This portal is designed to make it as easy as possible to donate financial support, product donations or to volunteer your skills and time to the nonprofit organizations that most need it.

- New York City: aidmatrixnetwork.org/fema/States.aspx?ST=New%20York%20City
- New York State: www.Ndmn.us/ny

FAITH COMMUNITIES

Adventist Community Services Disaster Response

Providing disaster relief supplies such as blankets and shelf stable meals.

- 1529 Morris Ave, Bronx, NY 10457
- 1-877-227-2702
- NY – 718-565-0850
- NJ – 609-256-2005

Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation

Community Service, Disaster Relief

- 909-447-7799
- www.us.tzuchi.org/us/en/

Tzu Chi Manhattan Service Center

- 34 Howard St., New York, NY 10013
- 212-965-1151
- 1-877-889-8244

Catholic Charities of New York

The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York seeks to uphold the dignity of each person as made in the image of God by serving the basic needs of the poor, troubled, frail and oppressed of all religions. Through a network of administered, sponsored and affiliated agencies, Catholic Charities delivers, coordinates, and advocates for quality human services and programs touching almost every human need.

- 1011 First Avenue, 12th Floor, New York, NY 10022
- 888-744-7900
- 212-419-3737 (for immigration-related questions only)
- www.catholiccharitiesny.org

Brooklyn Community Center

- 191 Joralemon St., 7th Floor, Brooklyn, NY
- 718-722-6001
- www.ccbq.org

Queens Community Center

- 23-40 Astoria Boulevard, Astoria, N.Y. 11102
- 718-726-9790
- www.ccbq.org

Staten Island Community Center

- 718-447-6330
- 120 Anderson Ave Staten Island, NY 10302

Chabad Lubavitch

With a global structure located throughout the world, Chabad-Lubavitch has the ability to lend crisis support to devastated communities regardless of the race, religion or nationality. When disasters strike, Chabad is there providing emergency services to victims and communities, including: Life-saving rescue and evacuation, Burial assistance, Temporary shelter and nutrition, Medical care, Counseling for the alleviation of emotional suffering, Foster care for orphaned children, Advocacy for victims, Resettlement and rebuilding efforts, Coordination of volunteers.

Lubavitch World Headquarters
770 Eastern Parkway
Brooklyn, New York 11213

Phone: 718 774.4000
Fax 718 774.2718
Email: info@lubavitch.com

<http://lubavitch.com/program.html?h=606>

Church World Service

Christians working together with partners to eradicate hunger and poverty and to promote peace and justice around the world. Providing cleaning kits, hygiene kits, and blankets.

- 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 700, New York, NY
- 800-297-1516
- www.churchworldservice.org

Council of Jewish Organizations

comprises representative leaders of secular, civic and fraternal Jewish organizations and synagogues. The council regularly reviews issues of concern in education, social welfare and cultural activities and acts as the voice of the Jewish community.

One of the main efforts of the Council is its food pantry, which serves several thousand people each month, the majority of which are members of the Jewish community. It is also involved in referrals regarding social services and puts out a newspaper, The Jewish Voice of Staten Island, several times a year. Serving Sheepshead Bay, Brighton Beach, Coney Island, Seagate Gerritsen Beach, Bergen Beach, Breezy Point, the Rockaways, Belle Harbor and Bayswater, COJO Flatbush is helping 250 families relocate to temporary housing. COJO will use this grant to expand staffing to provide continuity of care, help families access benefits and insurance (including FEMA) for which they are eligible, and ensure these families become stably housed.

For more information call the COJO office at 718-720-4047 or email cojosi@aol.com.

The Council of Jewish Organizations of Staten Island (COJO)

1297 Arthur Kill Road

ICNA Relief USA

is the only Islamic-faith based agency, actively participating in Disaster Response through Disaster Recovery, based in the United States. Our work, by the grace and blessings of Allah (SWT), is not limited to impacted Muslim Americans and is coordinated with our VOAD (Volunteer Organizations Assisting in Disasters) partners. <http://icnarelief.org/site2/>

ICNA Relief USA staff have expertise in the field of Disaster Case Management. Our youth division has been active in organizing muck out teams. For recovery needs, trained case managers work with disaster survivors identifying goals & objectives, and recovery programs & resources such as: FEMA, CDBG, SSBG, and Long Term Recovery Committee agencies. ICNA Relief Disaster Case Managers stay with their clients until they have reached full recovery.

ICNA Relief is located at 87-91 144th Street, Jamaica, NY 11435. The phone number is (718) 658 7028. <http://icnarelief.org/site2/index.php/programsummary/disasterrelief>

Affiliated with: MuslimsPitchIn.org

The Interfaith Center of New York (ICNY)

seeks to make New York City and the world safe for religious differences by increasing respect and mutual understanding among people of different faith, ethnic, and cultural traditions and by

fostering cooperation among religious communities and civic organizations to solve common social problems. For Sandy related recovery we help coordinate and enhance communication among diverse communities facing the task of rebuilding materially, emotionally and spiritually. For more information please call: 212-870-3510 and contact info@interfaithcenter.org

The Interfaith Center of New York
475 Riverside Drive, Suite 540
New York, NY 10115

<http://interfaithcenter.org/archives/4028>.

Lutheran Disaster Response of New York

is an alliance of Lutheran agencies responding to disaster on the ground, working together, providing aid to those directly affected. Lutheran Social Services of New York | 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1244 | New York, NY 10115 | Phone: 212.870.1100. <http://www.lssny.org/site/hurricane-sandy-relief/>

New York Conference of the United Methodist Church

The New York Annual Conference through the grace of God embodies a beloved community of hope, building up a healthy body of Christ, with heart warmed United Methodists in mission for the transformation of the world.

- 20 Soundview Ave, White Plains, NY
- 888-696-6922 or 914-997-1570
- Long Island – 516-795-1322
- Staten Island – 718-984-1277
- Brooklyn – 347-881-6238
- www.nyac.com

New York Disaster Interfaith Services

NYDIS is a 501(c)(3) faith-based federation of human services providers and charitable organizations who work in partnership to leverage resources and provide disaster readiness, response and recovery services to the most vulnerable communities affected by disaster in New York City.

NYDIS's principle recovery program is the New York City Unmet Needs Roundtable, which brings together donors and case management agencies to financially assist those impacted by a disaster, provide emergency assistance, and ensure victims' long-term recovery in cases when all other means of assistance are no longer available.

- 4 West 43rd Street Suite 407, New York, NY 10036
- 212-669-6100
- www.nydis.org

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance provides funds and dispatches advisors-members of a national Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Team (PDAT) on request of disaster-affected Presbyterian Church (USA) middle-level governing bodies (presbyteries) to help them develop response and recovery

programs. The nature and scope of presbytery programs vary depending on disaster needs. The PDAT advisers identify and empower leaders to assume responsibility for disaster response and recovery operations and provide training and other assistance in development of these operations.

- 100 Witherspoon Street, Louisville, KY 40202
- 800-728-7228
- www.presbyterianmission.org

Queens Congregations United

www.qcua.org/

103-04 39th Ave. #105 | Corona, New York 11368 |
joseph@qcua.org | 718-440-2992

A coalition of over 40 congregations active in advocacy for the underserved in the Rockaways, has also issued a report assessing post-Sandy need.

<http://www.nyf.org/newsmakers/2013/01/23/queens-congregations-united-action-working-those-affected-hurricane-sandy-get->

<http://www.qcuarockaways.tumblr.com/>

Salvation Army - Greater NY

The Salvation Army is an international, faith-based charitable organization with a simple mission: to help those in need without discrimination.

- 120 West 14th Street New York, NY
- 212-337-7200
- www.salvationarmy-newyork.org

UJA-Federation of New York

UJA-Federation cares for those in need, rescues those in harm's way, and renews and strengthens the

Jewish people in New York, in Israel, and around the world.

- 130 East 59th Street, New York, NY 10022
- 212-980-1000
- www.ujafedny.org

United Sikhs

Recognize Human Race as One

- POB 7203, New York, NY 10116, USA
- 646-688-3525 or toll-free 1-888-243-1690
- www.unitedsikhs.org

World Vision New York

World Vision is a Christian humanitarian organization dedicated to working with children, families and their communities worldwide to reach their full potential by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice. Motivated by our faith in Jesus Christ, we serve alongside the poor and oppressed as a

demonstration of God's unconditional love for all people. World Vision serves all people, regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, or gender.

- 885 East 138th Street, New York, NYO
- www.worldvision.org/uspnewyork
- 718-292-5600 (Bronx office)

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE & HELP FOR HOMEOWNERS

(Also see "Housing and Donations" sections)

FEMA Financial Assistance

There are three ways to apply for assistance (deadline: January 28, 2013):

- Apply Online at DisasterAssistance.gov
- Apply via a smartphone at m.fema.gov
- Apply by Phone:
- Call (800) 621-3362.
- Call TTY (800) 462-7585 for people with speech or hearing disabilities.

The **Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) Locator** allows individuals to search for DRCs nearest to their location. DRC Locator also provides additional information about each DRC, such as hours of operation, services offered, and driving directions to the DRC.

- asd.fema.gov/inter/locator/home.htm

Federal Home Loan Bank of New York

\$1 billion in Disaster Relief Funding available to 340 community based lenders to help rebuild in the states of New York and New Jersey. The funding is available to be used as immediate "gap funding". The \$1 Billion CLP commitment can be used for any residential lending activity for households whose incomes are at or below 115% of the area median income. The funds can be used for Public/Private infrastructure projects, such as roads, utilities, and sewers.

- 212-441-6700
- www.fhlbny.com

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

In the wake of Hurricane Sandy, the Federal Trade Commission offers useful advice and reminds consumers that [scams often follow disasters](#). The nation's consumer protection agency warns people about urgent appeals for charitable donations, and cautions residents in stricken areas about fraudulent home repair offers. <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/microsites/recovery/index.html>.

IRS

The IRS is providing help to the victims of Hurricane Sandy. Special tax relief and assistance is available to taxpayers in the Presidential Disaster Areas. Other locations may be added in coming days based on additional damage assessments by FEMA.

More information here: <http://www.irs.gov/uac/Newsroom/Help-for-Victims-of-Hurricane-Sandy>

Home Affordable Modification Program

Homeowners struggling to stay in their homes may be eligible to apply for the Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP) in order to lower their monthly mortgage payments and make them more affordable. Homeowners should contact their mortgage servicer as soon as possible to begin the HAMP evaluation process. In order to help with the housing crunch, homeowner eligibility has been widened to include:

- Homeowners who are applying for a modification on a home that is not their primary residence, but the property is currently rented or the homeowner intends to rent it.
- Homeowners who previously did not qualify for HAMP because their debt-to-income ratio was 31 percent or lower.
- Homeowners who previously received a HAMP trial period plan, but defaulted in their trial payments.
- Homeowners who previously received a HAMP permanent modification, but defaulted in their payments, therefore losing good standing.
- www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/programs/lower-payments/Pages/hamp.aspx

Home heating oil tank assistance

Homeowners with home heating oil tanks should be aware that their tanks may have been damaged or at risk of leaking as a result of Sandy and may be eligible for assistance with clean-up from the NY Dept of Environmental Conservation:

- 718-482-7376

National Grid

National Grid is offering funding up to \$1,000 for our residential customers that sustained physical damage and lost natural gas service as a result of the hurricane and flooding. To be eligible for this program, the applicant must:

- Be a National Grid residential gas heating customer with an active account; and
- Have a service address within the National Grid gas franchise area in New York City or on Long Island, and
- Be located in a county within an area declared a “State of Emergency”, by New York State and/or the Federal government, and
- Have sustained damage of \$3,000 or greater.
- How to obtain funding: Eligible customers must visit a Hurricane Sandy Relief Center or call 1-877-MY- NGRID (1-877-696-4743) for additional information. Documentation required:
- A recent National Grid gas heating bill.
- Photo ID (a valid driver’s license or government- issued ID).
- Documentation of damage caused by Hurricane Sandy such as estimates or proposals for required repair work and/or invoices for completed repairs.
- A voided, cancelled check.

National Grid will verify that the customer's account is active. This fund is being administered by HeartShare Human Services of NY. Documentation should be sent to HeartShare at Sandy.Relief@heartshare.org or be faxed to 718-422-5961. Validation of income will be made through HeartShare prior to funds being awarded. Checks will be issued within a two-week period through HeartShare following validation of program eligibility by National Grid. This program will be available through March 31, 2013, or as long as Hurricane Sandy Relief funding is available. National Grid reserves the right to change or terminate this program at any time. Any false statements or attempts to deceive National Grid may be subject to legal inquiry and prosecution.

- For more information about this program, please contact: 1-877-MY-NGRID (1-877-696-4743).

Operation Hope

Assists individuals with the short, medium and long term economic and financial challenges following a disaster. Free financial services includes, Disaster Recovery Budget, paying mortgages on destroyed home, home inspections and repair contracts, assistance with Creditors, referrals to Government and private agencies, replacement of documentation, insurance claims assistance and recovery seminars and financial case management.

- 888-388-4673 (HOPE)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

To expand housing options for families displaced by Hurricane Sandy, HUD is allowing local public housing agencies to increase their rent payment standard up to 120 percent of the published "Fair Market Rent" (FMR), thereby giving low-income families more options in finding available housing. For families impacted by Hurricane Sandy, HUD is granting a 90-day moratorium on foreclosures and forbearance on foreclosures of FHA-insured home mortgages.

- hudportal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD

Governor Cuomo's Disaster Homeownership Repair and Rebuilding Fund

This is a grant and does not require repayment. The grant can provide up to an additional \$10,000 for Survivors who have already qualified for FEMA Housing Assistance and received the Max Grant of \$31,900, and the FEMA award did not cover the full cost of making essential repairs. This funding cannot duplicate assistance received from other governmental agencies or insurance. Residents will be automatically referred to this program.

- 855-697-7263

Hotline Information – How to prepare for the next storm; Agency Contacts; Donations; Help repairing homes; Power reconnections; Home evacuations/shelters

Additional Relief for Employers Affected by Hurricane Sandy

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo has declared a State Disaster Emergency for the entire state of New York. As a result of this declaration, Commissioner Thomas H. Mattox postponed certain tax filing and payment deadlines for taxpayers who were directly affected by Hurricane Sandy (see Important Notice N-12-11, Announcement Regarding Hurricane Sandy). The relief provided for in this notice is

in addition to the relief provided for in Important Notice N-12-11 and applies to employers directly affected by Hurricane Sandy (the storm).

Deadlines have been postponed for the period beginning on October 26, 2012, and ending before November 14, 2012, for the following:

- Remittances of income tax withheld by employers required to be made using Form NYS-1, Return of Tax Withheld.
- Remittances of withholding tax or metropolitan commuter transportation mobility tax (MCTMT) required to be made by employers through the PromptTax system.
- All deadlines for performance of the above required acts that fall on or after October 26, 2012, and before November 14, 2012, have been postponed to November 14, 2012.

Employers who were directly affected by the storm and are therefore eligible for this relief include: employers whose records necessary to meet tax filing, payment, or other deadlines are not available due to the storm; employers who have difficulty in meeting tax filing, payment, or other deadlines because of disruptions in the transportation and delivery of documents by mail or private delivery services, or due to disruptions in communications services (for example, telephone, facsimile, or electronic mail), resulting from the storm; and employers whose tax practitioners are unable to complete work to meet tax filing, payment, or other deadlines on behalf of the employer due to the storm.

How to obtain relief

- PromptTax filers who are adversely affected by the storm do not need to apply for a waiver or an extension to obtain this relief for withholding tax or MCTMT.
- Instructions will be made available on our Web site for employers who Web file and pay using Form NYS-1.
- Employers using a paper Form NYS-1 should write Hurricane Sandy on the top center of the front page of any late-filed return. Do not write this information on your envelope.

Relief provided – Returns filed or tax payments made in accordance with these rules will not be subject to any late filing, late payment or underpayment penalties, or interest for the period from October 26, 2012, through November 14, 2012. If any affected employer receives a penalty and/or interest notice from the Tax Department, the employer should call the number on the notice to have the Tax Department abate any interest and/or any late filing or late payment penalties that would otherwise apply during the period from October 26, 2012, to November 14, 2012. No penalty or interest will be abated for an employer who does not have a filing or payment due date (including an extended filing or payment due date) during this period. Abatements of penalties for the remittances of tax covered by this notice that are not made by November 14, 2012, will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

Neighborhood Housing Services of East Flatbush, Inc

http://www.nhsnyc.org/east_flatbush/index.php

NHS was granted \$200,000 to the Canarsie Emergency Repairs Assistance Program, which will provide 50 grants and forgivable loans up to \$10,000 to homeowners for emergency repairs needed for mold removal and remediation; electrical, boiler, and water heater replacement; and

sheet rock installation. In addition, NHS will provide loans for up to \$25,000 to qualified building owners. In partnership with the Canarsie Recovery Coalition, a group formed by Brooklyn Deputy Borough President Sandra Chapman.

Rebuilding Together NYC

<http://rebuildingtogethernyc.org/>

Rebuilding Together NYC is a nonprofit organization for safe and healthy housing that provides repairs and modifications to low-income homes and non-profit facilities. Rebuilding Together NYC is thrilled to have the support of the Brooklyn Recovery Fund and the Brooklyn Community Foundation for rebuilding work in Gerritsen Beach, Brooklyn.

FOOD

New York City Food Resources

New York City:

- Call 311 or go to www.nyc.gov
- Locations where prepared food is available:
www.nyc.gov/html/misc/html/2012/hot_food.html

City Harvest

City Harvest exists to end hunger in communities throughout New York City. We do this through food rescue and distribution, education, and other practical, innovative solutions.

- City Harvest Hurricane Sandy Food Relief Hotline: 646-412-0979
- www.cityharvest.org

New York City Hunger Hotline

Call 866-888-8777

Food Bank For New York City

Food Bank For New York City recognizes 25 years as the city's major hunger relief organization. Working to end food poverty and increase access to affordable, nutritious food for low-income New Yorkers throughout the five boroughs, the Food Bank's initiatives focus on direct services, food sourcing and distribution, education and nutrition, financial empowerment, disaster relief and policy and research.

- FBFNYC: 212-894-8060
- www.foodbanknyc.org/news/food-program-locator

For additional information regarding emergency food assistance throughout the City please call 311 or go to <http://www.nyc.gov/apps/311/homepage.htm>.

New York State Food Resources

Listing for all food pantries within New York State (100+) www.foodpantries.org/st/new_york

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

formerly known as the Food Stamps Program, is a government program that provides supplementary funds with the goal of allowing food insecure families to afford nutritious meals

- SNAP Hotline: 516-805-1642.

Farm 2 Me

www.Farm2.Me

Distributes tens of thousands of hot & healthy meals using innovative online organizing and partnerships in association with iVolunteerNY. Provided and coordinated extensive post-Sandy food service.

contact garry@farm2.me

Honeywell EmPower NY [refrigerators]

NYSERDA/EmPower NY is giving out free refrigerators, drywall and insulation to owners or renters who meet HEAP requirements. If this offer has not yet expired, the contact is Virginia Walsh.

- 917.567.4278
- Virginia.Walsh@honeywell.com

HEALTH AND CRISIS COUNSELING

Disaster Distress Helpline

- The Disaster Distress Helpline offers 24/7/365 disaster crisis counseling and support to anyone, anywhere in the US via a toll-free, multi-lingual hotline (1-800-985-5990) and SMS (text

'TalkWithUs' to 66746; Spanish-speakers can text 'Hablanos' to 66746)

- 24 hours a day 7 days a week direct counseling
- 1-800-985-5990
- Text 'TalkWithUs' to 66746, Spanish speakers can text 'Hablanos' to 66746
- For more information on the Disaster Distress Helpline and disaster distress, coping tips, materials and more, please visit disasterdistress.samhsa.gov/ or contact Joe Samalin, Outreach and Training manager at jsamalin@mhaofnyc.org

Project Hope crisis counseling program

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo today announced that through 'Project Hope,' a Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program, more than 700 counselors have been deployed to communities hit hardest by Hurricane Sandy to provide mental health services to affected New Yorkers. The State Office of Mental Health (OMH) estimates that more than 200,000 individuals in New York City, Long Island and the Lower Hudson Valley will receive outreach, crisis counseling and educational services through the program, which is funded by a \$8.2 million grant from FEMA.

As of December 13, 2012, OMH has hired, trained and deployed 717 crisis counselors to New York City, Long Island and Westchester County. In total, the agency expects to hire and deploy more than 900 counselors for Project Hope.

Project Hope offers confidential, free supportive crisis counseling, education, development of coping skills and linkage to resources for those affected by Hurricane Sandy. Trained crisis counselors meet with individuals at time and location that is convenient for them. Contacting LIFENET, a 24/7 help line, matches callers with their local Project Hope provider agency.”

- LIFENET (Project Hope) phone number is: i-800-LIFENET (1-800-543-3638).

Project Hope Providers are:

Brooklyn:

Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services, Inc.
191 Joralemon St
Brooklyn, NY 12101
(718) 722-6020

Institute for Community Living, Inc.
Stepping Stone Residence
50 Nevins St
Brooklyn, NY 11217
(212) 385-3030

OHEL Children’s Home and Family Services
4510 16th St.
Brooklyn, NY 11204
(347) 686-3268

Lutheran Family Health Services
6025 6th Ave.
New York, NY 11220
(718) 630-7171

Manhattan

Counseling in Schools
505 Eighth Ave. Suite 12A-06
New York, NY 10018
(212) 663-3036

Federation Employment and Guidance Service (FECS), Inc.
315 Hudson St. 9th Fl.
New York, NY 10025
(212) 524-1702

Hamilton - Madison House
253 South St. 3rd Fl.
New York, NY 10002
(212) 349-3724

Henry Street Settlement
265 Henry St.
New York, NY 10002
(212) 766-9200

Jewish Board of Family and Children's
Services, Inc.
135 W 50th St. 6th Fl.
New York, NY 10020
(212) 632-4507

Partnership with Children
299 Broadway Suite 1300
New York, NY 10007
(212) 689-9500

University Settlement
184 Eldridge St.
New York, NY 10002
(212) 228-0918

Visiting Nurses Service of New York
1250 Broadway 22nd Fl.
New York, NY 10001
(212) 609-7770

Queens

New Horizon Counseling Center
108-19 Rockaway Blvd.
Ozone Park, NY 11420
(718) 327-7163

St. John's Episcopal Hospital
521 Beach 20th St.
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
(718) 869-8822

Transitional Services for NY
90-27 Sutphin Blvd. 5th Fl.
Jamaica, NY 11435
(718) 746-6647

Staten Island

Project Hospitality
100 Park Ave.
Staten Island, NY 10302
(718) 448-1544

Federal: National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

- 800-273-8255

U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)

Telephone: 800-321-OSHA (6742)

OSHA urges workers and members of the public engaged in cleanup and recovery activities to be aware of the hazards they might encounter and the necessary steps they should take to protect themselves. OSHA has created a [fact sheet](#)* for keeping workers safe during Hurricane Sandy cleanup and recovery. It provides details on possible hazards and protective measures. Common hazards include downed electrical wires, carbon monoxide and electrical hazards from portable generators, fall and "struck-by" hazards from tree trimming or working at heights, being caught in unprotected excavations or confined spaces, burns, lacerations, musculoskeletal injuries, being struck by traffic or heavy equipment, and encountering contaminated water during flood cleanup.

Protective measures involve evaluating the work area for all hazards; assuming all power lines are live; following safe practices when doing tree work; using fall protection and proper ladder safety when working at heights; task specific exposure monitoring; and utilizing proper precautions for traffic work zones.

Although hazard avoidance is preferred, some situations may expose workers to hazards which can only be mitigated by personal protective equipment (PPE). OSHA's [Hurricane Sandy Cleanup PPE Matrix](#)* assists employers in determining the appropriate PPE for specific tasks.

<http://www.osha.gov/sandy/index.html>

New York State:

NYS Department of Labor: for asbestos abatement and demolition concerns only, call the Division of Safety and Health at (518) 457-2072. And see:

<http://www.labor.ny.gov/ui/2012-sandy-services.shtm>

New York City:

Mobile medical van locations

Mobile medical vans staffed with primary care providers who will be able to provide medical care and distribute commonly prescribed drugs are now available at several locations in the Rockaways, Brooklyn, and Staten Island. Van operate 9AM to 5PM Monday through Friday .

- Call 3-1-1 for current locations
- www.nyc.gov/html/misc/html/2012/medical_vans.html

Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)

http://www.nyc.gov/html/dep/html/news/hurricane_sandy_info.shtml

HIV/AIDS

HASA Housing Services

The Human Resource Administration's HIV & AIDS Service Administration (HASA) provides emergency, transitional, permanent housing assistance, and rental assistance services to individuals and families with AIDS.

- www.nyc.gov/html/hra/html/medical_insurance/hasa.shtml

Warming centers

- www.nyc.gov/html/misc/html/2012/warming_ctr.html

NONPROFIT/COMMUNITY RESOURCES:

The [New York State Health Foundation](#) and The [New York Community Trust](#) convened an initial exploratory meeting in December of funders interested in addressing the mid- and long-term needs of the health care delivery system (and related extra needs) in storm-affected areas as well as disaster preparedness. The New York State Health Foundation is planning on bringing together those and additional funders to discuss next steps in early 2013. More details to come. For more information, contact Sharae Brown, National Urban Fellow, New York State Health Foundation, Brown@NYSHealth.org.

Disaster Chaplaincy Services

Disaster Chaplaincy Services is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit, nonsectarian organization whose purpose is to assure skilled and appropriate interdisciplinary spiritual care for all people affected by disasters in the New York tri-state area. We do this by recruiting, screening, orienting, training, educating, deploying and supervising chaplains on behalf of the religious communities of the tri-state region.

- PO Box 7373, New York, NY 10116
- 24 hour hotline 646-210-9321
- www.disasterchaplaincy.org

Healthcare Chaplaincy

HealthCare Chaplaincy in New York is the leading multifaith organization for the integration of spiritual care within health care and palliative care through research, professional education and clinical practice. It provides professional chaplaincy services—one of the most cost-effective resources to increase patient, family, and staff satisfaction—in major metro New York hospitals and long-term care facilities.

307 East 60th Street
New York, NY 10022-1505
Phone: 212.644.1111

<http://www.healthcarechaplaincy.org/>

New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health (NYCOSH)

New York City
61 Broadway - Suite 1710
NY, NY 10006
212-227-6440
(Fax) 212-227-9854

NYCOSH is a membership organization of workers, unions, community-based organizations, health and legal professionals, and other activists. The mission of NYCOSH is to extend and defend every person's human right to a safe and healthful work environment. NYCOSH is active to inform and protect workers after disasters. Immigrant workers are especially at risk and require legal support along with organizing and education initiatives. See: <http://nycosh.org/index.php?page=hurricane-sandy>

Other useful publications shared by NYCOSH:

[http://nycosh.org/uploads/Emergency%20Response/Sandy%20Fact%20Sheet%20\(5\).pdf](http://nycosh.org/uploads/Emergency%20Response/Sandy%20Fact%20Sheet%20(5).pdf)

http://nycosh.org/uploads/Sandy_Federal_HASP.pdf

Afyafoundation and Sandy Doctors Recovery

<http://www.afyafoundation.org/news-reader/items/sandy-doctors-recovery-project-launched-to-help-rebuild-medical-care-in-brighton-beach-for-russian-american-community-devastated.html>

See: www.Afyafoundation.org

Southern Brooklyn plays host to a very large community of immigrants from the former Soviet Union who rely almost exclusively on the Russian-speaking physicians who practice in the area. Since the devastating effects of Hurricane Sandy, this 200,000- strong population, of which many are elderly and disabled, has struggled with reduced access to medical providers.

Both the Afya Foundation and Global Links specialize in medical surplus recovery, matching the needs of those in resource-poor countries or disaster recovery areas with surplus medical equipment, supplies and furnishings from US healthcare facilities. The Aidmatrix Foundation (www.aidmatrix.org), a 501c3 nonprofit, delivers the technology and programs used by FEMA and the American Logistics Aid Network (ALAN) to coordinate in-kind donations through the National Donations Management

Having gained momentum over the last month, the Sandy Doctors Recovery Project (www.sandydoctorsrecovery.org) aims to restore these physicians' vital services by providing much needed materials including examination tables, blood pressure units and physical therapy equipment to the medical practitioners who experienced extensive water damage and were forced to close their practices temporarily.

New York State Dental (ADA)

Disaster Assistance Grants: Grants may be available to dentists who have lost property in a declared disaster, and to organizations that can provide emergency dental care in areas affected by a disaster. These grants are designed to address longer term needs - after all insurance claims have

been resolved - subject to a showing of financial need after insurance. The ADA Foundation's Disaster Assistance Grants are distributed based on the availability of funds. See:

http://www.nysdental.org/alert_detail.cfm?ID=251

Emergency Disaster Assistance Grants: The deadline has passed for these grants of up to \$1,000 for immediate emergency resources such as food, water, clothing and shelter designed to aid dentists affected by Hurricane Sandy. Grants of up to \$5,000 are available to address longer term needs - after all insurance claims have been resolved - subject to a showing of financial need after insurance. These grants may be available to dentists who have lost property in a declared disaster, and to organizations that can provide emergency dental care in areas affected by Hurricane Sandy. The deadline to submit these applications is generally 60 days after the declared disaster. However, for dentists affected by Hurricane Sandy, additional resources may be available on the [ADA's Hurricane Sandy information page](#).

If you have questions or need additional information about the ADA Foundation Disaster Assistance Grant Program, contact Cristina Garcia at 312.440.2763 or call the ADA Foundation's main line at 312.440.2547.

See: <http://www.ada.org/applyforassistance.aspx#grants>

The **New York State Dental Foundation** will be administering its own Disaster Assistance grants to dentists in need. For more information, please go to: <http://www.nysdentalfoundation.org/disaster-relief.html>

Bank of America Practice Solutions

http://www.bankofamerica.com/small_business/practicesolutions/index.cfm

Existing Practice Solutions Customers, affected by severe storms and floods, that are in of need assistance to get their dental practices up and running or need additional assistance with existing loans should call Bank of America Practice Solutions at 800-491-3622 learn more about what opportunities exist.

Customers with new loan requests can call Bank of America Practice Solutions at 800-428-2847 to discuss their needs and review loan options available to them.

Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services

Provides a comprehensive network of mental health and social services for individuals and families at every stage of life. Provide mental health and budget counseling. Monday through Friday 9am to 5 pm Must have appointment.

- 135 West 50th St, New York, NY 10020
- 212-582-9100 or toll-free 1-888-523-2769
- www.jbfcs.org

Visiting Nurse Services of NY

- VNSNY Relief Fund
- Medical, Nursing Care

- 107 E. 70th St. 5th Floor
- Madison Ave NY 10021
- Judy Santamaria, Director of Caregiver Support 800-675-0391
- <http://www.vnsny.org/why-vnsny/vnsnydifference/the-aftermath-of-hurricane-sandyvnsny's-mission-at-work/>

Direct Relief

<http://www.directrelief.org/emergency/hurricane-sandy-relief-and-recovery>

Direct Relief is providing medicines, medical supplies, and personal care items to health facilities and organizations that serve people affected by the storm. Direct Relief, the only U.S. nonprofit organization licensed to distribute prescription medications in all 50 states, has been supporting health providers in Haiti since 1964 and in New York and New Jersey since 2007.

Direct Relief has also joined with the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) and established a special fund to support the patients of nonprofit health centers and clinics in areas affected by Hurricane Sandy (amounts contributed this fund are included in the numbers in Section 1 above) To date, \$250,000 has been granted to The Joseph P. Addabbo Family Health Center network of clinics in New York, New York, to support three clinics in Red Hook and the Rockaways. As the needs become clearer and with input from NACHC and the State Primary Care Associations, further grants to nonprofit clinics and health centers are planned in the first quarter of 2013. See:

As the wide-ranging effects of Hurricane Sandy continue to be assessed, Direct Relief has committed \$1 million in cash and its entire \$25 million stockpile of available medical inventories to support relief and recovery efforts in communities affected by the superstorm. For more information please visit the website or call: (805) 964-4767 | (800) 676-1638.

HOUSING

Federal Assistance: FEMA housing resources

The Federal Emergency Management Agency and our federal partners are working closely with the state to address the housing needs of New Yorkers displaced by Hurricane Sandy. Our priority is to help survivors move out of hotel rooms and into apartments or their safe, repaired homes. FEMA has identified rentals in the area damaged by Hurricane Sandy and is working to match survivors to that available housing. A goal is to place survivors in rentals within their neighborhoods, or as close as possible to those areas. This not only is better for survivors, it helps neighborhood businesses.

Our goal is to maximize the number of people who are able to move back into their own homes; and for them to get home as quickly as possible. There are several programs in place to help ease this housing crunch in a place where there is always a housing crunch.

Rental Assistance

Renters with a need for housing because of storm damage to their dwelling may be eligible for a FEMA temporary rental grant. This assistance may be provided while renters are working to accomplish a permanent housing plan.

Returning to a permanent home is a significant milestone on the road to recovery. FEMA rental assistance may last for up to 18 months from the date of declaration. So it's important for survivors to have a permanent housing plan.

FEMA has a Housing Portal at asd.fema.gov/inter/hportal/home.htm to help families find rental units. In addition to apartments or homes normally available, the portal identifies units provided by our federal partners.

To be eligible for possible rental assistance, survivors must first register with FEMA. There are many ways to register.

Individuals can register online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or via smartphone or tablet by using the FEMA app or going to m.fema.gov. People may also call 800-621-3362 or (TTY) 800-462-7585. Those who use 711-Relay or Video Relay Services (VRS) can call 800-621-3362. The toll-free telephone numbers operate 24 hours a day seven days a week until further notice.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, led by Secretary Shaun Donovan, is also playing an active role in providing temporary housing to storm-displaced families. HUD has identified thousands of available units in HUD-assisted housing and is getting that information to displaced individuals, primarily at Disaster Recovery Centers.

The Department has also increased fair market rental allowances to make it easier for displaced Section 8 voucher recipients to find replacement housing, and is allowing owners of HUD- funded senior developments the flexibility to open up vacant units to storm evacuees.

Secretary Donovan was also instrumental in bringing together New York City and State government officials and real estate trade groups in the aftermath of the storm to find housing for New York displaced families. This has led to a government and private sector partnership that gives displaced families greater options in finding vacant apartments that are affordable and safe.

For more information on New York's disaster recovery, visit www.fema.gov/SandyNY, www.twitter.com/FEMASandy, www.facebook.com/FEMASandy and www.fema.gov/blog.

New Yorkers with property to rent to storm survivors

DHOPS Team at fema-ia-dhops@fema.gov

Fannie Mae

(<http://www.fanniemae.com>) is a government-sponsored enterprise (GSE) chartered by Congress with a mission to provide liquidity, stability and affordability to the U.S. housing and mortgage markets.

Fannie Mae is working directly with mortgage servicers to offer special options for those impacted by Hurricane Sandy (or other natural disasters). Eligible homeowners with a Fannie Mae loan who are experiencing difficulty paying their mortgage may qualify for a:

Forbearance that can suspend or reduce your mortgage payments for up to 12 months if you live in a FEMA declared disaster area.

Suspension of legal actions in process (i.e., foreclosures) in federally designated disaster areas.

Download this document for Hurricane Sandy Mortgage Relief information at:

<http://knowyouroptions.com/relief>

New York City: Rental assistance

Rental assistance to help pay rent arrears is available from the NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA).

- www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/atrisk/behindrent.shtml

Sheltering and Temporary Essential Power (STEP) program

Enables families to remain in, or return to, their homes, as a form of shelter while permanent repairs are completed.

NYC Rapid Repairs

NYC Rapid Repairs is a FREE program to help residential property owners affected by Hurricane Sandy make emergency repairs. These emergency repairs will allow residents to stay in their homes so that they can complete more permanent repairs and finishes. Emergency repairs include permanent or temporary restoration of heat, power and hot water, and other limited repairs to protect a home from further significant damage. A homeowner must first register for NYC Rapid Repairs. The City will then schedule an appointment for a qualified NYC Rapid Repairs Team to make certain repairs for all eligible homeowners. See: NYC Rapid Repair call 311 or www.nyc.gov/html/misc/html/2012/rapid_repairs.html

Department for the Aging

The NYC Department for the Aging (DFTA) provides a comprehensive online listing of senior housing operating within the five boroughs. The information can be viewed by borough or by entering a zip code for the desired area: <https://a069-webapps12.nyc.gov/egovt/housing/index.cfm>.

Senior Housing Resource Guide

In addition to providing information about types of senior housing, this comprehensive Guide is a good resource for people of any age who want to find subsidized housing through lotteries. The Guide also lists city, state and federal websites, addresses and phone numbers; describes housing benefits, rights and protections; lists sources of financial/legal assistance and contact information for non-profits providing housing assistance; and provides information about housing courts in the five boroughs.

- www.nyc.gov/html/dfta/downloads/pdf/benefits/Housing_Guide_11.pdf

Empire State Relief Fund

<http://www.empirestaterelief.com/>

Some New Yorkers will receive a measure of assistance from private insurance, FEMA, and other government funding sources. However, in many cases, New Yorkers will face a substantial gap between the cost of repair or replacement of their home and the funds available to them to cover this cost. The Empire State Relief Fund will focus on long-term residential housing assistance to help fill the funding gap and ensure that New Yorkers can continue to call New York home. Please contact us at contribute@empirestaterelief.com if you are interested.

HomeBase Homeless Prevention Program

HomeBase is Citywide program designed to help families and individuals overcome immediate housing problems that could result in becoming homeless, and to develop a plan for long-term housing stability. Program services are crafted to meet the unique needs of each individual or family and to help meet the demands of maintaining a household.

- www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/atrisk/homebase.shtml

Neighborhood Housing Services of New York City, Inc. (NHSNYC)

If you need emergency loan assistance, NHSNYC provides emergency home repair loans. Please phone 212-519-2500 or contact one of our offices for more information:

Manhattan

Neighborhood Housing Services of New York City, Inc.: 212-519-2500
NHSNYC NeighborWorks Homeownership Center: 718-230-7610

Brooklyn

Neighborhood Housing Services of Bedford-Stuyvesant, Inc.: 718-919-2100
Neighborhood Housing Services of East Flatbush, Inc.: 718-469-4679

The Bronx

Neighborhood Housing Services of the North Bronx, Inc.: 718-881-1180
Neighborhood Housing Services of the South Bronx, Inc.: 718-992-5979

Queens

Neighborhood Housing Services of the Northern Queens, Inc.: 718-457-1017

NYC Buildings Dept

Fees Waived for Hurricane Sandy Repair Work — In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, Mayor Bloomberg has signed an emergency order waiving all Department of Buildings application and permit fees for repair work to buildings damaged by Hurricane Sandy. Information for property owners and licensed professionals:

- www.nyc.gov/html/dob/html/news/storm_update.shtml

NYC Department of Homeless Services

Operates emergency housing, shelters, hotels, SOR (Single Occupancy Residence)

- www.dhs.nyc.gov
- Call 3-1-1

Department of Homeless Services Intake Centers

If you are in need of immediate emergency housing, you should go to a family or single adult shelter intake center.

Families

The Path Office is the intake center for families in need of emergency housing. The Path office is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week:

Prevention Assistance and Temporary Housing (Path) Office
346 Powers Avenue
Bronx, NY 10454

Adult Families with No Children Under 21

Adult families with no children under 21 should go to the Adult Family Intake Center (AFIC) – www.nyc.gov/html/dhs/html/homeless/famserv.shtml#afic – located in Manhattan. AFIC is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Adult Family Intake Center (AFIC)
29th Street and 1st Avenue
Manhattan, NY 10016

Single Adult Women

There are three intake centers for single adult women in need of emergency housing:

Brooklyn Women's Shelter

116 Williams Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11217

Franklin Shelter

1122 Franklin Avenue
Bronx, NY 10456

Jamaica Armory (Women)

93-05 168th Street
Jamaica, NY 11434

Single Adult Men

There is one intake center for single adult men in need of emergency housing:

30th Street Intake
400-430 East 30th Street (near 1st Avenue) New York, NY 10016

NYC Housing Recovery

You can get assistance with locating rental apartments if the hurricane displaced you from your home. The rental apartments are:

- in privately owned and managed rental buildings
- for short or long-term lease

- located in all five boroughs
- market-rate or income restricted

The terms of the lease and type of housing will depend on your household's specific needs. The supply of this housing is limited, and the majority of housing is located in the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Manhattan. You should register with FEMA before registering for the NYC Housing Recovery program.

<http://www.nyc.gov/apps/311/allServices.htm?requestType=topService&serviceName=NYC+Housing+Recovery>

NYC Housing Recovery Portal

As a result of Hurricane Sandy, many New Yorkers across the City are unable to stay in or return to their homes. This has created a demand for immediate, short-term and long-term housing in a real estate market that is very tight and has extremely low vacancy rates. NYC Housing Recovery Portal helps impacted New Yorkers learn about housing options and provides guidance on how to pursue them on their own or with help from the City.

- www.nyc.gov/html/misc/html/2012/housing-recovery.html

NYC Restore (Restoration Centers)

Helps New Yorkers in the areas most affected by Hurricane Sandy get access to important information and services to help them recover.

NYC Restoration Centers provide the following types of assistance:

- Food and Nutrition Assistance
- Temporary Housing Information
- Health and Medical Benefits
- Business Restoration
- Counseling Services
- Financial Assistance
- Personal Records and Information

www.nyc.gov/html/misc/html/2012/dasc.html

Nonprofits/Private Sector: Partnership for the Homeless

We've placed a special focus on populations for whom homelessness is on the rise or assistance is underrepresented, developing models of practice that address each of their unique needs.

- Families and Children – now comprising the largest segment of New York City's homeless population.
- Older Adults – one of the fastest growing and most marginalized homeless constituencies in New York City.
- Chronically Ill – especially homeless individuals coping with or at-risk of HIV/AIDS who are often disconnected from health care.

305 Seventh Avenue, 13th Floor
New York, New York 10001

Phone: 212-645-3444
Fax: 212-477-4663
E-mail: info@pftth.org
partnershipforthehomeless.org/

Common Ground

Our mission is to strengthen individuals, families, and communities by developing and sustaining exceptional supportive and affordable housing as well as programs for homeless and other vulnerable New Yorkers.

- www.commonground.org

New York Mortgage Coalition

To create and protect affordable home ownership in the New York Metro area. Counseling to assist with affordable housing, insurance issues.

- 50 Broad St Suite 1125, New York, NY 10003
- 212-742-0762
- www.nymc.org

Deutsche Bank

Gary Hattem is working with the NYC Department of Housing Preservation & Development in the development of a funding collaborative to address longer-term housing and neighborhood-focused rebuilding challenges in the wake of Hurricane Sandy. For more information on the NYC Housing & Neighborhood Recovery Donors Collaborative at the Mayor's Fund to Advance NYC, contact Carly McCoy, Administrative/Project Assistant to Gary Hattem, Deutsche Bank Americas Foundation, carly.mccoy@db.com.

Urban Homesteading Assistance Board

works to help UHAB prioritize repairs and allocate funding for more than a dozen flood-damaged buildings in the East Village that house more than 200 families in need. The organization helps low-income New Yorkers gain the opportunity for home ownership through various state and city programs. UHAB | Urban Homesteading Assistance Board

is located at 120 Wall Street 20th Floor, New York, NY 10005. Telephone: (212) 479-3300 and www.uhab.org

IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY NEEDS

Mayor's Office/Immigration Affairs

The Mayor's Office Immigration Affairs "Guide to Disaster Assistance for Immigrants" is now available on their web page at <http://www.nyc.gov/html/imm/html/sandy/sandy.shtml>.

Community-based organizations and faith-based groups in the impacted areas are reaching out to immigrant residents in need. MOIA met with the Tzu Chi Foundation to encourage use of the

Emergency Food Stamp criteria as a model for the foundation's giving in impacted immigrant communities.

New York Immigration Coalition Referral Service

The New York Immigration Coalition (NYIC) is an umbrella policy and advocacy organization for more than 200 groups in New York State that work with immigrants and refugees. The NYIC promotes immigrants' full civic participation, fosters their leadership, and provides a unified voice and a vehicle for collective action for New York's diverse immigrant communities. Immigrants facing lack of access to services, or with legal or other needs, may call to receive access to training and to find legal assistance:

- 137-139 W. 25th Street, 12th floor, New York, NY
- 212-627-2227
- www.thenyic.org

Coalition for Hispanic Family Services works to provide emergency food, supplies and expanded services to Latino children and families living in poverty who were impacted by Hurricane Sandy. The Coalition serves the North Brooklyn communities of Bushwick, Williamsburg and East New York and the Queens communities of Ridgewood, Elmhurst and Corona. They can be contacted at: Tel: (718) 497-6090 and reached at the email: info@hispanicfamilyservicesny.org.
<http://www.hispanicfamilyservicesny.org>

Coalition Against Anti-Asian Violence (CAAHV) has been working to identify unmet needs and assist with the application for public benefits for over 300 community members who have contacted them since Sandy. CAAHV works to build grassroots community power across diverse poor and working class Asian immigrant and refugee communities in New York City. Through an organizing model constituted by five core elements- base-building, leadership development, campaigns, alliances, and organizational development- CAAHV organizes communities to fight for institutional change and participates in a broader movement towards racial, gender, and economic justice.
<http://caaav.org/> 46 Hester Street, New York, NY 10002 tel: (212) 473-6485 or email: justice[at]caaav.org.

Edith and Carl Marks Jewish Community House of Bensonhurst works to help immigrant families purchase furniture, household supplies and other essential items and help families make emergency home repairs. In addition, the funds will help with moving costs, security deposits, first month/last month rent to help families transition to more stable housing. 7802 Bay Parkway, Brooklyn, NY 11214. (718)331-6800.
<http://www.jchb.org/news/hurricane-sandy-relief-efforts/>

El Centro de Hospitalidad, Inc works with families to secure new housing, and as needed, provide grants to these families for security deposits and other initial costs to help re-settle approximately 25 families. A second grant secures a hiring center and will provide worker training and advocacy services for the Staten Island community. (Also see Project Hospitality, a member of the Staten Island Community and Interfaith Long Term disaster Recovery Organization (SICILTDR0)

Jewish Community Relations Council: JCRC-CAUSE NY

JCRC's CAUSE-NY works with grassroots coalitions of neighborhood Jewish community organizations and other ethnic, civic and religious groups throughout the eight-county metropolitan area. The collaborations focus on such issues as: the provision of health care to all groups in a community in a culturally appropriate manner; issues of aging populations and neighborhood transitions; special outreach assistance programs for recent immigrants; and integration emigres into communities. See: <http://jcrncy.org/what-we-do/intergroup-cause-ny.html>

CAUSE NY disaster preparedness and recovery: <http://securityblog.jcrncy.org/>

Russian Health Coalition: <http://www.russianamericanfoundation.org/rahc.php>

Make the Road New York trains and places hundreds of individuals for jobs in Sandy-related cleanup in New York and Long Island. In addition, funding will cover legal representation for 400 Sandy-impacted families who need legal assistance due to the storm. Make the Road New York has partnered with Queens College (CUNY) to provide occupational health/safety training and personal protective equipment to day laborers working in clean-up and reconstruction following Hurricane Sandy. A Robin Hood Foundation grant will fund the purchase of protective equipment including respirators, gloves, hard hats, boots, goggles, bodysuits, and will support the salary of a full-time trainer and part-time assistant who will train and distribute equipment to 500 day laborers over a 9-month period. 301 Grove St Brooklyn, NY 11237, (718) 418-7690 www.maketheroad.org

Make the Road has also issued a 2013 report on Unmet Needs after the disaster:

http://www.maketheroadny.org/pix_reports/MRNY_Unmet_Needs_Superstorm_Sandy_and_Immigrant_Communities_121812_fin.pdf

Mexican Cultural Institute of New York will provide up to \$2,500 in aid to 50 Mexican immigrant families (many of whom are undocumented) in Staten Island, Brooklyn, Queens, Long Island and New Jersey. Address: 27 East 39th Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10016, Tel. 212.217.6478 www.lavitrina.com/

National Day Laborer Organizing Network works to provide safety training, equipment and outreach to employers via the Workers Justice Project (Brooklyn & Queens), New Immigrant Community Empowerment (Queens) and Wind of the Spirit (New Jersey). NDLO is a national network of day laborer centers. 202) 332-2871 and www.ndlon.org/

New York Legal Assistance Group supports outreach efforts to educate immigrants on their legal rights regarding landlord/tenant issues. See: <http://nylag.org/units/storm-response-unit/>

Thrive

NYCEDC's Competition THRIVE seeks to develop innovative strategies and programs that help immigrant entrepreneurs succeed in business.

<http://www.nycedc.com/program/competition-thrive>

Project Hospitality works to provide additional hot meals (including for Thanksgiving) and support services to residents of Staten Island that were disparately impacted by the storm, to hire and furnish staff to provide an array of disaster-related services.

INSURANCE ISSUES

see also "legal"

The New York State Insurance Department

opened Hurricane/Superstorm Sandy information hotline (8 am to 8 pm) at 1-800 339 1759 to answer insurance-related storm questions and help consumers file complaints or visit www.ins.state.ny.us for more information.

NY State Department of Financial Services

Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the Department of Financial Services disaster have established a hotline to help New Yorkers with insurance issues from Superstorm Sandy. The hotline is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 1-800-339-1759

New York Department of Financial Services

Storm Hotline: 800-339-1759

The New York Department of Financial Services can help with banking and insurance problems via the DFS Disaster Hotline. Homeowners unable to resolve disputes with insurers can file a complaint with the Department. <http://www.nyinsure.ny.gov/>

Call the DFS Disaster Hotline 24/7 with banking and insurance problems 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. on weekdays and 10 a.m.- 5 p.m. on weekends. 1-800-339-1759

United Policyholders

A national non-profit that has been helping disaster survivors navigate insurance issues on the road to recovery since 1991. The organization offers free tips, sample letters, and an "Ask an Expert" forum online at uphelp.org/Sandy. UP's Executive Director is a native New Yorker and former insurance analyst with the New York State Consumer Protection Board. UP does not accept funding from insurance companies.

Federal Government Assistance

SBA loans cover uninsured and under-insured physical damage. If you are required to apply insurance proceeds to an outstanding mortgage on the damaged property, you can include that amount in your disaster loan application. SBA now offers you the option of filing your business disaster loan application electronically. Downloadable application forms are available at:

<http://www.sba.gov/content/disaster-loan-paper-applications>

For additional information, call 1-800-659-2955 (TTY: 1-800-877-8339) or e-mail disastercustomerservice@sba.gov

Proper Use of Physical Disaster Loan Proceeds

Physical Disaster Loan proceeds may be used for the repair or replacement of the following:

- Real property
- Machinery
- Equipment
- Fixtures
- Inventory
- Leasehold improvements

In addition, disaster loans to repair or property may be increased by as much as 20 percent of the total amount of disaster damage to property to pay for improvements to protect the damaged property against possible future disasters of the same type. Is Disaster Help Available If I Have Insurance? Possibly. File a claim with your insurance agent as soon as possible. Failure to do so may affect your eligibility for assistance. After filing a claim, if any of the following situations occur FEMA may be able to provide some assistance:

- Your insurance settlement is delayed. Delayed means a decision on your insurance settlement has been delayed longer than 30-days from the time you filed the claim. If a decision on your insurance settlement has been delayed, you will need to write a letter to FEMA explaining the circumstance. You should include documentation from the insurance company proving that you filed the claim. If you filed your claim over the telephone, you should include the claim number, date when you applied, and the estimated time of how long it will take to receive your settlement. Any help awarded to you by FEMA would be considered an advance and must be repaid to FEMA once an insurance settlement is received.
- Your insurance settlement is insufficient to meet your disaster-related needs. If you have received the maximum settlement from your insurance and still have an unmet disaster-related need, you will need to write a letter to FEMA indicating the unmet disaster-related need. You will also need to send in documentation from your insurance company for review.
- You have exhausted the Additional Living Expenses (ALE) provided by your insurance company. If you have received the maximum settlement from your insurance for Additional Living Expenses (Loss of Use) and still need help with your disaster-related temporary housing need, write a letter to FEMA indicating why you continue to have a temporary housing need. You will also need to provide documentation to prove use of ALE from insurance, and a permanent housing plan.
- You are unable to locate rental resources in your area. The FEMA Helpline has a list of rental resources in the disaster area. If no resources are available in your county, then the Helpline agent can provide you with resources in an adjacent county. You have up to twelve (12) months from the date you registered with FEMA to submit your insurance information for review. By law, FEMA cannot provide money to individuals or households for losses that are covered by insurance.

JOBS AND UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE

Community Service Society

The mission of the Community Service Society is to identify problems which create a permanent poverty class in New York City, and to advocate the systemic changes required to eliminate such problems. CSS will focus on enabling, empowering and promoting opportunities for poor families and individuals to develop their full potential, to contribute to society, and to realize social, economic and political opportunities.

- 105 E 22nd Street, #401, New York, NY 10010
- 212-254-8900
- www.cssny.org

Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA)

- 877-358-5306 in NY State, operates 7:30-11
- 877-358-5306 outside NY State, operates 7:30-11

Hurricane Sandy Cleanup Jobs

www.nyc.gov/apps/311/allServices.htm?requestType=topService&serviceName=Hurricane+Sandy+Cleanup+Jobs

Good Jobs New York

With a high volume of media coverage in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, Good Jobs New York is keeping the spotlight on how government money is proposed to be spent in the rebuilding process. For more information on transparency and opportunities for community involvement, follow us on Twitter @GoodJobsNewYork #EyeOnSandyMoney. Also, let us know how we can adjust this alert to make it better.

http://goodjobsny.org/sites/default/files/docs/week_of_jan_24-31.pdf

Advocacy News

List your upcoming event here! Email elizabeth@goodjobsfirst.org

LEGAL AND MEDIATION SERVICES

Legal Services

In federally declared disaster zones, FEMA provides free legal assistance to disaster victims. These services are provided to low-income individuals who, prior to or because of the disaster, are unable to secure legal services adequate to meet their needs as a consequence of a major disaster. The available assistance typically includes:

- help with insurance claims (life, medical, property, etc.);
- counseling on landlord/tenant problems;
- help with consumer protection matters, remedies, and procedures; and
- replacement of wills and other important legal documents destroyed in a major disaster

To receive more information and assistance call the NY Hurricane Sandy hotline number at: 1-800-699-5636. You may also be able to obtain free, storm-related legal services from the following legal service providers:

Charity Corps

is extending to February 1, 2013, the deadline for nonprofits to apply for free legal assistance from volunteer lawyers. Charity Corps, a joint initiative between the Attorney General's Office and the New York State Bar Association, matches volunteer attorneys with nonprofits that need legal counsel on matters involving corporate law, governance and compliance matters.

Charity Corps lawyers are available to assist nonprofits in maintaining tax exempt status; complying with fundraising regulations; understanding the limitations and restrictions on political activities; implementing proper procedures for executive compensation; complying with legal requirements of IRS Form 990 and NYS Form CHAR 500; and addressing other nonprofit corporate law, governance and compliance issues.

To be eligible, an organization must have 501(c)(3) tax status, have an operating budget of less than \$1 million and demonstrate that it cannot afford counsel. Nonprofits and volunteer attorneys can get application forms and additional information about Charity Corps by visiting the [Charity Corps webpage](#). Visit www.charitiesnys.com for additional information and guidance for nonprofits.

Disaster Legal Services (DLS)

800-699-5636, operates M-F, 9-5. Provide name and number of donated legal services.

Legal Aid Society

The Legal Aid Society is the nation's oldest and largest provider of legal services to the indigent. Founded in 1876, the Society provides a full range of civil legal services as well as criminal defense work, and juvenile rights representation in Family Court. Our core service is to provide free legal assistance to New Yorkers who live at or below the poverty level and cannot afford to hire a lawyer when confronted with a legal problem. The Legal Aid Society has a disaster relief program which provides services in Far Rockaway, Coney Island, Staten Island, Red Hook, and at Shelters. Legal Aid staff assist with FEMA and Disaster Unemployment Insurance claims; replacing medications and access to health care; obtaining Food Stamps and public assistance; landlord-tenant, public housing, section 8 matters, and homeowner/foreclosure issues; loans and other small businesses matters; school transfers and transportation; and family law and immigration. The Society's Mobile Justice Unit has been deployed to Coney Island and Far Rockaway to bring legal services directly to those communities.

- 199 Water Street, 3rd Floor, New York, NY
- Disaster relief hotline 888 663-6880
- www.legal-aid.org

Legal Services NYC

Legal Services NYC's hotline can provide assistance with FEMA applications, emergency benefits (e.g., emergency food stamp applications), employment issues, housing issues (e.g., wrongful evictions or foreclosure prevention), or civil legal needs, among other common areas of need

- 350 Broadway, 6th Floor, New York, New York
- Citywide Sandy Recovery Hotline 347-592-2411, operates 10-3 M-F
- www.LegalServicesNYC.org

New York Legal Assistance Group

Founded in 1990, the New York Legal Assistance Group provides high quality, free civil legal services to low-income New Yorkers who cannot afford attorneys. Our comprehensive range of services includes direct representation, case consultation, advocacy, community education, training, financial counseling, and impact litigation. In the wake of Sandy, NYLAG has mobilized a legal aid disaster relief program to help victims of the storm deal in New York City and Long Island with a range of issues.

- 7 Hanover Square, New York, NY 10004
- Storm Response Legal Hotline: 212-584-3365
- Email: stormhelp@nylag.org
- www.nylag.org

Touro Law Center –

Hurricane Emergency Assistance and Referral Team (TLC HEART): (631) 761-7198
tlcheart@tourolaw.edu.

TLC HEART can provide referrals, assistance, and legal advice for local residents and small businesses affected by the storm, including assistance in assessing eligibility and completing application forms for the wide range of emergency assistance available to storm victims (e.g., food stamps, government loans and grants) and free legal consultation and advice on storm-related legal issues (e.g., insurance, landlord-tenant, consumer complaints, and unemployment).

Make the Road by Walking

Spanish-speaking legal assistance: (718) 418-7690 (Brooklyn), (718) 565-8500 (Queens), (718) 727-1222 (Staten Island), or (631) 231-2220 (Long Island).

Make the Road by Walking can provide assistance to Spanish-speaking victims, including assistance with shelter and supplies.

Lawyers Alliance for New York

(212) 219-1800

Lawyers Alliance can answer questions regarding relief efforts and emerging legal issues related to the disaster. Lawyers Alliance also has resources for organizations dealing with the impact of the hurricane and operating a disaster relief program.

Pro Bono Partnership

(973) 240-6955 or information@probonopartner.org.

Pro Bono Partnership can provide legal advice for non-profits in New York who have

National Disaster Legal Aid

(800) 699-5636 or www.disasterlegalaid.org.

The **New York City Bar Association**, in conjunction with the **American Bar Association** and **Pro Bono.net**, has set up a hotline and website to provide victims of Sandy with free legal help.

City Bar Justice Center Legal Hotline

212-626-7383

The City Bar Justice Center's Legal Hotline provides information, advice and referrals in English, Spanish and Cantonese on FEMA applications, insurance, public benefits, landlord/tenant issues, unemployment, and general civil legal needs.

The Neighborhood Entrepreneur Law Project (NELP)

(212) 382-6633 or email us at nelp@nycbar.org

NELP is a City Bar Justice Center project to help businesses affected by Sandy through special legal clinics, presentations and other events. NELP-trained attorneys offer free counseling for business owners on issues relating to FEMA, the Small Business Administration, insurance, commercial landlord-tenant, contracts and employment. Contact NELP to learn how it can assist your business with disaster-related issues.

LawHelp.org/NY

www.LawHelp.org/NY

This on-line resource has an extensive Disaster and Recovery section with substantive resources and lists of organizations providing legal services for storm victims.

Hope Coalition/Operation HOPE

<http://www.operationhope.org/>

Since 1992, nonprofit Operation HOPE has been providing financial literacy and empowerment services to underserved communities worldwide. HOPE Coalition America (HCA) is Operation HOPE's disaster financial recovery division. Formed in 2001, as a result of its national agreement with the Department of Homeland Security and FEMA, HCA focuses on pre and post disaster financial and economic stability. It is recognized by the American Red Cross and FEMA as a financial recovery responder and HCA has assisted more than 500,000 individuals and families and small businesses in deferring payments and renegotiating loans, filing and resolving insurance claims, completing FEMA and SBA documents and Foreclosure prevention.

HOPE Financial Dignity Center New York

2511 Frederick Douglass Blvd, New York New York 10030 US

917-477-2800, 917-477-2823

<http://blog.operationhope.org/>

New York Peace Institute

Are you in conflict with a landlord, insurance adjuster, family member, or neighbor over Sandy related issues? Mediation may be the tool for you. Even the most difficult disputes can be resolved with the

help of professional mediators. Mediation is a free, safe and private way to resolve Sandy related conflicts.

Mediators guide the participants through a series of problem solving steps so they can find their own solutions. Mediators do not make decisions, but rather help the parties to share their viewpoints and generate and evaluate options.

- Alan Gross, Ph.D, Special Projects Coordinator, agross@nypeace.org
- 917-359-0444
- www.nypeace.org

MOLD ERADICATION

Neighborhood Revitalization NYC (NRNYC):

Working with the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City, Neighborhood Revitalization NYC will coordinate a mold treatment program that will directly help approximately 2,000 households in affected areas deal with the moisture and mold left behind by water damage from the storm.

In addition, the Mayor's Fund is supporting new awareness and safe practice trainings on mold treatment work, including free training sessions to educate homeowners and volunteers on mold and how to do treatment work independently

Neighborhood Revitalization NYC (NRNYC) will work with community based organizations for referrals to identify the neediest families for this limited program and a public phone number will be available in the coming days. Interested homeowners may call 311 for more information or to be referred to the NRNYC Program.

New York City Department of Health

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/doh/em/html/repairs/mold.shtml>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/disasters/mold/>

MUCK OUT/DEBRIS REMOVAL

In NYC

- Call 3-1-1

Samaritan's Purse

P.O. Box 3000
Boone, NC 28607
Phone (828) 262-1980

518-437-0690

Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people nationally and around the world. Their emergency relief programs provide desperately needed assistance to victims of natural disaster, war, disease, and famine. As we offer food, water, and temporary shelter, we meet critical needs and give people a chance to rebuild their lives. SP volunteers have been active in muck out crews since Hurricane Sandy.

Operation Blessing

Operation Blessing muck out teams are on the ground in Breezy Point and other especially hard hit areas. Please contact Local Coordinator: 914 636 8335 or see:

http://www.ob.org/programs/disaster/news/2012/dr_2012_1031_bringing_relief_to_sandys_victims.asp

Habitat for Humanity Disaster Response

We focus on the housing needs that arise from natural disasters and humanitarian emergency conflicts. We use a number of integrated approaches that revolve around sustainable shelter and housing solutions.

Main office: 270 Peachtree Street NW
Suite 1300
Atlanta, GA 30303 USA

disaster@habitat.org
<http://www.habitat.org/disaster/about>
New York Coordinator: 757 226 3433

New York Cares

The NYC point person for volunteer muck out work can be reached at: (646) 455 9977.

NONPROFIT NEEDS & COORDINATION

New York Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

<http://www.nyvoad.org/>

Telephone: (585) 241-4468
Email: admin@nyvoad.org

NYVOAD is a coordinating agency whose goal is to enhance planning, training and communications between organizations active in disaster mitigation, response and recovery. Also to foster more effective service through preparation, response and mitigation for the benefit of all people in New York State imperiled or impacted by disasters. Direct service to impacted communities is provided by the member agencies of the NYVOAD, not by the NYVOAD itself.

Fund for the City of New York

<http://www.fcny.org/fcny/>

The Fund adapts, applies and assesses ways to enable government and nonprofit agencies to achieve excellence through its core programs—the [Cash Flow Loan Program](#), the [Incubator/Partner Project Program](#), [Technology Consulting](#), the [Sloan Public Service Awards](#), and the [Sloan Awards for Excellence in Teaching Science and Mathematics](#)—and through three strategic initiatives: the [Center on Government Performance](#), the [Center for Internet Innovation](#) and [E-Community Connect](#).

Fund for the City of New York
121 Avenue of the Americas, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10013-1590
Phone: 212.925.6675
Fax: 212.925.5675

Citizens Committee for New York

Is no longer accepting applications for our [Hurricane Relief Grants](#). We are proud to be able to support [70 incredible volunteer groups](#) at the forefront of the post-Sandy relief efforts. However, workshops for resident-led groups and individuals interested in working on community improvement projects are on an ongoing basis. Those who complete four workshops will receive a Neighborhood Leadership Institute certificate. RSVP is required. To register, please contact Wilfredo at wflorentino@citizensnyc.org / 212-822-9568. <http://www.citizensnyc.org/> Citizens Committee for NYC, 77 Water Street, Suite 202, New York, NY 10005 and Call (212) 989-0909 or for general email: info@citizensnyc.org

The NYC Nonprofit Recovery Loan Program

The loans will be administered by the Fund for the City of New York, and the program will serve not only to help renew the many nonprofits affected but also as a reminder that “their efforts to rebuild New York’s neighborhoods are acknowledged and appreciated by the larger City.” Other support efforts include pro-bono legal assistance, briefings for federal reimbursements and filing procedures, and support at the NYC Restoration Centers.

http://www.nyc.gov/portal/site/nycgov/menuitem.c0935b9a57bb4ef3daf2f1c701c789a0/index.jsp?pagelD=mayor_press_release&catID=1194&doc_name=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nyc.gov%2Fhtml%2Fom%2Fhtml%2F2012b%2Fpr446-12.html&cc=unused1978&rc=1194&ndi=1

The Mayor's Office, in partnership with the City Office of Emergency Management, State Office of Emergency Management and FEMA, has conducted FEMA applicant briefing sessions attended by more than 500 nonprofits to understand critical information on being reimbursed for costs related to Hurricane Sandy. Nonprofits can also register for FEMA assistance at the Restoration Centers

established by the City in Red Hook, Gravesend, Fort Tilden, Staten Island, Avene, the Rockaways and the Bronx.

Materials for the Arts, the City's reuse center for non-profits with cultural programs, is providing impacted organizations with donated supplies and furniture. For more information go to <http://www.mfta.org>.

Brookfield Offering Free Nonprofit Space for Nonprofits Affected by Hurricane.

Brookfield Office Properties is offering 100,000 square feet of office space to displaced non profits and small businesses at 250 Vesey Street, Brookfield Place (aka World Financial Center), free of charge. The space is equipped with tables, chairs and internet and cellular connectivity. Interested organizations can contact Mark Kostic at mark.kostic@brookfield.com or 212-417-2516. In addition, Brookfield is offering the 29th floor of 4 WFC/250 Vesey as a venue for Sandy-related fundraisers free of charge; Brookfield will cover cleaning and electricity costs.

Human Services Council Resources for Nonprofits Affected by Sandy. As New York recovers from Hurricane Sandy, nonprofits are mobilizing to assist in immediate recovery efforts and to coordinate long-term strategies to help people rebuild. HSC is working with government, its members and others to compile information that is helpful to the sector. Please see the [updated list](#) to find valuable resources for your organization as you participate in relief efforts. HSC will be updating this list regularly.

Philanthropy New York organized a meeting of organizations building Hurricane Sandy Recovery Funds to begin greater coordination among the funds and avoid duplication of efforts. The first meeting occurred on Monday, November 19 and brought together 18 funds that have already gathered more than \$80 million. The purpose of this meeting was to begin coordination among the foundations and nonprofits that have established specific Hurricane Sandy response funds that will make grants to other organizations. Nonprofits soliciting funds only to support their own work to address Hurricane Sandy needs were not included. If your organization has a Hurricane Sandy recovery fund, we encourage you to join us. For more information, please email mremaley@philanthropynewyork.org. Additional coordination will be occurring. We are first attempting to collect comprehensive information about how much each organization has collected and aims to collect, what types of organizations they intend to make grants to for which geographic and population targets, and what will be their mix of medium- and long-term recovery efforts.

Long Term Recovery Groups:

Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island have each developed Long Term Recovery Groups which are a collection of nonprofits and faith based coalitions meeting weekly to address unmet needs collectively. A link to the Staten Island LTRG is <http://sisandyhelp.org/>

NYC Civic Database

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/cau/html/involved/civic.shtml>

NYC Civic Database is a free, online database of civic organizations and community-based groups throughout New York City's five boroughs. With a user-friendly format, you can search for civic groups by borough or region to find the right organization in the right place for you!

Some civic groups include:

South Ozone Park Coalition of Block Associations

P O Box 141 South Ozone Beach NY 11420
(718) 529 5877

Bayswater Civic Association

33-32 Bay Court
Far Rockaway NY 11691
(718) 471 7093

Beach 42 nd Street Block Association

377 Beach 42 Street
Far Rockaway NY 11691
(718) 510 6796 princeife@yahoo.com

The Broad Channel Civic Association

<http://www.waterfrontalliance.org/partners/broad-channel-civic-association>
55 West 15 Road
Broad Channel, Queens, NY 11693
Dan Mundy E-Mail: channelcivic@aol.com
See also: <http://w12thrd.blogspot.com/>

Affiliated with the Metropolitan Waterfront Alliance:
<http://www.waterfrontalliance.org/sandyaftermath>

Bayswater Civic Association

<http://bayswatercivic.org/>
Since 1935 the BCA has dedicated itself to maintaining the suburban lifestyle and quality of life in Far Rockaway. We hold public meetings from September through June at the Bayswater Jewish Center located at 2355 Healy Avenue at Dickens Street Far Rockaway NY 11691. Our Neighborhood Civic Association of Ozone Park
85-15 101 Avenue, Ozone Park NY 11418
(917) 992-1258

Rockaway Park Residents and Property Owners Association

436 Beach 129th Street, Belle Harbor, NY 11694
(718) 634 1100

Marine Park Civic Association

<http://www.marineparkcivic.com>

P O Box 340066

Brooklyn NY 11234

(718) 336-7343

Jti51@aol.com

See also: <https://www.facebook.com/mpcivic>

The Nonprofit Help Desk

<http://www.nphd.org/>

NonProfit HelpDesk (NPHD) provides essential management training and organizational technical services, enabling New York City's nonprofits to strategically streamline internal operations, enhance leadership performance, and fulfill their mission at the optimal level. We have helped over 2500 New York City nonprofit organizations. As part of a social service agency, the NonProfit HelpDesk uses our social service background to deliver holistic support with understanding, relevance and innovation.

The NonProfit HelpDesk is a division of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Coney Island. JCCGCI's central offices were totally destroyed when the hurricane flooded the building with six foot high sea water. Not only was all the equipment, furniture, and files ruined, the walls, ceilings and floors were structurally damaged as well. Contact Chaya Abelsky at 718-449-5000 ext. 2267 and chaya@nphd.org. <http://www.jccgci.org/>

REPAIRS

Streamlined Emergency Boiler Permits

To receive a temporary emergency work boiler work permit, fax or email the following information to (718) 595-3846 or email it to kliang@dep.nyc.gov and krishr@dep.nyc.gov.

- Address where the installation will occur
- Boiler and burner make and model numbers
- Boiler input / firing rate (BTU/hr.)
- Fuel type (only #2 and / or natural gas allowed)
- Name, phone number and address of the licensed installer / plumber

A complete Work permit application must be filed with DEP within 30 days of issuance of the temporary work permit. Applications for a work permit can be downloaded from at <http://on.nyc.gov/Rskj20> and hand delivered or mailed to DEP, 59-17 Junction Boulevard, 9th floor, Flushing, NY 11373. Please be sure to include the installation number in the application.

DEP regulates boilers in larger apartment and commercial buildings with at least 350,000 BTUs of power. Individual homeowners are not required to register with DEP. However, all commercial buildings must register with the Department. For more information on registering boilers in commercial buildings, visit: www.nyc.gov/buildings.

The Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) has issued a temporary waiver of the 0.15 percent sulfur limit set by the New York City Administrative Code. Last week, DEP issued a temporary waiver of the requirement set forth in Section 24-168.1(b) of the New York City Administrative Code that grade no. 2, 4, and 6 heating oil contain at least two percent biodiesel by volume. New York State has also issued an executive order temporarily suspending its low sulfur requirements relating to no. 2 fuel oil sold in New York City.

Gerritsen Beach Cares works to connect residents to NYC's "Rapid Repairs" program to bring in contractors to restore power, heat and other essentials free of charge, and is also provide residents with free mental health counseling.

Gerritsen Beach Cares, Inc.
PO Box 340505
Brooklyn, NY 11234
718-648-3745

GBC Sandy Recovery Center
2658 Gerritsen Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11229.
Office #: 347-585-8630

GBC is a not-for-profit, IRS Section 501(c)3 charitable organization, primarily conducting its operations in the peninsula known as Gerritsen Beach, Brooklyn, NY. The Gerritsen Beach Cares Sandy Relief team is dedicated to assisting the residents, organizations and businesses of Gerritsen Beach area to recover from, and rebuild after, Hurricane Sandy.

To help some of the thousands of New Yorkers who were displaced by Superstorm Sandy find permanent housing, the city's Department of Housing Preservation and Development will offer units in its new developments to those who lost their homes and apartments. The first such will be a 195-unit property in Coney Island expected to open in the summer.

Waves for Water

<http://www.wavesforwater.org/project/hurricane-sandy-relief-initiative>

W4W has provided a myriad of services to those affected by Hurricane Sandy according to our 3 phase plan of (1) First Response (2) Rubble/Debris Removal (3) Rebuilding. Every community is at a different stage of the recovery process but we are beginning to moving into the rebuild phase for several. To date our services have included volunteer coordination and transportation, providing over 3 million dollars in initial relief supplies (Clothing, warm weather items, food,

personal care items, tools, construction materials, etc.), assistance with home demolition (Removal of drywall, carpeting, furniture, etc.), rubble removal (Hauling away of debris, etc.). All initiatives will be determined upon a case by case basis depending upon the needs with which we are presented, however they will likely include procurement of contractors and skilled laborers, building materials, tools, furniture and home products, etc.)
For inquiries please contact us via email: info@wavesforwater.org

Coney Island Commons, a 195-unit development just off Surf Avenue near Sea Gate, will be the first project to have up to 25% of its units reserved for storm victims. Any prospective residents will still have to make no more \$49,800 a year for a family of four in order to qualify.

Another area that can help fund the elevation of homes, available only to those with flood insurance, is FEMA's Increased Cost of Compliance grant. It awards \$30,000 to homeowners who agree to comply with FEMA's new advisory flood elevations, to help pay for it.

NYC Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA) - Home Improvement Contractors

In an effort to get unlicensed contractors or contractors who normally work outside of New York City licensed and working on repairs for homes damaged by Superstorm Sandy, Consumer Affairs will be expediting fingerprinting and licensing procedures so approved applicants will receive their license in only two days. For more information, click [here](#).

- How to obtain forms, instructions, and other information
- Taxpayers may obtain forms, instructions, and other information from the Tax Department Web site (www.tax.ny.gov) or by calling:
- General tax information for all callers
- Withholding tax (518) 485-6654
- MCTMT (518) 485-2392
- PrompTax (518) 457-2332
- Forms and instructions (518) 457-5431
- NOTE: An Important Notice is generally issued to announce a singular event, such as an update to a previously issued tax form or instruction, or to announce a new due date for filing returns and making payments of tax because of a natural disaster. The Department does not revise previously issued N-Notices.

New York State Attorney General's Office: Sandy Resources/Avoiding Fraud among Contractors

<http://www.ag.ny.gov/press-release/hurricane-sandy-resources>
<http://www.ag.ny.gov/consumer-frauds/home-improvement-fact-sheet>

SMALL BUSINESSES

Federal:

Small Business Administration (SBA) loans

Don't let the word "business" in the name U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) fool you. If you are a homeowner or renter, the SBA is a primary source of federal funds for long-term recovery.

The SBA's low-interest disaster loans of up to \$200,000 can help qualified homeowners repair or replace damaged real estate. In addition, renters and homeowners may get up to \$40,000 to repair or replace damaged personal property. In both cases, these SBA loans are only for damages not covered by your insurance.

After you register for federal assistance, you may receive a letter in the mail with an SBA return address. Open it and complete the forms inside. It's a critical step in the recovery process. Whether or not you want a low-interest loan, if you do not return your SBA application, you may miss out on other assistance from FEMA.

You must return the SBA application to be considered for FEMA grants that cover personal property, vehicle repair or replacement, and moving and storage expenses. You do not need to repay these grants.

You do not need to return the application to be considered for eligibility for temporary housing assistance, and grants for public transportation, medical, dental or burial expenses.

SBA customer service representatives are available to issue or accept low-interest disaster loan applications and answer questions at all New York State/FEMA disaster recovery centers and 18 SBA business recovery centers. To find the nearest disaster recovery center, check out the disaster recovery center locator at www.FEMA.gov/disaster-recovery-centers or, with a tablet or smartphone, go to m.fema.gov. You may also text "DRC" and your Zip Code to 43362 (4FEMA). For example, if you lived in Staten Island, you would text: "DRC 10301." If you have a speech disability or hearing loss and use a TTY, call 800-462-7585 directly; if you use 711 or Video Relay Service (VRS), call 800-621-3362. To locate the nearest business recovery center, visit www.sba.gov or call 800-659-2955 (TTY 800-877-8339.)

Applicants may also apply online using the Electronic Loan Application via SBA's secure website at

DisasterLoan.SBA.gov/ELA. More information is available by calling the SBA Disaster Customer Service

Center toll-free number, 800-659-2955 (TTY 800-877-8339.) Assistance is also available by sending an email to DisasterCustomerService@sba.gov or by visiting www.sba.gov.

US Department of Labor Sandy Related Services

<http://www.dol.gov/opa/hurricane-recovery.htm>

New York City Small Business Services

Hurricane Sandy Business Recovery Information

New York City, including the Department of Small Business Services (SBS) and the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC), is coordinating a set of services to assist small businesses in recovering from Hurricane Sandy. For more information, please call 311 and ask for NYC Business Solutions.

- www.nyc.gov/html/sbs/nycbiz/html/home/home.shtml

Restoration Business Acceleration Team (RBAT)

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/nbat/html/rbat/rbat.shtml>

The City of New York has established the NYC Restoration Business Acceleration Team (RBAT) to assist businesses affected by Superstorm Sandy by coordinating the services, permitting and inspections needed to reopen as soon as possible. RBAT builds upon the expertise of the New Business Acceleration Team (NBAT) which has helped more than 1,000 businesses employing more than 10,000 people open more quickly—in many instances cutting in half the time required to open their doors. To date, RBAT has directly assisted 40 businesses. RBAT client managers serve as a single point-of-contact for impacted businesses, providing necessary information, coordinating scheduling with safety and regulatory agencies, and troubleshooting problems.

What Services Will RBAT Provide?

Client Management. Impacted businesses will be assigned a client manager who will help evaluate their situation and guide them through the steps needed to meet requirements to re-open. The client manager will serve as a business owner's point person with the City, helping to answer questions, coordinate and expedite inspections and other interactions with a variety of City Agencies. Client managers will facilitate interactions with the following agencies:

- Department of Buildings
- Department of Consumer Affairs
- Department of Environmental Protection
- Department of Health and Mental Hygiene
- Department of Sanitation
- Department of Small Business Services
- Department of Transportation
- Fire Department
- Landmarks Preservation Commission
- Office of People with Disabilities
- Public Utilities

Inspections / Site Visits. Impacted businesses can request a site visit where personnel from critical Agencies walk through an establishment and outline measures needed to bring the establishment

back into compliance with government rules and regulations. Client managers will refer and coordinate site visits and inspections including:

Department of Buildings: to determine whether the structural integrity of a location has been compromised and advise what safety measures need to be taken to bring it into compliance.

Department of Health and Mental Hygiene: to provide guidance on maintaining sanitary and safe operations. For severely impacted businesses, staff will instruct businesses on steps required to re-open.

Fire Department: to review Building and Fire Code requirements for the installation of fire alarm systems, independent exhaust systems for commercial cooking equipment producing smoke and grease-laden vapors or fumes, and to inspect combustible materials or equipment stored on the premises to ensure adequate safety measures are in place to prevent fires.

Department of Environmental Protection: to ensure the integrity of existing grease interceptors and to prevent backups into a location or public water sources.

Plan Examination. Severely impacted businesses requiring substantial rebuilding will often need to submit drawings for plan review and permit issuance. Accelerated plan review will be conducted by RBAT-assigned plan examiners for the following:

Department of Buildings plan review of construction drawings to determine if the proposed work meets Building Code standards

Fire Department plan review of fire alarm and fire suppression drawings to determine if the proposed installation meets Fire Code standards.

Contact RBAT by calling (212) 788-6722 or completing and emailing this [Superstorm Sandy form](#) to nbat@nbat.nyc.gov.

[Click here](#) to access the NYC Re-Starter guide, a guide to important information about re-opening your business.

Get information on federal, State and local resources for restoration [here](#).

RBAT Flier here: http://www.nyc.gov/html/nbat/downloads/pdf/nycstarter_guide.pdf

NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS) and NYC Economic Development Corporation (EDC)

Emergency Loans: the NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS) has partnered with Goldman Sachs and the NYC Economic Development Corporation (EDC) to provide [Emergency Loans](#) up to \$25,000 for New York City businesses affected by Superstorm Sandy. There is 0% interest for the first 6 months, followed by 1% interest for the next 24 months. Click [here](#) for the Superstorm Sandy Small Business Relief Fund Loan Application.

NYC Matching Grant Program: NYC Business Solutions and the NY Business Development Corporation are administering the NYC Matching Grant Program provided by the City of New York, The Mayor's Fund and New York City Partnership Foundation. The Program is designed for certain independently owned and operated businesses who have been approved for a NYC Emergency Loan. For more information, click [here](#).

SBS and the EDC also are providing free temporary office space for businesses affected by Superstorm Sandy. Businesses can access desk space, power, phone and internet at many spaces located throughout the five boroughs. Please check [here](#) for locations.

For additional information regarding free services such as administrative help, clean up and moving support, IT and communications assistance and free supplies listed through the EDC, please check [here](#).

Businesses in NYC should apply to the NYS Small Business Development Center (NYBDC) through the NYC Department of Small Business Services Business Solution Centers. For more information, please visit:

- www.nyc.gov/sbs
- or call 3-1-1 and ask for "NYC Business Emergency Loan."

Businesses outside of NYC should apply to the NYBDC through their local NYS Small Business Development Center. To find your local Small Business Development Center, visit:

- www.nyssbdc.org/locations/locations.html
- 518-443-5398

New York State Small Business Emergency Loan Fund

Businesses can apply for loans up to \$25,000.

- 855-NYS-SANDY
- www.esd.ny.gov

IDA Sales Tax Letter

New York City Industrial Development Authority is making an emergency sales tax letter available that will allow businesses to avoid payment of New York City and New York State sales taxes on materials purchased for rebuilding. Contact Shin Mitsugi at smitsugi@nycedc.com for further information.

Emergency Loans

Under a New York City program coordinated by the Department of Small Business Services and the New York City Economic Development Corporation, emergency loans up to \$10,000 are available for small and midsize businesses. Call 311 and ask for "NYC Business Emergency Loan" or contact the NYC Business Solutions Account Manager here:

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/sbs/nycbiz/html/contact/manager.shtml>

The Shared Work Program helps you avoid some of the problems caused by a layoff. If you keep your employees during a temporary slowdown, you can gear up quickly when business conditions

improve. You do not have the expense of recruiting, hiring, and training new employees. Also, you spare your employees the hardships of full unemployment.

How to apply: To take part in the Shared Work Program, you must first design a Shared Work plan. Complete an application online here: <http://www.labor.ny.gov/ui/dande/sharedwork1.shtm>

The New York Fed

The New York Fed is committed to helping provide useful and relevant information, advice and economic analysis to policymakers, civic and community organizations, individuals and businesses as they work to rebuild and recover from the effects of this storm.

The New York Fed's Liberty Street Economics blog has published a special five-part series examining the physical, economic and human costs of superstorm Sandy.

<http://www.newyorkfed.org/regional/sandyrelief/>

Empire State Development Agency

www.empire.state.ny.us/sandyassistance.asp

Empire State Development's Division for Small Business is established in New York State Economic Development Law to represent the interests of small businesses and to support the development and expansion of small businesses with under 100 employees. ESD is collecting information on businesses impacted by Hurricane Sandy. This information will be used to help in the development of state business assistance. ESDA also has a detailed small business resource guide at: <http://www.empire.state.ny.us/SmallBusiness/Data/NYSDirectorySmallBusinessProgram.pdf>
Or Call 855-697-7263

Business Council

This page has been created by The Business Council to provide a list of resources for our members: <http://bcnys.org/whatsnew/2012/Hurricane-Resources.html>

JP Morgan Chase Funds

<http://investor.shareholder.com/jpmorganchase/releasedetail.cfm?ReleaseID=717931>

The firm's pledged relief will include:

Up to \$5 million in charitable donations for relief and recovery efforts in affected areas, including:

\$2 million to the American Red Cross for emergency response;

\$1 million in matched funds for employee donations to the American Red Cross, WorldVision and the United Way, also for immediate relief efforts;

Up to \$2 million in donations to local agencies for recovery efforts including counseling, temporary housing, cash assistance and access to social services.

Up to \$5 billion in incremental capital for lending to small and mid-size businesses directly affected by the storm to help them rebuild. We will offer favorable terms on these loans, including discounted fees and rates. These loans will be on top of the funding we already do for small businesses.

Information about JPMorgan Chase & Co. is available at www.jpmorganchase.com.

Community Capital Management's flagship mutual fund, CRA Qualified Investment Fund (CRAIX), will dedicate \$100 million of fund assets to invest in disaster recovery and redevelopment projects in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.

Although CCM has not yet invested in Hurricane Sandy, it has begun working with the New York City Housing Development Corporation to originate projects.

http://www.fa-mag.com/news/investing-in-hurricane-sandy-13167.html#utm_source=Rebuilding%20NY%20Alert&utm_medium=alert-html&utm_campaign=Newsletters

Business Civic Leadership Center BCLC

<http://bclc.uschamber.com/>

The Business Civic Leadership Center (BCLC) is a resource and voice for businesses and their social and philanthropic interests. BCLC works with leaders from the business, government, and nonprofit sectors to address and act on shared goals. Programs include ToolBanks in support of disaster response and recovery and the Disaster Help Desk (in partnership with the Office Depot Foundation) <http://bclc.uschamber.com/site-page/disaster-help-desk-business> and tips for disaster donors: <http://bclc.uschamber.com/article/tips-business-donors-disasters>. For more info contact: Phone: 888-MY BIZ HELP / 888-692-4943 and gmcswiggan@uschamber.com or email: bclc@uschamber.com

Small Business Recovery Centers

Bronx SBDC at Lehman College (B) 250 Bedford Park Blvd. West, C128 Bronx, NY 10468 Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm daily/by app't. 718-960-8806

Bronx Overall Development Corp. (B) 851 Grand Concourse, Suite 123 Bronx, NY 10451 Hours: 9:00 am - 5:30 pm daily/by app't. 718-590-6252

Bronx Women's Bus. Resource Ctr. (B) 2488 Grand Concourse. Suite 321 Bronx, NY 10458 Hours: 9 am - 8 pm M-F, 8 am - 5 pm Sat

Brooklyn City-Tech SBDC (B) 25 Chapel St, 11th Floor Brooklyn NY 11201 (718) 797-0187 Hours: 9 am – 5 pm, Mon – Fri

Chinatown Partnership BID (B) 60 St. James Place New York, New York 10038 Hours: 9 am - 5 pm, Mon – Sun

IKEA / SBDC (B) (D) 1 Beard Street Brooklyn, NY 11231 Monday-Friday, 10:00am-4:00pm

LaGuardia SBDC, LaGuardia CC (B) 30-20 Thomson Avenue, Suite BA02 Long Island City, NY 11101 Hours: 9am - 5pm, M-F; 1pm - 5pm, Sat 718-482-5962 Director: Rosa Figueroa; Center: (718)482-5303 Fax: (718)609-2091 Email Address:sbdc@lagcc.cuny.edu

From the [Staten Island SBDC](#):

SBA Business Recovery Center

College of Staten Island
2800 Victory Blvd
Bldg 1A - Room 102
Staten Island, NY 10314

SBDC Advisor George Telmany 718-619-5603
SBA Team Leader Steve Wyckoff - 718-982-2495
Staten Island SBDC Center - 718-982-2560

Days and Hours: Monday to Saturday 10am to 7pm, Sunday 10am to 2pm

<http://www.nyssbdc.org/centers/centers.aspx?centid=33>

Director: Dean Balsamini
Center: 718-982-2560
Fax: 718-982-2323
Email Address:
sullivane@mail.csi.cuny.edu
Hrs. of Operation:9am-5pm

Outreach Offices:

Small BusDev Center-Bay Ridge Satellite Office

Sovereign Bank Bldg.
9512-Third Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11209
Phone: 718-619-5603

NYC Business Solutions Center (B)

79 John Street, 2nd Floor
New York, NY 10038
Hours: 9 am - 5 pm, Mon – Fri
10 am - 2 pm, Saturday

NYC Business Solution Center (B)

9 Bond Street, 5th Floor
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Hours: 9am - 5pm, M-F; 10am - 2pm, Sat

Rockaway Dev.& Revitalization Corp. (B)

1920 Mott Avenue, 2nd floor
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
718-327-5300
Hours: 9am - 6pm, M-F; 10am - 4pm, Sat

York College SBDC (B) 94-50 159th St., Science Bldg., Rm. 107 Jamaica, NY 11451-9902 Hours: 9 am – 6 pm, Mon – Sat

NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS) and NYC Economic Development Corporation (EDC)

Emergency Loans: the NYC Department of Small Business Services (SBS) has partnered with Goldman Sachs and the NYC Economic Development Corporation (EDC) to provide [Emergency Loans](#) up to \$25,000 for New York City businesses affected by Superstorm Sandy. There is 0% interest for the first 6 months, followed by 1% interest for the next 24 months. Click [here](#) for the Superstorm Sandy Small Business Relief Fund Loan Application.

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NYC Industrial Development Agency (IDA)

The NYC Industrial Development Agency (IDA) will provide emergency assistance to small businesses through the Hurricane Emergency Sales Tax Exemption Program (“HESTEP”). This assistance is limited to 250 businesses. This program will provide sales tax exemptions of up to \$100,000 for each affected company on purchases of building, construction and renovation materials, machinery and equipment and other items of personal property and related services needed to rebuild after the storm.

Eligible businesses must obtain the HESTEP sales tax letter prior to making eligible capital expenditures. For more information, visit the [EDC website](#).

Southwest Brooklyn Industrial Development Corporation (SBIDC)

Works to support disaster relief work in the Red Hook community.

New York City Non-Profit Recovery Loan Program will provide interest-free loans ranging from \$5,000 - \$100,000 to New York City non-profits impacted by Hurricane Sandy and will cover both operating and capital costs. The loans, which will be administered by the Fund for the City of New York, will be prioritized for organizations that have suffered the most severe losses and/or are operating within the worst affected areas.

BIDS IN IMPACTED AREAS:

A Business Improvement District is a formal organization made up of property owners and commercial tenants who are dedicated to promoting business development and improving an area's quality of life. BIDs deliver supplemental services such as sanitation and maintenance, public safety and visitor services, marketing and promotional programs, capital improvements, and beautification for the area - all funded by a special assessment paid by property owners within the district. For more information see: <http://www.nycbidassociation.org/>

Selected BIDS are below:

Forest Avenue BID (Staten Island)

<http://www.forestavenuebid.com/>

Forest Avenue merchants and property owners choose to be a part of a collaborative effort to provide services and sponsor special events. See: <http://www.forestavenuebid.com/resources>

Forest Avenue BID | 705 Forest Avenue, 2nd FL - R, Staten Island, NY 10310 | 718-816-4775

86th St. Bay Ridge B.I.D

<http://86bid.net/portal/>

The 86th Street Bay Ridge Business Improvement District shares facilities with its contracted management organization, The Bay Ridge & Bensonhurst Beautification and Preservation Alliance, Inc. The shared facility concept permits the BID to focus its funds on outsourcing the main manpower requirements of sanitation and clean-up while enhancing all other program services. Located at: 86th St. Bay Ridge B.I.D. 9201 4th Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11209

Phone: 718-680-2420, Fax: 718-921-4526

Atlantic Avenue BID

<http://www.atlanticavebid.org/>

AABID work includes: 1) advocating for zoning and new buildings that reflect the classic retail character of the avenue; 2) creating an adequate supply of parking and making sure that spots are available at the busiest shopping times; 3) reducing the number of vacant storefronts; and 4) creating a quarterly newsletter for merchants. 340 Atlantic Avenue | Brooklyn, NY 11201 | 718-734-4219

Bay Ridge 5th Avenue Business Improvement District

<http://bayridgebid.com/bid/>

Founded in 2006, this is the largest BID in Brooklyn, New York, covering from the areas of 65th Street to 85th Street. A not-for-profit corporation, the B.I.D. works to improve conditions by providing additional sanitation, security, beautification and capital improvements. The BID is located at: 464 Bay Ridge Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11220; 718-238-8181.

Bayside Village BID

<http://www.baysidebid.com/>

Since the creation in 2007, we have hosted street fairs, created banners promoting local businesses, hung Holiday lights and provided additional sidewalk cleaning throughout the BID. Over 200 businesses call the Bayside Village BID home. info@baysidevillagebid.com located at: 213-38 40th Avenue Bayside, NY 11361 or call (718) 423.2434

Brighton Beach BID

<http://bidbrightonbeach.com/>

The Brighton Beach District Management Association (DMA) was established in 1987 as a not-for-profit organization working together to make Brighton Beach Avenue a better place to live, work, shop and visit. The Brighton Beach Business Improvement District (BID) is a program of the DMA. With over twenty years of operation, successful promotional campaigns and clean streets, the Brighton Beach BID thousands of immigrants from the former Soviet Union and other countries. Located at: 1002 Brighton Beach Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11235
Phone: (718) 934-0067, Fax: (718) 934-0115

Alliance for Downtown New York

<http://www.downtownny.com/>

Since 1995, the Alliance for Downtown New York has been working to enhance the quality of life in Lower Manhattan. Our ambitious \$20 million streetscape plan has given lower Broadway a new look. The Downtown Alliance's Back to Business Grant Program has been completed providing nearly \$1.6mm to 105 businesses impacted by Hurricane Sandy. See:

<http://www.downtownny.com/grow-your-business> located at 120 Broadway, Suite 3340, New York, NY 10271, Tel: (212) 566-6700

The DUMBO Improvement District

<http://dumbo.is/home>

The BID has been providing advocacy, street beautification, neighborhood marketing and programming of public spaces (The Archway and The Pearl Street Triangle) since 2006. The BID launched Free DUMBO WiFi - making DUMBO even more of a digital district - as the first neighborhood to offer Free WiFi in the streets and public spaces.

20 Jay St Suite 510, Brooklyn, NY 11201, Phone 718-237-8700, Fax 718-237-7797

info@dumbonyc.org

Chinatown BID Steering Committee

c/o Chinatown Partnership Local Development Corporation

<http://www.supportchinatownbid.org/>

Chinatown Partnership, in collaboration with the Chinatown Business Improvement District (BID), announced a major fundraising initiative to provide grants to small businesses that were negatively impacted by Superstorm Sandy. The size of the grants will ultimately be determined by the amount of funds that are raised. To date, the Chinatown Partnership and Chinatown BID have raised over \$40,000 towards the “Chinatown Partnership – Sandy Relief Fund.” To be eligible, businesses must be located in the Chinatown BID service area; must be open at least 1 year (or have a 5-year lease); must have 50 or fewer employees OR less than \$1 million in annual revenue in 2011; must have been closed at least 5 days due to the storm/power outage/physical damage; must show demonstrable proof of loss of business; and must indicate intended use for the grant funds. To inquire if new grants will become available contact:

<mailto:info@ChinatownPartnership.org>

Grant Application here:

http://www.chinatownpartnership.org/12_5_Chinatown%20Sandy%20Relief%20Fund%20Grant%20Application.pdf

PO. Box 580, Canal Street Station, New York NY 10013, T: 212.346.9288 and supportbid@gmail.com

Long Island City Partnership

<http://www.licpartnership.org/>

The LIC Business Improvement District, a part of LIC Partnership, supports businesses and property owners in the commercial core of the neighborhood. The BID provides supplementary sanitation and security services within the District, and carries out community development and marketing initiatives that benefit the greater neighborhood.

27-01 Queens Plaza North, 9th Floor, Long Island City, NY 11101 or call 718.786.5300 ext. 21

Lower East Side Business Improvement District

<http://www.lowereastsideny.com/>

<http://www.lowereastsideny.com/about/disaster-relief-3/>

The Lower East Side Business Improvement District (LES BID) was established in 1992 as a nonprofit economic development organization dedicated to revitalizing the Orchard Street Shopping District by providing a variety of services to promote economic activity and improve the quality of life in the Lower East Side. Contact: 54 Orchard Street, New York, NY 10002 t: 212.226.9010 / 866.224.0206 / f: 212.226.8161 / e: info@LowerEastSideNY.com

Sunset Park Business Improvement District

<http://www.sunsetparkbid.org/>

Sunset Park is a growing, revitalizing community. It is bounded by 17th Street on the north, 65th Street on the south, 8th Avenue on the east and New York Bay on the west. During the last “Ice Age” a glacier moving from Canada, across New Jersey and Pennsylvania, pushed ahead of it a mountain of dirt which has become our 6th Avenue.

In 1995, the Sunset Park Business Improvement District was created by the property owners, business owners and residents of 5th Avenue. With a mission to revitalize the economic stability of the 5th Avenue shopping corridor, it strives to create a better shopping environment, and enhance the quality of life for Sunset Park. This is accomplished through its strong advocacy, supplemental services, community events and continual promotion of the district. The BID has become an integral part of the Sunset Park neighborhood, working with local organizations, schools, elected officials and city agencies.

Location: 5116A 5th Avenue, Suite 200, Brooklyn, NY 11220
phone (718) 439-7767, fax (718) 439-7794, renee@sunsetparkbid.org

Pitkin Avenue Business Improvement District

<http://www.pitkinbid.org/>

The BID is comprised of 10 blocks between Howard Avenue and Mother Gaston Blvd extending along Rockaway Blvd between Glenmore and Belmont Avenues. The BID delivers services to our many merchants and owners and has a meaningful impact on our community by improving its quality of life. Located at: 1572 Pitkin Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11212
Tel: (718) 483-1459, Fax: (718) 385-4860 and execdirector@pitkinbid.org

Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce

http://www.ibrooklyn.com/news_events/storm_recovery_information.aspx

For businesses that suffered damage, there are many programs at their disposal. In this time of need, the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce is here to assist its members. For those businesses, the road to recovery may take weeks, if not months. In the meantime, the Chamber would like to extend office space to members that need a place to work. We can provide you with temporary

work space at our offices at 25 Elm Place through the end of 2012. Please contact Veronica Harris at vharris@brooklynchamber.com or by calling 1-718-875-1000, ext. 127, for more information.

New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC)

<http://www.nycedc.com/backtobusiness>

NYCEDC was formed in 2012 as a result of the merger of New York City Economic Development Corporation into New York City Economic Growth Corporation. NYCEDC is the City's primary engine for economic development charged with leveraging the City's assets to drive growth, create jobs and improve quality of life. The City of New York is coordinating various programs and services to help businesses impacted by Hurricane Sandy. These programs include emergency loans for working capital, repairs/replacement of real estate, equipment, inventory and other business assets. Additional resources include temporary workspaces as well as employee retention and assistance programs to help retain your staff during this time.

New York City Economic Development Corporation
110 William Street
New York, NY 10038

Note: As part of New York City's efforts to support growth and job creation in immigrant communities, NYCEDC's Competition THRIVE seeks to develop innovative strategies and programs that help immigrant entrepreneurs succeed in business.

<http://www.nycedc.com/program/competition-thrive>

Community Development Corporations Introduction

A community development corporation (CDC) is a not-for-profit organization that promotes and supports community development in a particular neighborhood or a town. They often focus on serving lower-income residents or struggling neighborhoods. They can be involved in a variety of activities including economic development, education, community organizing and real estate development.

New York, Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation

<http://www.rdrdc.org/>

Since 1978, our goal is to be the catalyst for the Rockaway's revitalization by implementing community development activities that remove barriers to economic growth, stimulate the local economy and create jobs. Located at: 1920 Mott Avenue, Far Rockaway, NY 11691-4111 and Telephone 718.327.5300, Fax 718.327.4990

Email info@rdrdc.org

Astella Development Corp.

www.astelladevelopment.org

This CDC is a not-for-profit community based organization dedicated to providing affordable housing, commercial revitalization, & economic development, and improving the quality of life in Coney Island, Brooklyn. While Astella Development Corp.'s office on Mermaid Ave. is being renovated following the destruction it underwent from Superstorm Sandy, we have moved our operations temporarily into a mobile trailer at 1701 Surf Avenue. We share our new office space with the Alliance for Coney Island/#ConeyRecovers, Project Hope, Brooklyn Community Services, and Asian Americans for Equality.

1618 Mermaid Avenue

Brooklyn NY 11224

718 266 4653, fax 718 996 8759

astellaci@aol.com

Staten Island Economic Development Corporation

<http://www.siedc.org/>

Since 1993, SIEDC's mission is to enhance a thriving Staten Island economy by promoting public and private investment, and encouraging the development of commercial and industrial property and projects in an environmentally friendly manner, all of which improve the quality of life and provide broad and diverse employment opportunities. Staten Island Economic Development Corporation (SIEDC) 900 South Avenue, Suite 402, Staten Island, NY 10314 – USA; Phone: (718) 477-1400, Fax: (718) 477-0681

Coney Island Development Corporation

<http://www.thecidc.org/>

For the last two years, Coney Island Development Corporation has worked to make Coney Island a year-round, world-class recreational oceanfront destination through business development, job creation, new housing and unique cultural events.

Coney Island Development Corporation

(212) 312-4233

info@thecidc.org

Coney Recovers

<http://coneyrecovers.org/>

Based at 1701 Surf Avenue, ConeyRecovers is an initiative of [Alliance for Coney Island](#), a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting “the People’s Playground” and improving quality of life for the entire Coney Island community. The group has been very active in organizing legal and other workshops and hosting service providers. For more information, see:

info@coneyrecovers.org or call us at (718) 594-7895.

Fifth Avenue Committee

www.fifthave.org

The Committee has received \$225,000 to support the work of a full-time Housing Recovery Coordinator, who will work in partnership with the Red Hook Coalition (Good Shepherd Services, Red Hook Initiative, Added Value, ReStore Red Hook, and the Southwest Brooklyn Industrial Development Corporation), Red Hook Volunteers, and Rebuilding Together to conduct a neighborhood-wide needs assessment, identify buildings in need of mold removal and remediation, manage contractors, assist homeowners, and ensure the overall success of the rebuilding efforts in Red Hook Located at: 621 Degraw St Brooklyn, NY 11217 (718) 237-2017

Gowanus Canal Community Development Corp

201 Columbia Street # A
Brooklyn, NY 11231-3132
About Gowanus Canal CDC
Phone: (718) 858-0557,

Greater Sheepshead Bay Development Corp

2107 E 22nd Street
Brooklyn, NY 11229-3641
Phone:(718) 332-0520

Asians American For Equality (AAFE)

AAFE's Community Development Fund has received \$200,000 in grants for the Sheepshead Bay Sandy-Impacted Homeowner and Small Business Recovery Initiative. AAFE will work with the Kings Bay Y, Turkish Cultural Central Brooklyn, and others to provide low-interest loans, targeted technical assistance, and one-on-one financial counseling to small businesses and homeowners. See;

<http://www.aafe.org/>

Community Service Society

The Community Service Society's Financial Coaching Corps (FCC) wants to partner with your organization! FCC places free financial coaches in NYC non-profit organizations. Our coaches can help your clients repair their credit, budget, save, and address specific financial dilemmas. Hosting an FCC coach will increase your capacity to help your clients succeed! For more information please contact Reyes Irizarry, at 212-614-5419 or ririzarry@cssny.org. We also

provide free coaching at our site. Call Yvette Rennie, at 212-614-5558 or yrennie@cssny.org for details.

The NYC Business Networking Group (NYCBNG)

<http://www.meetup.com/The-NYC-Business-Networking-Group/>

NYCBNG is winner of Top 100 Small Business Influencers Award in Leadership. Over the last 5 years With over 10,000 members, NYCBNG hosts free and paid business networking events. See also:

<http://smallbiz.meetup.com/>

The Science, Industry and Business Library (SIBL)

<http://www.nypl.org/smallbiz>

SIBL is a premier public business library with comprehensive print materials, e-resources, and services for start-ups and established businesses seeking expansion, and for job seekers from entry to executive levels. Library staff provides roving assistance and consultations, and advisory services are offered on-site by experienced business owners, career coaches, and a financial specialist. The Science, Industry and Business Library (SIBL) is fully accessible to users with disabilities and is committed to enabling them to take full advantage of the Library's resources. Two floors of computers are available at: 188 Madison Avenue @ 34th Street, New York, NY 10016-4314

Crowd-Funding Resources

Crowd-funding platforms allow ordinary web users to support specific projects without the need for large amounts of money. Global Giving allows individuals to browse through a selection of small projects proposed by organizations worldwide, donating funds to projects of their choice. Microcredit crowd-funding platforms such as Kiva and Kickstarter at www.kickstarter.com. The New York City Council has a kickstarter page: <http://www.kickstarter.com/pages/NYC>. Speaker Quinn & the NYC Council have created this page to highlight projects in low-income neighborhoods. We hope to empower people to raise funds for creative ideas in communities that need them the most. With projects ranging from urban farms and art installations to co-ops and cafes – the potential for positive community change is immense. If you want your project featured please email kickstarter@council.nyc.gov and visit <http://on.nyc.gov/P9MbHR> for a list of participating neighborhoods.

In the face of this disaster, other crowd-funding portals such as Fundly and HelpersUnite are making an effort to rush aid to those in need. EarlyShares, a crowd-fund investment site, is spearheading the movement of crowd-funding for disaster relief. In September 2012, they acquired the philanthropic-focused crowd-funding platform HelpersUnite.com. HelpersUnite, another charity-focused crowd-funding portal, has waived its typical offering fee for Hurricane Sandy victims. HelpersUnite has also launched a parallel web site, SandyStatus.org, that acts as a crowdsourced information repository.

Other crowd-funding campaigns want to gather funds to transfer directly to the Red Cross. Restore the Shore has leveraged the Selfstarter.us platform developed and open-sourced by the makers of Lockitron. Crowd funding has potential both for nonprofits and for businesses. For more information please see:

<http://venturebeat.com/2012/11/05/crowdfunding-disaster-donations/>

SOCIAL SERVICES

(also See Child and Family Services)

CAMBA

Many New Yorkers face daily hurdles such as chronic homelessness, HIV/AIDS, language barriers, domestic violence, necessary job skills, and more. Since 1977, CAMBA has responded to community needs by creating individualized service-oriented programming. Based in Brooklyn, CAMBA offers integrated services and programs in: Economic Development, Education & Youth Development, Family Support Services, HIV/AIDS Services, Housing Services & Development, Legal Services for more than 35,000 individuals and families, including 8,000 youth, each year.

<http://www.camba.org/>

Heartshare

HeartShare Human Services of New York is a nonprofit human services agency dedicated to improving the lives of people in need of special services and support. We help individuals develop to their fullest potential and lead meaningful and enriched lives.

HeartShare is committed to serving the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Our services include: Residential Programs, Adult Day Programs, Early Childhood Services, School Age Program, Health and Mental Health Services (Article 28 and Article 16 Clinics), Medicaid Service Coordination, Respite/Recreation Programs, Parent Training, Case Management and Financial Reimbursement, Fragile X Information and Referral

Please call us at (718) 422-4200 for general information. If you are trying to reach our Angels On The Bay Evaluation Center, please call our Cuomo First Step Early Childhood Center at (718) 441-5333. <http://www.heartshare.org/>

Human Services Council

<http://www.humanservicescouncil.org/>

HSC members include many nonprofits service providers:

http://www.humanservicescouncil.org/hsc_members.php

Lutheran Social Services of New York

<http://www.lssny.org/site/contact-us/>

475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1244
New York, New York 10115
Phone: (212) 870-1100

LSSNY “Project Life” Recovery Program

<http://www.lssny.org/site/sandy-get-help/>

Metropolitan Council on Jewish Poverty

80 Maiden Lane, NY, NY
10038 and 526 Midland Ave
SI, NY 10306

Met Council is one of New York’s top human service agencies helping 100,000 New Yorkers fight poverty each year. Our services include crisis intervention, legal and immigration assistance, benefits outreach and enrollment, kosher food pantries and vouchers, career training and assistance, domestic violence counseling, affordable housing, home care, and home repairs.

Our clients range from families suffering a loss of income who are suddenly unable to pay rent or utilities, to seniors living on fixed incomes who can no longer pay for their groceries, to low-income individuals who need assistance with renewing their benefits applications. Many of our clients are who we call "working poor," working families that earn too much money to qualify for federal assistance but not enough to make ends meet. Met Council provides nearly \$1,500,000 in financial assistance each year. Please call 212-453-9539 to make an appointment. crisis@metcouncil.org

Project Hospitality

www.projecthospitality.org/

Project Hospitality provides services in a comprehensive continuum of compassionate care that begins with the provision of food, clothing, and shelter and extends to other services which include health care, mental health, housing, family services, chemical dependence treatment, HIV care, health education, vocational training, and legal assistance. The programs and services of Project Hospitality are delivered through 5 Area Divisions - HIV/AIDS Services, Adult Services, Family Services, Rehabilitation and Recovery, and Housing Services.

In the wake of Superstorm Sandy, Staten Island-based Project Hospitality has coordinated resource efforts at shelters, moving donated clothes and other resources, securing emergency medicine and escorting evacuees to their homes to secure their personal papers and effects. Project Hospitality has been active in obtaining relief and recovery funds and with the Staten Island Long Term Recovery Groups. For more information: Reverend Terry Troia, Paul Kosinski Deacon, 718-448-1544

TRANSPORTATION

Great Kills Ferry schedule

The City has launched a temporary commuter ferry service from Great Kills to Manhattan, serving some of the communities most damaged by Sandy.

- www.nyc.gov/html/dot/html/ferrybus/greatkills.shtml

Rockaway Ferry schedule

Seastreak continues to operate a temporary ferry service between the Rockaways and Manhattan.

- www.seastreakusa.com/viewpage.aspx?page=Brooklyn

VOLUNTEERING

American Red Cross

The American Red Cross in Greater New York prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. The American Red Cross is always there in times of need, aspiring to turn compassion into action so that all people affected by disasters across the country and around the world receive care, shelter and hope.

- 520 West 49th Street, New York, NY, 10019
- 877-733-2767
- www.nyredcross.org

New York Cares

New York Cares meets pressing community needs by mobilizing caring New Yorkers in volunteer service.

- 214 West 29th Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY10001
- General line 212-228-5000, Project sign-up hotline 212-402-1101
- www.newyorkcares.org

Occupy Sandy

Occupy Sandy is a coordinated relief effort to distribute resources and volunteers to help neighborhoods and people affected by Hurricane Sandy through advocacy, direct service, and non-hierarchical community mobilization. OS will provide \$100,000 to the Staten Island Long Term Recovery Group.

- interoccupy.net/occupysandy/volunteer/
- occupysandy@interoccupy.net

Helpbridge

<http://blogs.volunteermatch.org/engagingvolunteers/2013/01/16/announcing-helpbridge-microsofts-new-disaster-response-app-makes-it-easier-for-nonprofits-to-find-volunteers-and-get->

help/?utm_source=iContact&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=VolunteerMatch%20Nonprofit%20Newsletter&utm_content=NPnews_0113

Announcing Helpbridge: Microsoft's New Disaster Response App Makes It Easier for Nonprofits to Find Volunteers and Get Help

Posted in [Web 2.0/social media](#)

During times of disaster, and in their chaotic and often tragic aftermaths, we always need more ways to easily connect organizations on the ground with the volunteer help they really need.

This morning in conjunction with VolunteerMatch, Microsoft launched a new mobile application to assist organizations that focus on helping communities prepare and respond to disasters. [Helpbridge](#), which is available on Windows Phone, Android and the iOS platforms, is a disaster response app that helps people get help and give help during a natural disaster such as a hurricane or earthquake.

HelpBridge is designed to help users:

Volunteer: HelpBridge matches users with volunteer opportunities nearby (using the [VolunteerMatch APIs](#)), so anyone can contribute time and energy to supporting those most in need after a disaster.

Connect: HelpBridge can send an email or SMS message to preselected groups of people and post a message to Facebook. Users have the option to share their GPS coordinates so that message recipients will know where they are and the circumstances surrounding them.

Donate: HelpBridge makes donating easy by connecting users with some of the world's leading disaster relief organizations and by providing multiple ways to help: text-to-give donations, larger contributions via PayPal, and goods donations (via partners [Aidmatrix](#), [GuideStar](#), [Network for Good](#), [Mobile Giving Foundation](#)).

One of the things that makes the Helpbridge app so unique is its use of the [VolunteerMatch APIs](#) to hook into the VolunteerMatch network. This makes [disaster-related volunteer listings](#) that your organization posts on VolunteerMatch even more visible to anyone looking for a way to help out. Plus, the added mobile element means that even when people are on the go, they will be able to search and connect with your organization.

So be sure to [post and update](#) your organization's disaster response and relief volunteer needs on VolunteerMatch, so that the people who want to help will be able to find you when it really matters.

[Click here for more information and to download the Helpbridge app.](#)

Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation Headquarters

Volunteers can begin showing up at 8:30am. Those wishing to help victims gut and clean out homes, as well as other various needs, are welcome. 8:30am-5:00pm daily (until further notice for hurricane relief efforts). Contact:

- Anthony Navarino,- Hurricane Sandy Relief Coordinator
- 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306

- Office: 718-987-1931
- Fax: 718-987-3909
- Cell: 917-607-7408
- tony.navarino@tunnel2towers.org

Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Hurricane Relief Center

9:00 am - 3:00 pm daily. Open for hurricane victims from Zone A; must show Identification or FEMA registration. Volunteers for Center can show up starting at 8:30am. Stock shelves, obtain goods from stock for walk-ins, make deliveries to victims' homes as needed, unload trucks.

- 2271 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306

World Cares Center (WCC)

World Cares Center fosters safe and effective disaster preparedness, response and resiliency within communities. World Cares Center (WCC) collaborates with community groups, municipalities, and relief agencies to more effectively integrate and utilize community volunteers, to prepare citizens to safely participate in their communities' emergency response, and to foster recovery and resilience in those communities affected by disaster. World Cares Center delivers unique educational and resilience- building services through its Disaster Preparation & Trauma Mitigation program. Debris removal and mold remediation.

- 520 8th Ave Suite 210B, New York, NY
- www.worldcares.org

Administers Volunteer Coordination Centers in the Rockaways and Staten Island focused on coordinating and training volunteers to aid those affected by Superstorm Sandy. WCC partners with numerous grassroots organizations such and is focused currently on muck-out and mold suppression services.

- For Staten Island services, please contact Michelle Bascome at mbascome@worldcares.org.
- For Rockaways services, please contact Andi Broffman at abroffman@worldcares.org.
- For all other inquiries, please contact World Cares Center at (212) 563-7570 or visit the website at www.worldcares.org/.

YOUTH SERVICES

Action Center provides after school programming for school aged children in the Far Rockaway area. Additionally, they provide health assistance services such as insurance access, healthy foods training, and infant care. They also provide free tutoring and supplemental education services.

info@theactioncenter.com

www.theactioncenter.com

CUNY was funded by the Robin Hood Foundation to provide emergency cash assistance to approximately 750 students who are struggling to pay bills in the wake of the storm, making it possible for them to stay on course with their studies.

<http://www.cuny.edu/about/administration/offices/sa/GeneralinfoResources/HurricaneSandyFAQ.html>

Child Mind Institute works to deploy clinicians to schools in areas especially hard-hit by Sandy including Breezy Point, Far Rockaway and Staten Island, reaching thousands of students in more than 100 public elementary, middle and high schools. 212.308.3118 <http://www.childmind.org>

Children's Storefront to provide additional supports and emergency supplies to struggling students (and their families) that were disparately impacted by the storm.
<http://www.thechildrensstorefront.org/>

Hetrick-Martin Institute provides emergency food, supplies and expanded counseling and legal services to at-risk LGBT youth affected by Hurricane Sandy as well as support for general operating expenses incurred due to the storm. Inventory of city-wide resources for LGBT youth.
<http://www.hmi.org/resources-for-lgbtq-youth-impacted-by-sandy?>

Red Hook Initiative provides long term programming to youth ages 10 -24 and is engaging in community based planning efforts for neighborhood visioning sessions. www.rhicenter.org
info@rhicenter.org

Rockaway Youth Task Force is a youth development and empowerment organization in the Rockaways. Programming includes volunteer work, mentorship, and community development opportunities. <http://www.rytf.org/OUR-MISSION.html> info@RYTF.org

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