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Message from
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Dear Neighbor,

We are continuing to pick up the pieces in the devastating wake of Superstorm Sandy. For everyone who was affected, these last weeks have been a challenging and difficult time. They have also been another test of our community's unity and resiliency, and I am pleased to report that we are meeting all expectations that we will come back stronger than ever.

Making this happen, however, requires access to the right resources. Helping our community get through this crisis has been an important part of my duties as an elected official. This newsletter is a continuation of the emergency resource guide I prepared shortly after Sandy hit. While the first guide addressed residents' and businesses' most critical short-term needs, this new publication includes important information – including phone numbers and websites – designed not only for right now but the long term. I hope it helps bring the recovery process to fruition and see your life and livelihood return to normal.

Please remember that my office continues to serve as a primary resource for recovery. We've fielded literally hundreds of phone calls relating to Sandy and helped residents and businesses throughout our community to connect with the help they need. Feel free to call us at (718) 743-4078, email cymbros@assembly.state.ny.us or visit my temporary district office at 2658 Coney Island Avenue (between Avenues W and X). We're open Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Fridays until 5 p.m.

Assemblyman Steven Cymbrowitz 1800 Sheepshead Bay Road Brooklyn, NY 11235 718-743-4078 Let's all continue to work together.

Sincerely,

Steven Cymbrowitz (Member of Assembly

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- DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER:
 10 Bouck Court (between W. 3rd St. and Shell Rd., 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Mon. - Sat.
- 2. FREE LEGAL SERVICES: For low-income disaster victims through the Young Lawyers Division of the American Bar Association. 800-699-5636 or www.americanbar.org/groups/young lawyers/disaster legal services.html
- CABLEVISION: 914-777-9000 or www.optimum.net
- VERIZON FIOS: 800-837-4966 or www.verizon.com/outage
- NATIONAL GRID: www.nationalgridus.com for storm-related information, including service credit.
- CON ED: 800-752-6633 or www.coned.com
- 7. FEMA DISASTER ASSISTANCE: 800-621-3362 or www.disasterassistance.gov
- 8. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: For small businesses/condo associations. 800-659-2955 or www.sba.gov. Deadlines extended: 1/13/13 for homeowners, renters & business owners with physical damage; 7/31/13 for economic injury losses.
- 9. INSURANCE QUESTIONS / PROBLEMS: NYS DEPT. OF FINANCIAL SERVICES' 24-HOUR HOTLINE: 800-339-1759
- 10. FEDERAL DISASTER UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE: www.DisasterAssistance.gov or call FEMA at 800-621-3362. Deadline is February 4, 2013.

- 11. NYS DEPARTMENT OF LABOR DISASTER UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE: Call the Telephone Claims Center at 888-209-8124. Deadline is February 4, 2013.
- 12. NYC DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS: DOB is waiving application/permit fees for work done on storm-damaged buildings. http://www.nyc.gov/html/dob/downloads/pdf/fee_exempt_hurricane_work.pdf
- 13. NYC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: Business Solutions Center at 9 Bond Street, 5th Floor, or www.nycedc.com or 347-296-8021.
- **14.** FOR BUSINESS OWNERS/LANDLORDS: www.nyc.gov/nycbusiness.
- 15. HOMEOWNERS/RENTERS:
 Low-interest loans or refinance a mortgage.
 http://www.sba.gov/content/fact-sheethomeowners-and-renters
- 16. NEW YORK BANKERS ASSOCIATION AND NEW YORK BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: Business owners loans. www.esd.ny.gov or 855-NYS-SANDY. www.nyhumanities.org/grants/recovery12.php



Steven Cymbrowitz: Always Working to Protect the People of His District