

Resources for Hurricane Sandy Recovery – 05/3/2014

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• 211

Hurricane recovery resources, information and referral

Call 211 or go to: <http://www.nj211.org/hurricane.cfm> for NJ resources for Hurricane Sandy recovery. If you don't know where to start or who to call, start by calling 211.

Across Ocean County, the 211 service has answered thousands of calls from residents needing help, from financial assistance and housing, to legal assistance and transportation.

• NJ Government Programs & Grants

Gap Funding Initiative

Housing assistance grants of up to \$30,000 for eligible New Jersey homeowners.

<http://www.gapfundinginitiative.org>

Links to all the NJ Sandy Related Housing Programs

<http://www.state.nj.us/dca/hmfa/homeownership/sandy/>

reNEW Jersey Stronger Call Center 1-855-SANDYHM (726-3946)

Sandy Homebuyer Assistance Program

The Sandy Homebuyer Assistance Program will provide qualified low and moderate income borrowers with a forgivable, INTEREST-FREE loan of up to \$50,000!*

No required monthly payments. Loan is forgiven in full after five years.

Eligibility: Purchase a home in any of the nine Sandy-impacted counties: Atlantic, Bergen, Cape May, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean or Union. HUD income limits and other restrictions apply.

For information: <http://www.state.nj.us/dca/hmfa/homeownership/buyers/shap/> or call 1-855-SANDYHM (726-3946) . **As of September 30, 2013, 11:59 p.m., the Sandy Homebuyer Assistance Program is no longer accepting pre-applications.**

Homeowner Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, Elevation and Mitigation (RREM): This program provides up to \$150,000 for eligible Homeowners to repair, elevate or rebuild their primary residences in the affected communities. <http://renewjerseystronger.org/rrem/> reNEW Jersey Stronger Call Center 1-855-SANDYHM (726-3946) **As of August 1, 2013, applications for RREM are no longer accepted.** More funds may become available later so keep checking.

If your RREM application has been preliminarily approved, what are the next steps? See http://www.tomsrivertownship.com/downloads/RREM_Process_Combined_English_final.pdf for the step by step requirements and expectations.

Housing Recovery Centers opened in many New Jersey locations June 8, 2013. Beginning September 1, 2013, Housing Recovery Centers will be open Monday – Friday, from 9 am to 6pm. The Ocean County Housing Recovery Center is located at 750 Vassar Avenue, Suite 1, Lakewood, NJ. <http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/sandyrecovery/centers/>

- **NJ Office of Emergency Management**

http://ready.nj.gov/programs/sandy_recovery.html has many useful links from free disaster case management services, emergency hotlines, official state executive orders related to Sandy, Governor's Office press releases, and many other NJ state sites with information for Sandy Survivors. Call 732-341-3451 for emergencies ONLY

Superstorm Sandy Action Plan and Resources

<http://www.nj.gov/dca/announcements/sandy.html> has the state's long term recovery plan and more links to resources from housing assistance, community development block grant disaster recovery funds, rebuilding guidance for property owners, guidance for Sandy impacted local governments, assistance for Sandy impacted firefighters and more.

New Jersey's Hurricane Sandy Information Center

http://www.nj.gov/nj/home/features/spotlight/hurricane_sandy.shtml

- **NJ Disaster Case Management Program**

Catholic Charities has a no cost disaster case management program for New Jersey residents with unmet needs because of Hurricane Sandy. Disaster Case Managers are available to help you develop a recovery plan, find resources and obtain referrals. They provide one-on-one advice to help find solutions to resolve your unmet needs caused by the disaster. To expedite the process, NJ 2-1-1 is handling all of the initial intake calls. You can reach them by calling 1-877-510-6762 or emailing them at dcm@nj211.org . Phones are answered 9 am to 5 pm Monday to Friday.

- **FEMA:**
<http://www.fema.gov/hurricane-sandy> and NJ specific <http://www.fema.gov/disaster/4086>
The last day to apply for individuals and families was MAY 1, 2013.

Survivors can check on the status of their disaster assistance applications at DisasterAssistance.gov, by using a smartphone or tablet at m.Fema.gov, or by calling 800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 800-462-7585 or 711/VRS. They also can call those numbers to inquire about rental recertification.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency recommends Hurricane Sandy survivors who received money to keep the receipts or bills for which the money was used for three years. FEMA assistance must be used for eligible disaster expenses only, as identified in the approval letter from the agency. Survivors must save documentation that demonstrates how the funds were used in meeting their disaster-related needs in case they are audited.

Examples of what to keep include: Receipts for items purchased for home repair, contractor invoices, proof of hotel room charges if you received housing assistance, rent payment receipts if you received housing assistance, and receipts for moving and storage expenses receipts for repairing or replacing personal property.

New Jersey survivors of Hurricane Sandy who have been turned down for disaster assistance by the Federal Emergency Management Agency have the right to appeal that decision. Before appealing, be sure to read your determination letter carefully. FEMA may only be asking that you provide additional information. If this is the case, include as much documentation as possible to support your losses and document their value. For more information on how you can appeal the decision go to <http://www.fema.gov/disaster/4086/updates/disaster-survivors-have-right-appeal-if-fema-assistance-denied>

- **Base Flood Elevations** (another step to new Flood Maps)
<http://www.region2coastal.com/sandy/abfe> This FEMA website has the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) maps and answers questions about the new Base Flood Elevations for property in Ocean County. The BFE maps were released for Ocean County on 6/17/2013. The BFE are not new official Flood Maps but are another step towards the revision of all the flood maps for the Jersey Shore. This site includes an address lookup to make it easy to find your home's new BFE. This information replaces the Advisory Base Flood Elevations (ABFE) that were released in December 2012.

To look up your address in the new Base Flood Elevations, there is an address lookup tool at <http://www.region2coastal.com/sandy/table>
 Information on understanding your BFE is available here:
http://www.region2coastal.com/understanding_the_data

Homeowners with substantial damage have four years to become compliant with the new standards and elevations; insurance rates won't be calculated off the new maps until they've been finalized after a period of public review and commenting.

- **Flood Insurance Hotline**

The new hotline for questions about National Flood Insurance Program rates is 877-287-9804. Information on rates is based on the newly released (6/17/2013) National Flood Insurance Program Preliminary Work Maps for Monmouth, Hudson, Atlantic and Ocean counties. The map for your address can be found with the address lookup tool at <http://www.region2coastal.com/sandy/table> by doing an address search, then clicking on the "Link to Preliminary Work Map PDF" on the results page.

- **Ocean County Government's Updates on the Emergency** including Barrier Island Information and other specific Ocean County recovery resources, local human needs assistance sites, advice on charitable giving and donations, hiring contractors, Small Business Administration assistance, and more.
<http://www.co.ocean.nj.us/frmEmergencyInfo.aspx>

- **Ocean County Health Department Services**

The Ocean County Health Department website <http://www.ochd.org/> has information on services, programs and resources both from the health department and from other health related agencies.

- **Ocean County Long Term Recovery Group**

A source for help, places to donate or volunteer and find out about community initiatives. Long Term Recovery Groups, also known as LTRGs, often become involved when personal resources, insurance and government grants or loans are not sufficient to meet the needs of disaster survivors. LTRGs identify long term recovery needs of individuals and families, utilize community volunteers and assist in determining the best recovery strategies. Ocean County LTRG: Visit www.oceancountyltrg.org , email: info@OceanCountyLTRG.org or call (732) 569-3484.

- **O.C.E.A.N., Inc. Sandy Homeowner Renter Assistance Program (SHRAP)**

The Sandy Homeowner/Renter Assistance Program (SHRAP) is a temporary relief program to assist individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis resulting from Superstorm Sandy. The expense must be a direct result of the disaster.

Services include:

- Case Management Services
- Housing (Rent or Mortgage) and Security Deposits
- Utility Payments
- Replacement of essential items such as furniture, household items and appliances

The SHRAP Worksheet <http://oceaninc.org/SHRAPPROGRAMWORKSHEET.pdf>

If you have any questions regarding the SHRAP Program, applications are being accepted at the following O.C.E.A.N., Inc. SHRAP Offices:

S&F Plaza
 2008 Rt. 37 East, Suite 12
 Toms River, NJ 08753
 Phone (732) 288-7913

O.C.E.A.N., Inc.
 Ocean County Southern Service Center
 179 South Main Street (Route 9)
 Manahawkin, NJ 08050
 Phone: (609) 978-6283

Lions Head Office Park
 35 Beaverson Blvd. Bldg. 3 Suite E
 Brick, NJ 08723
 Phone: (732) 477-5260

Additional Locations outside of Ocean County can be found here:

http://www.nj.gov/humanservices/dfd/programs/shrap/shrap_providers_041114.pdf

- **O.C.E.A.N., Inc. Community Partners Outreach & Recovery Fund**

O.C.E.A.N., Inc. will provide community improvement and revitalization to the households of Ocean County residents who were affected by Superstorm Sandy. O.C.E.A.N., Inc. will provide these services to the residents who are at 100% to 225% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. If you require assistance with your heating system, please contact their Weatherization Department directly at 22 Hyers Street in Toms River, NJ 08753, 732- 244-8176. An application for Superstorm Sandy assistance can be obtained at the following address:

O.C.E.A.N., Inc. Community Partners Outreach and Recovery Fund
 40 Washington Street; P.O. Box 1029
 Toms River, NJ 08754-1029
 732- 244-5333 <http://oceaninc.org/> Hours: Mon to Fri 8:30am – 4:30 pm

O.C.E.A.N., Inc. Community Partners Outreach and Recovery Fund is requesting that cash contributions to aid in their efforts to help Ocean County be sent to them at the address above.

- **Sandy House in a Box**

The 2014 Diocesan Hurricane Relief Program now includes the “**House in a Box**” Project. It supplies household furnishings for victims of Hurricane Sandy. The furnishings are available for those who had a Monmouth or Ocean County address prior to the storm. This program will provide a complete package of beds, mattresses, linens, furniture, and kitchen household items. If you, your family or friends can benefit from this program, please call the Saint Vincent de Paul hotline at 732-269-2208 Ext. 134 for more details.

- **Ramp Rebuild, Replacement and Installation Program**

To be eligible, applicants must provide proof of loss or need, and present a medical certification confirming the presence of a disability that requires a ramp. Money from a federal Social Services Block Grant (SSBG), administered through the New Jersey Department of Human Services' (DHS) Division of Disability Services is available. Individuals interested in applying for the Ramp Rebuild, Replacement and Installation Program can call DDS at 1-888-285-3036. Ramps will be built for eligible applicants until the \$2.89 million dollar funding is exhausted.

<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/news/press/2013/approved/20131025.html>

- **Home Repair & Mold Awareness**

See the Ocean County Library Document [Cleaning up and Repairing your Storm Damaged Home](#) on the library's website for more information on mold, clean safety and environmental issues and volunteer help. <http://tinyurl.com/oclclean614>

The New Jersey Health Department's useful guide, **Mold: Guidelines for New Jersey Residents** can be found here:

http://www.nj.gov/health/ceohs/documents/mold_guidelines_booklet.pdf

Home Improvement Reference Center

Free detailed, user-friendly "how-to" information about home improvements and repairs. HIRC database includes magazine articles and reference content as well as videos and images designed to help homeowners tackle home repairs safely. Find step-by-step information along with background information and basic tips on topics including electrical, plumbing, woodworking, outdoor projects, maintenance and decorating. Free access is provided by the New Jersey State Library. Go to Ocean County Library's list of databases http://theoceancountylibrary.org/researchinfo/resources_all.htm and look for Home Improvement Reference Center. To use this at home, you will need your library barcode number.

- **License Check for Home Improvement/Repair Professionals**

Check that your contractor, plumber, electrician, architect, engineer, etc. has a current NJ license at <https://newjersey.mylicense.com/verification/>. You might have to search both under a person's name and the business name.

Hiring Home Improvement Contractors, a guide from the State of New Jersey, includes tips on hiring and licensing board information for home improvement professions including engineers, architects and home improvement contractors. It also includes how to complain to the State of NJ. <http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/brief/improve.pdf>

Beware of Fraudulent Home Repair Contractors, another publication, includes tips from the State of New Jersey on what to look for before hiring a contractor.

<http://www.nj.gov/lps/ca/erdos/contractors.htm>

- **Property insurance claims**

Find information from NJ Department of Banking and Insurance on Sandy Claims.

<http://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/552012/approved/20121031l.html>

The New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance has established a voluntary mediation program to resolve claim disputes between insurers and New Jersey policyholders involving claims against homeowners, automobile and commercial insurance policies as a result of Storm Sandy. For information on the Storm Sandy Insurance Mediation Program at the State of New Jersey Department of Banking and Insurance: http://www.state.nj.us/dobi/division_consumers/insurance/sandymediation.html

- **Clean Up Assistance**

Start by calling 211 or 1-877-652-1148. NJ 211 and the Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters are trying to keep track of all the volunteer efforts to help with clean outs, gutting, etc. No cost help in cleaning up is available for the elderly, disabled and those needing extra help.

- **Financial services** – HOPE Coalition America offers free financial services including insurance claims assistance, referrals to government and private agencies, home inspections and repair contracts, paying a mortgage on a destroyed home, recovery seminars and more. For assistance call 1-888-388-HOPE (4673) or go to www.OperationHOPE.org.

- **Legal Assistance**

Legal Services of New Jersey hotline: 1- 888-222-5765 is for available for financially eligible people needing legal help dealing with Sandy-related civil legal issues. Services are provided free or on a sliding charge by attorneys. Visit their website for more information: <http://www.lsnjlaw.org/Pages/Hurricane-Sandy-Information.aspx>

Young Lawyers Division of the New Jersey Bar Association's toll-free hotline, 1-888-541-1900, is also available for New Jersey survivors facing legal issues because of Hurricane Sandy. Disaster survivors with storm-related legal issues can call the hotline to request free legal assistance. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, voice mail may be left when the office is not staffed.

The type of legal assistance available from the Young Lawyers Division includes: assistance with replacing legal documents that may have been lost due to flooding, assistance with life, medical and property insurance-related claims, assistance in consumer protection matters, remedies, and procedures, counseling on mortgage-foreclosure problems, counseling on landlord/tenant problems, creditor-debtor matters and FEMA appeals. Callers will be interviewed to determine what help they need and then will be matched with a volunteer attorney who can provide assistance or general legal information regarding their issue. *When calling, survivors should make clear that they are seeking legal assistance related to Hurricane Sandy.* The hotline is part of a long-standing partnership between FEMA and the American Bar Association.

- **Replacing Important Documents Damaged by Hurricane Sandy** – need to replace official documents like deeds, licenses, Social Security cards? Information, links, phone numbers and how get replacement copies is available through an Ocean County Library guide: <http://tinyurl.com/oclstorm424>

- **Complaints**

Insurance Companies - contact the NJ Department of Banking and Insurance

<http://www.nj.gov/dobi/consumer.htm>

Utilities (gas/electric/water/telephone) - contact the NJ Board of Public Utilities

<http://www.state.nj.us/bpu/assistance/index.html>

Consumer Fraud/Price Gouging - contact the NJ Division of Consumer Affairs

<http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/comp.htm>

- **Small Business**

Community Development Block Grants - Disaster Recovery Action Plan

Programs include small business grants, no interest loans, micro-loans, loan guarantees and more. **Please be advised that the new application deadline for the Stronger NJ Business Grant Program has expired as of December 31, 2013.**

<http://application.njeda.com/strongernjbusiness/>

Call the business assistance hotline numbers 1-855-SANDYBZ (1-855-726-3929).

Small Business Administration (SBA)

Businesses affected by the hurricane should have started by registering with FEMA.

Businesses and non-profit organizations of any size may borrow up to \$2 million to repair or replace damaged or destroyed real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory, and other business assets. Applicants may apply online using the Electronic Loan Application (ELA) via SBA's secure website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela> On the regular SBA website at www.sba.gov follow the links for Disaster Assistance and Disaster Recovery Loans.

The deadline to return applications for physical property damage was May 1, 2013.

The deadline to return economic injury applications was July 31, 2013.

For more information, call 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing).

- **IRS tax relief for victims of Hurricane Sandy**

Basic information about extended deadlines and other disaster related IRS tax relief

<http://www.irs.gov/uac/Newsroom/Tax-Relief-for-Victims-of-Hurricane-Sandy-in-New-Jersey>

More information about the IRS and people in federally declared disaster areas:

<http://www.irs.gov/uac/Tax-Relief:-Presidentially-Declared-Disaster-Areas>

Some related forms and publications depending on specific situations:

- IRS Disaster Resource Guide (Publication 2194) <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p2194.pdf>
- Form 4684: Casualties and Thefts <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f4684.pdf>
- Instructions for Form 4684 <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/i4684.pdf>
- Publication 547: Casualties, Disasters, and Thefts <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p547.pdf>

- Publication 547 (Spanish) Hechos Fortuitos, Desastres y Robos <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p547sp.pdf>
- Publication 551: Basis of Assets <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p551.pdf>
- Publication 584 Casualty, Disaster, and Theft Loss Workbook (personal property use) <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p584.pdf>
- Publication 584 (Spanish) Registro de Perdidas por Hechos Fortuitos (Imprevistos), Desastres y Robos (Propiedad de Uso Personal) <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p584sp.pdf>
- Publication 584B Business Casualty, Disaster, and Theft Loss Workbook <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p584b.pdf>

- **Automobiles – Flood damaged**

In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, the State Motor Vehicle Commission (MVC) has issued flood and salvage titles to thousands of vehicles that were damaged by the storm. Search their online database to find vehicles issued salvage or flood titles since October 30, 2012. <http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/floodedcars/>

- **Boating Safety After Sandy**

For waterway debris removal information, the NJ State Department of Environmental Protection has a website: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/special/hurricane-sandy/wwdebris.htm>. It includes weekly reports, Frequently Asked Questions for boaters and more.

If you should see debris or shoaling while traversing on New Jersey waters please call:
1-877- WARNDEP (1-877-927-6337)

For inquiries regarding waterway debris, please email: waterwaydebris@dep.state.nj.us

- **Museums, Cultural Organizations, Non-Profits**

Look at the [Guide to Navigating Federal Emergency Management Agency and Small Business Administration Disaster Aid for Cultural Institutions](https://www.heritagepreservation.org/federal/Index.html) <https://www.heritagepreservation.org/federal/Index.html>

- **Disaster Crisis Counseling:**

NJ Hope and Healing is a project sponsored by the New Jersey Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Disaster and Terrorism Branch, through a FEMA grant. In partnership with Barnabas Health Institute for Prevention, NJ Hope and Healing offers support to communities in the aftermath of Sandy. NJ Hope and Healing's toll free helpline, call 877-294-4357. This is free counseling to help with the emotional response to the storm. A TTY line is available for the deaf and hearing impaired at (877) 294-4356. www.disastermentalhealthnj.com

Counselors from NJ Hope and Healing offer emotional support, information and referral, resources with the goal of empowering storm survivors to rebuild normalcy back into their lives. Throughout the Autumn of 2013, these counselors will be available at several branch locations of Ocean County Library. Find the exact locations and times on the library's online Calendar of Events or call your local library for information.

Disaster Distress Hotline from the Mental Health Services Administration:

Toll Free 1-800-985-5990 or text "TalkWithUs" to 66746

Suggestions for coping: <http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmhs/disaster/>

Free Trauma Counseling for Families Impacted by Superstorm Sandy

The Children's Home Society of NJ offers free confidential counseling to adults and children in the Monmouth and Ocean County area who are suffering from the lingering effects of Hurricane Sandy.

The Children's Home Society of NJ

1433 Hooper Avenue, Suite 340, Toms River, NJ 08753

(732) 557-5037, fax (732) 557-5078, www.chsofnj.org

Hours: Monday – Friday 9am-5pm, Evenings by Appointment

Superstorm Sandy Resiliency Project

SPAN has received a grant for the next two years by the New Jersey Department of Health to provide intensive assistance to families of children with special needs in the counties hit hardest by Superstorm Sandy.

<http://www.spanadvocacy.org/content/superstorm-sandy-resiliency-project>

- **Talking to kids about the storm and helping families cope:**

A collection of resources gathered by the CDC: <http://www.bt.cdc.gov/mentalhealth/>

Elmo talked about the hurricane on the radio in New York:

<http://www.wnyc.org/shows/bl/2012/oct/30/elmo-explains-hurricane-sandy/>

Sesame Street gets through a Hurricane – watch the episodes together as Big Bird deals with the aftermath of a hurricane

<http://www.sesamestreet.org/parents/theshow/episodes/the-hurricane>

Find information and resources for families affected by autism:

<http://www.autismspeaks.org/news/news-item/autism-speaks-responds-hurricane-sandy>

- **Social Media Outlets:**

Jersey Shore Hurricane News:

<http://www.facebook.com/JerseyShoreHurricaneNews?ref=stream>

JSHN covers breaking news, traffic, and weather. "News you can use." JSHN is a community resource tracking all sorts of information useful for hurricane recovery. Have an urgent tip? Email jerseyshorehurricanenews@gmail.com or text (908-565-4270)

The Asbury Park Press has a main page for current and past coverage of Hurricane Sandy that can be found at <http://www.app.com/section/special16>

Try searching in Twitter (<http://twitter.com/search>) or Facebook with a town name or checking individual town websites for events and help for hurricane survivors.

- **Shelter, Food & Supplies:**

Shelter

If you have questions about FEMA's temporary housing assistance, contact FEMA's toll-free helpline by phone or 711/VRS at 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 1-800-462-7585.

Food

There are many local efforts to help with food, supplies and shelter but what is available and when changes quickly. The Asbury Park Press and local Patch sites as well as social media like Twitter and Facebook are listing different volunteer and nonprofit efforts. Check this document under Social Media for links to those sources of information.

Need emergency food? Contact the FoodBank of Monmouth & Ocean Counties at 732-918-2600 or see their list of places for assistance in Ocean County <http://www.foodbankmoc.org/>

Ocean County Hunger Relief provides emergency food assistance for the needy people of Ocean County. The food package provided is intended as a stop gap measure, to give people time to obtain help from family, friends or social service agencies. Call 732-505-HELP. <http://www.ochungerrelief.org/>

People's Pantry was created by Toms River Regional Schools to distribute all the donations to the school's relief effort for storm victims. Storm victims are invited to visit the People's Pantry for food, supplies, and clothing. Please have an address in one of the affected areas. <http://www.trschools.com/hurricanereliefresources/Pantry.asp> Visit their Facebook page Peoples Pantry <http://www.facebook.com/pages/The-Peoples-Pantry/125076247648855?ref=ts&fref=ts> for the list of current items needed and a list of hours. 943 Fischer Blvd., Toms River, NJ 08753 732- 267-5920

Supplies

Northern Ocean Habitat for Humanity is accepting all vouchers from FEMA for supplies like **furniture and blankets** (no clothes or food). They have received new linens, blankets, sheets, and comforters from Fashion Delivers; a non-profit that takes new products donated by manufacturers and retailers and gives them to charities across the country following a natural disaster. They are for the victims of Hurricane Sandy. Linens are available on a first-come basis with proper FEMA documentation and can be picked up at:

Habitat for Humanity ReStore
 1201 New Jersey 166
 Toms River
 (732) 818-9500
 Hours Monday – Saturday 10am – 4pm 703-684-5500

The Salvation Army is providing food, **clean-up kits**, as well as emotional and spiritual care.

- **Missing Pets**

If your pet is microchipped, contact your vet to see if they know the company and your pet's number if they implanted the microchip. Vets can go to Pet Microchip <http://www.petmicrochiplookup.org/> to find an owner's contact information. Make sure you update your current contact information with your pet's microchip company.

Your pet may have ended up farther away than you think due to injury, etc. Try the following suggestions and remember to leave your name, current address, a phone number where you can be reached and a description of your pet.

Hurricane Sandy: Lost & Found Pets - <https://www.facebook.com/SandysPets>
Photos of lost or found pets in the areas affected by Sandy, as well as postings of animal shelters in need

Hurricane Sandy Animals: www.facebook.com/hurricanesandyanimal
Photos of lost and found animals plus delivering food supplies to individuals and groups, working with rescues to help foster and shelter the animals displaced by the storm. The group works out of Red Bank.

If your pet became lost during the storm you should call first call your local and neighboring township Animal Control Officer. Also call the shelters in case your pet ended up a further away from home.

- **Foster a Pet**

Seer Farm provides extended emergency care for animals of families that are dealing with a natural disaster or other life crises. <http://seerfarms.org/> info@seerfarms.org
PO Box 91
Jackson NJ 08527
Phone: (732) 928-1804

Please call Ocean County Library at 732-349-6200 or 609-971-0514 with any questions. Our trained reference staff will do their best to help.

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