

Hurricane Sandy

Quick Reference Resource Guide

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If you have been affected by **Hurricane Sandy** on Long Island, please dial 2-1-1 or 1-888-774-7633 to find out what disaster related services are available in your area. The 2-1-1 LI call center is open 24/7 at this time for non-emergency referral information. Visit www.211longisland.org for up-to-date information. You may also *contact*: Theresa Regnante; tregnante@unitedwayli.org; (631) 940-3701 or Elizabeth Eberhardt; eeberhardt@unitedwayli.org; (631) 940-3712.

New York State: Hurricane Sandy Helpline for New York State Residents 1-888-769-7243 / 1-518-485-1159

American Red Cross on Long Island: (516)747-3500 Visit www.redcross.org to download a "Hurricane App" which provides real-time lists of open shelters.

Shelters as of 11/5/12

Nassau County:

John Miller Great Neck North High School 35 Polo Road Great Neck, NY 11023

Nassau Community College 1 Education Drive Garden City, NY 11530

West Hempstead High School (Kosher Shelter) 400 Nassau Blvd West Hempstead, NY 11552

Suny Old Westbury 223 Store Hill Rd Old Westbury, NY 11568

Levittown Memorial Special Education Center 150 Abbey Lane Levittown, NY 11756

Farmingdale Senior High School 150 Lincoln Street Farmingdale, NY 11735

Glen Cove High School 150 Dosoris Lane Glen Cove, NY 11542

Locust Valley Middle/High School 99 Horse Hollow Rd Locust Valley, NY 11560

Nassau County pet-friendly shelters:

Mitchel Athletic Complex 1 Charles Lindbergh Boulevard Uniondale, NY 11553

Comfort stations in Nassau County (offering heat, showers, and charging stations from 7am-7pm):

Aquatic Activity Center at Tully Park 1801 Evergreen Avenue, New Hyde Park 11040

"Yes We Can" Community Center 141 Garden Street, Westbury 11590

Clubhouse at Harbor Links Golf Course 1 Fairway Drive Port Washington, NY 11050

After the storm (Nassau County):

First United Methodist Church of Amityville 25 Broadway (route 110) Amityville, NY 11701

Open 5pm-9pm. Providing those without power Church World Service disaster kits, charging stations, and movies for entertainment.

St. Mark's Episcopal Church 1692 Bellmore Avenue North Bellmore, NY 11710

Open 4-7pm for dinner and distributing emergency supplies

Seaford United Methodist Church 2160 Washington Ave. Seaford, NY 11783

Open November 5-9 from 5-7pm. Providing those without power a warm meal and charging stations.

Long Island Council of Churches are offering power, phones, and internet access. Assisting people with food, clothing, toiletries, school supplies, and household items:

Christ's 1st Presbyterian Church 353 Fulton Ave, Hempstead, NY 11550, 516-565-0290

Freeport 450 N. Main Street, Freeport NY 11520 516-868-4989

Suffolk County Shelters

Robert Frost Middle School 450 Half Hollow Road Deer Park, NY 11729

Walt Whitman High School 301 West Hills Rd Huntington Station, NY 11746

Brentwood High School 5th Avenue Brentwood, NY 11717

Sachem High School East 177 Granny Rd Farmingville, NY 11738

Riverhead High School 700 Harrison Ave. Riverhead, NY 11901

Hampton Bays Secondary School 88 East Argonne Rd Hampton Bays, NY 11946

East Hampton High School 2 Long Lane East Hampton, NY 11937

Suffolk County pet friendly shelters:

Brentwood Recreation Center 99 3rd Avenue Brentwood, NY 11717

Woodland building at the Eastern Campus of Suffolk County Community College 121 Speonk-Riverhead Rd., Riverhead, NY 11901

Warming Centers (Suffolk County):

Rose Caracappa Senior Citizens Cultural and Wellness Center 739 Route 25A in Mt. Sinai / Call 631-476-6449

Bay Area Nutrition Center 369 Neighborhood Road in Mastic Beach / Call 631-281-7679

New Village Recreation Center 20 Wireless Road (Corner of Wireless Road and Hawkins Road) in Centereach / Call 631-732-2338

Robert E. Reid, Sr. Recreation Center Defense Hill and Route 25A in Shoreham / Call 631-744-2601

St. Michael's Recreation Center Wilson Avenue in Gordon Heights / Call 631-698-3254

Mastic Recreation Center 15 Herkimer Street in Mastic / Call 631-281-7655

Henrietta Acampora Recreation Center (Blue Point Cottage) 39 Montauk Highway in Blue Point / Call 631-363-5193

After the storm (Suffolk County):

Long Island Council of Churches Riverhead, 407 Osborne Avenue at Lincoln, 631-727-2210

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Food Stations as of 11/5/12

American Red Cross food sites will be open to serve lunch from 11am-2pm and dinner from 4 pm-6:30pm at the following locations:

Nassau County

Christopher Morley Park 500 Seasingtown Road, Roslyn NY

Nickerson Beach Park 880 Lido Blvd., Lido Beach NY

Cedar Creek Park 3340 Merrick Road, Seaford NY

Suffolk County

H.Lee Dennison Bldg. 100 Veterans Memorial Highway, Hauppauge NY

Riverhead City Center 210 Center Drive, Riverhead NY

Mastic Fire House 1080 Mastic Road, Mastic, NY

Rocky Point Fire House 49 Route 25A, Shoreham

Sound Beach Fire House 152 Sound Beach Blvd, Sound Beach

For more information, call the Red Cross at [631-924-6911](tel:631-924-6911) or [1-800-733-2767](tel:1-800-733-2767). You can also visit www.suffolkcountyny.gov or www.redcross.org.

Town Contacts		
Town of North Hempstead	call 3-1-1 or 516-TOWN-311	www.northhempstead.com
Town of Hempstead	516-489-5000	www.townofhempstead.org
Town of Oyster Bay	Downed trees call 516-677-5757	www.oysterbaytown.com
City of Glen Cove	516-676-2000 or 516-676-4402	www.glencove-li.us
City of Long Beach	516-431-1000	www.longbeachny.org
Town of Babylon	Downed trees call 631-422-7600	www.townofbabylon.com
Town of Brookhaven	Downed trees call 631-451-9200	www.brookhaven.org
Town of East Hampton	Roadway obstruction call 631-324-0925	www.town.east-hampton.ny.us
Town of Huntington	631-271-6573; downed trees 631-499-0444	www.huntingtonny.gov
Town of Islip	Downed trees call 631-224-5600	www.townofislip-ny.gov
Town of Riverhead	631-727-3200	www.townofriverheadny.gov
Town of Southampton	631-283-6000	www.southamptontownny.gov
Town of Southold	631-765-1800	www.southoldtownny.gov
Town of Shelter Island	631-749-0291	www.shelterislandtown.us

Financial benefits

Contact the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for:

Individual Assistance (IA): disaster assistance directed to families, individuals, and businesses.

Rental Assistance: Individual and Households Program (IHP) offers funds to rent alternative housing for a limited period of time while repairs are made to the dwelling, and a free referral service to find a safe replacement rental property

Storm survivors looking For a place to rent: ask for rental resources by town, county, number of bedrooms, accessibility and other criteria.

Call 1-800-621-FEMA (3362); TTY 1-800-462-7585. Multilingual assistance is also available by phone. Applicants can also register online at www.DisasterAssistance.gov or with a Smartphone at m.fema.gov.

You may also visit a FEMA Disaster Recovery Center:

Nassau County

Nassau Community College 1 Education Drive, Garden City, NY Hours: Nov. 2 to further notice: 8am -8pm daily.

Island Park Village Hall 127 Long beach Rd Island Park, NY 11558 Hours 8am-8pm.

Suffolk County

H. Lee Dennison Building 100 Veterans Memorial Highway Hauppauge, NY 11788 Hours: 1pm-8pm. Thurs. 8am-8pm.

Household Appliance Grant Program: New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services will help cover the cost of replacing vital household appliances, such as refrigerators, boilers, hot water/heater tanks, washing machines, dryers, dehumidifiers, and furnaces damaged by flooding. Purchase of appliances and equipment must be for replacement purposes only and not covered by insurance or FEMA. To apply call 877-697-6278 or check website: www.NYSappliancerebates.com

Free Energy Efficiency Assistance Program: NYS Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA) provides free energy efficiency assistance to income eligible New York State residents. Services include replacement of primary refrigerators, heating systems, water heaters or other energy efficiency services. Call 800-263-0960 or check website: www.getenergysmart.org/empower. Homes must be viable for continued habitation and measures covered by insurance or FEMA are not eligible.

Disaster Case Management Program: This program can help ANYONE that has been affected by **Hurricane Sandy** and still has unmet needs, which includes; Those that are not eligible for FEMA, Those that got FEMA assistance but still have unmet needs, Those that are confused about where they stand in the FEMA process. It is important to note that immigrants are eligible for Disaster Case Management even if they are not eligible for FEMA. Contact Catholic Charities Community Services at 516-733-7005.

Disaster Loans (SBA): The United States Small Business Administration is providing low interest loans to **homeowners, renters, and businesses of all sizes and private, non-profit organizations** to repair or replace real estate, personal property, machinery, and equipment, inventory, and business assets that have been damaged or destroyed in a declared disaster.

Homeowner: You may be eligible to borrow up to \$200,000 to repair or replace your home at a rate as low as 2.5%.

Renters & Homeowners: May be eligible to borrow up to \$40,000 to repair or replace personal property, including automobiles at a rate as low as 2.5%.

NYS Insurance Claims: If you have homeowner's insurance and sustained any damage, start collecting documents to support any claim. Flood damage is often not covered under many policies. The NYS Insurance department opened **Hurricane Sandy** information hot line from 8 AM to 8 PM, 1-800-339-1759 or visit <http://www.ins.state.ny.us/> for more information.

Disaster Legal Services: New York state residents facing legal issues arising out of **Hurricane Sandy** can get free legal help through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Disaster Legal Services program. Disaster Legal Services can help survivors with bankruptcy, civil rights, employment law, landlord-tenant law, FEMA benefits claims, wills, trusts and probate matters, among other issues potentially arising from disaster. Any person affected by **Hurricane Sandy** who does not have the means to hire a lawyer is eligible. Call the Disaster Legal Services Hotline at **1-800-342-3661** from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday**.

Touro Law School Pro Bono Storm Help Center - "TLC- HEART": To provide referrals, assistance and legal advice for local residents and small businesses affected by **Hurricane Sandy**. The center, called TLC-HEART (Touro Law Center - Hurricane Emergency Assistance and Referral Team), will be staffed by volunteer lawyers and law students. It will include a telephone hotline that will match resident concerns with referrals to federal, state and local government agencies and private groups offering storm-related assistance. Call (631) 761-7198 or email tlcheart@tourolaw.edu

Tax Deductions: Property losses from natural disasters are tax-deductible. Before and after photographs, receipts, canceled checks, deeds, purchase contracts, and professional appraisals are good supporting evidence for casualty claims. For more information, call the IRS at 1-800-829-3676 or visit **www.irs.gov** for forms and information on how to contact specific units.

Power outages

Residents are reminded to report outages directly to the utilities.

- LIPA (to report or find out about electrical outages and to report downed power lines) 1- 800-490-0075
- National Grid (gas emergency) 1-800-867-5222
- Freeport Electric Emergency Phone: 516-378-0146
- Rockville Centre Electric Emergency (24 hour): 516-766-5800.
- Greenport Electric: (631) 477-2385
- Nassau County Sewer and Storm Water Finance Authority 516-571-2090
- Suffolk County Water Authority (24 hour repair) 631-665-0663

Transportation

The Congregational Church of Patchogue, has a project called "Workers without Wheels" that provides free bicycles (and bicycle repair training) to people lacking other forms of transportation. With it being so difficult to find gasoline in many areas hit by Sandy, this is a great time to think about conserving fuel and reducing the carbon emissions and global warming that contributes to sea level rise and storm severity and frequency. The church is doing everything it can to continue to provide bikes to those who need them. For further information, please call the Rev. Dwight Lee Wolter at [631-475-1235](tel:631-475-1235) or [631-891-9908](tel:631-891-9908).

The Salvation Army will arrange transportation from 66 Church Street in Freeport to its shelters at Nassau Community College and elsewhere. Call 516-378-4557 for more information.