

New Jersey Hurricane Sandy: November 1, 2012

Sandy wrought the worst destruction on the seaboard of two states. New Jersey was one, and miles of homes and businesses were devastated in a series of towns. Some remained inundated with water or sand washed up by the storm. The neighboring state of New York had the highest death toll in the storm. The state got personal attention from the White House, as Obama toured storm-damaged areas Wednesday.

Sandy killed at least six people in the state, said Gov. Chris Christie, who warned people in low-lying areas to evacuate. "We're lucky that more people didn't die as a result of folks ignoring those warnings."

Some 500,000 gallons of diesel fuel will be delivered to the state by Thursday night to run trucks and generators at nursing homes, hospitals and other high-priority locations, he said. State offices will be open Thursday.

Residents not cleaning up damage to their property spent much of their time Wednesday standing in line -- at gasoline stations, stores and restaurants.

Transportation is coming back on line, the governor's office said. The majority of major closed roads have been cleared, Gov. Chris Christie said.

By Thursday, all airports should reopen, but service in some is limited. Air Train service to Newark International is running again but is still down to JFK.

All but one tunnel into New York City are open. Only the Holland Tunnel is still closed.

Ferry service to New York has also resumed.

Buses hit the streets again on 86 routes Thursday, according to NJ Transit. But light rail resumes on only one route and major rail service is down until further notice. The transit authority has posted dramatic photos of storm damage on its rail lines to its website.

Amtrak said it would provide Northeast Regional service on Thursday between Boston and New Haven, Connecticut, and between Newark and points south.

PATH train service, which typically ferries 245,000 people under the Hudson River to New York City each weekday, is suspended until further notice.

Source: <http://www.cnn.com/2012/10/31/us/tropical-weather-state-by-state/index.html>

To Get Help

- > United Way, Dial 2-1-1 or visit <http://nj211.org/>
- > New Jersey Office of Emergency Management: (609) 882-2000; <http://www.ready.nj.gov/>
 - Please click on the following web link to view all the evacuation routes by county:
<http://www.state.nj.us/njoem/plan/evacuation-routes.html>
- > NJ Department of Health and Senior Services: (609) 292-7837; Toll-free in NJ: 1-800-367-6543;
<http://www.state.nj.us/health/>
- > American Red Cross

[American Red Cross of Camden and Burlington Counties](#)

[American Red Cross of Central New Jersey](#)

[American Red Cross of Northern New Jersey](#)

[Jersey Coast Chapter](#)

[New Jersey Crossroads](#)

[Southern Shore Chapter](#)

[South Jersey Chapter](#)

- Find other local Red Crosses by visiting <http://www.redcross.org/cgi-bin/chapts-new.asp>
- Shelter Locator: <http://app.redcross.org/nss-app/>
- > Federal Department of Homeland Security: <http://www.dhs.gov/index.shtm>
- > National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- > FEMA Disaster Assistance Hotline: (800) 621-FEMA / TTY (800) 462-7585 or www.disasterassistance.gov
- > Crisis Map: <http://google.org/crisismap/2012-sandy>

Evacuation Orders Issued

- > All NJ barrier islands from Sandy Hook to Cape May by 4:00 pm Sunday
- > Atlantic County - all Atlantic City casinos closed as of 4:00 pm Sunday. Atlantic City, Avalon, Long Port, Margate City, Brigantine, Ventor City
- > Bergen County - Garfield OEM has asked residents along the Passaic River to prepare to evacuate before the storm hits. Call the OEM at 973.478.8500 with contact information when you leave.
- > Cape May County - Cape May City, Wildwood, North Wildwood, Wildwood Crest, Sea Isle City, Ocean City, Stone Harbor, Strathmere
- > Ocean County - All of Long Beach Island including; Barnegat Light, Beach Haven, Surf City, Harvey Cedars, Ship Bottom, Long Beach Township, and Bay Head, Berkeley Twp (on island), Brick Twp (on island), Lavallette, Mantoloking, Seaside Heights, Seaside Park, Toms River Twp (on island)

Shelters

@femaregion2: Text SHELTER + your ZIP code to 43362 (4FEMA) to find the nearest shelter in your area. Standard text rates apply.

County	Shelter	Additional Notes
Atlantic	Buena Middle School 175 Weymouth Road	Shelter will open on Sunday morning, approximately 8 AM depending on staffing availability. Pet Friendly Shelter - animals must be in carriers or on leashes with a supply of food and necessities
	Buena Regional High School 125 Weymouth Road	Shelter will open on Sunday morning, approximately 8 AM depending on staffing availability. Pet Friendly Shelter - animals must be in carriers or on leashes with a supply of food and necessities; NOW CLOSED - FILLED TO CAPACITY
	Pleasantville High School 701 Mill Road	Shelter will open on Sunday morning, approximately 8 AM depending on staffing availability.
	Pleasantville Middle School 801 Mill Road	Shelter will open on Sunday morning, approximately 8 AM depending on staffing availability.
	St. Augustine Preparatory High School 611 Cedar Avenue, Richland	Shelter will open on Sunday morning, approximately 8 AM depending on staffing availability. Medical Needs Shelter - Restricted to those who need continuous supervised medical care; Pet Friendly as well
Bergen	Little Ferry, Margaret of Cartona Parish on Chamberlain Ave.	Open to Borough residents 10 am Monday, 10.29.12
		County will open shelters as need arises. Contact Bergen County OEM at 201.785.5757 if you are in need of emergency shelter.
Burlington	Florence, Fountain of Life - Life Center	Open by 7:00 am on 10.29.12
	Medford, Chairsille School	Open at 7:00 am on 10.29.12

	Palmyra Community Center, Palmyra	Open by 7:00 am on 10.29.12
Camden	Creative Arts Morgan Village Academy, 990 Morgan Blvd.	Opens at 4:00 pm on 10.28.12
	Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC), 1602 Pine St.	Opens at 4:00 pm on 10.28.12
	H.B. Wilson Elementary School, 2250 South 8th St.	Opens at 4:00 pm on 10.28.12
	Octavius V. Catto Community School 3100 Westfield Ave.	Opens at 4:00 pm on 10.28.12
	Thomas H. Dudley Elementary School, 2250 Berwick St.	Opens at 4:00 pm on 10.28.12
	Isabel Miller Community Center, 8th St. and Carl Miller Blvd.	Opens at 7:00 pm on 10.28.12
	Malandra Hall Community Center, New Jersey and Merrimac Roads	Opens at 7:00 pm on 10.28.12
	North Camden Community Center, 6th and Erie St.	Opens at 7:00 pm on 10.28.12
Cape May	Marmora, Upper Township Elementary School 50 Old Tuckahoe Road	
	Petersburg, Upper Township Middle School 525 Perry Road	
	Woodbine Developmental Center 1175 DeHirsch Road,	
	409 Breakwater Road Tomwar Building in the Cape May County Airport Complex.	This is an animal shelter
Cumberland	Bridgeton, Buckshutem School 550 Buckshutem Road	Will open at 4:00 pm 10.28.12
	Rosenhayn, Cumberland County Vo-Tech 601 Rosenhayn Avenue	Will open at 4:00 pm 10.28.12
	Vineland, Cumberland County College 3322 College Drive,	Will open at 4:00 pm 10.28.12; Will accept pets

Essex	Newark	Newark's Non-Emergency Call Center will be operational beginning at 6 p.m., on Sunday, Oct. 28, and will remain open until further notice. Residents can report hurricane-related incidents or concerns to (973) 733-4311.
Gloucester	West Deptford High School 1600 Old Crown Point Rd	Open 8 am Monday 10.29.12
Middlesex	Get updates on County hurricane response and phone numbers for each town in the county at the Middlesex County website .	
	Carteret Middle School, 220 Carteret Ave	Open 6 a.m. Monday, 10.29.12
	Carteret, Nathan Hale School, Haywood & Roosevelt	Open 6 a.m. Monday, 10.29.12
	East Brunswick, Reception Center, Trinity Presbyterian Church on Cranbury Road	Open Sunday, 10.28.12 at 8:00 pm
	Edison Senior Center, 2963 Woodbridge Ave.	Open Sunday, 10.28.12 at 8:00 pm
	Milltown, Reception Center, Firehouses on Cottage Ave. and South Main St.	
	New Brunswick, Elijah Formance 18 Neilson St	NOW CLOSED - FILLED TO CAPACITY
	Old Bridge Shelter, Carl Sandburg School, 3439 Route 516	Open Sunday, 10.28.12
	Sayreville, Senior Citizens Center, 425 Main St.	Open 8 am Monday 10.29.12
	Woodbridge Community Center, 600 Main St.	Open Sunday, 10.28.12 at 10:00 pm
Monmouth	West Long Branch Monmouth University 400 Cedar Ave	
Morris	Madison Ambulance Building, 29 Prospect St., Madison	
	Denville Twp, Morris Knolls High School, 50 Knoll Dr., Rockaway	Open as a shelter for pets and their owners. The animal must have a crate, at least 3 days food, water and medications, and the owner MUST stay with the animal. Please contact them at 973-980-8866 for more information.
Ocean	Brick Township Memorial High School, 2001 Lanes Mill Road	
	Brick Township High School, 346 Chambers Bridge Road	
	Brick, Drum Point Road School, 41 Drum Point	

	Road	
	Emma Havens School, 43 Drum Point Road	
	Lake Riviera Middle School, Beaverson Boulevard, Brick	
	Brick, Lanes Mill School, 1891 Lanes Mill Road	
	Brick, Midstreams School, 500 Midstreams Road	
	Brick, Veterans Memorial School, Hendrickson Avenue	
	Brick, Veterans Memorial Middle School, Harrison Avenue	
	Jackson, Carl Goetz School, Patterson Road	
	Jackson, Christa McAuliffe Middle School, 35 Hope Chapel Road	
	Jackson Memorial High School, Coventry Road	
	Jackson, Rosenaur School, 25 Citadel Drive	
	Lakewood, Clifton Avenue School, Clifton Avenue	
	Lakewood, Ella Clarke School, Manetta Avenue	
	Lakewood High School, East 7th Street & Somerset Avenue	
	Lakewood Middle School, East 7th Street & Somerset Avenue	
	Lakewood, Spruce Street School, Spruce Street	
	Little Egg Harbor, Pineland Middle School	Opens 10.28.12 at 8pm; This is a pet friendly shelter.
	Manahawkin, Southern Regional High School, 90 Cedar Bridge Road	Opens 10.28.12 at noon; No Pets
	New Egypt High School, 117 Evergreen Road	
	New Egypt Middle School, 115 Evergreen Road	
	New Egypt School, 44 N. Main Street	

	Point Pleasant, Memorial School, Laura Herbert Drive	
	Point Pleasant High School, Laura Herbert Drive	
	Toms River, North High School/ Pine Belt Arena 1245 Old Freehold Rd.	Opens 10.28.12 at 4pm; This is a pet friendly shelter.
	Tuckerton Elementary School, Marine Street	
	Tuckerton, Pineland Regional Junior High School 590 Nugentown Road	
Passaic	City of Passaic	Call Passaic Police Department 973.365.3900 if you are in need of emergency shelter
	Paterson	Visit the Paterson website for information about hurricane response; Hurricane Sandy emergency Hot Line # 973.321.1382; Check for important alerts via 1640 AM; Raw sewage is expected – DO NOT swim in or drink Passaic River water
	Paterson, International High School, Grand Street	Bring picture ID, blankets, medications, clothing changes for at minimum two (2) days
	Pompton Lakes	Visit Pompton Lakes website for hurricane updates
	Ringwood	Updates to town response and recovery on Ringwood Police Dept. Facebook page .
	Wayne	Shelters will open as need arises. Check the Wayne Township website for updates on all flood related issues.
Salem	Carneys Point, Salem Community College 460 Hollywood Ave	Opens 10.28.12 6:00 pm

To find a shelter, people can download the Red Cross Hurricane app, visit the Red Cross web site, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767), or check local media outlets. They should also register on the Red Cross Safe and Well website, a secure and easy-to-use online tool that helps families connect during emergencies. To register, visit www.redcross.org or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767). This site also connects with the Twitter and Facebook accounts of users.

Transportation

For more details and up-to-date information, please visit <http://www.njtransit.com>.

Every airline has issued a flexible travel policy that allows customers to make changes to their reservations with no penalty. Check your individual carrier's homepage for details. The offers cover passengers flying in or out of just about any airport from Latin America to New Hampshire. Most waivers for travel in the Northeast are only valid Monday through Wednesday.

Passengers are urged to not come to local airport unless your flight has been confirmed. If your flight was canceled, please call your airline's customer service telephone number or rebook through your airline's website.

Flight delay information: <http://www.flightstats.com/go/Home/home.do>

Road Conditions

Call 511: The Department of Transportation offers its free 511 service for travel information and roadway conditions, including road and bridge closures, toll suspensions and major evacuation routes.

- > www.511nj.org
- > New Jersey Department of Transportation: (856) 486-6600; <http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/>

Power Outages

To report an outage, call:

- > Jersey Central Power & Light
 - (888)-LIGHTSS (888-544-4877)
 - https://www.firstenergycorp.com/content/customer/jersey_central_power_light.html
- > PSE&G
 - (800) 436-7734
 - <http://www.pseg.com/>

School and Business Closures

Many schools and daycare centers have closed in advance of the storm. For a complete listing, please visit <http://nj1015.com/closings/>.

Additional Information

Hackensack Residents

The Atlantic Street parking garage will be made available to city residents in flood prone areas. This will remain open for the duration of this storm. Residents in known flood prone areas have been asked to voluntarily self evacuate to higher ground. It's recommended that they stay with friends and family.

New Brunswick Residents

Free Parking for residents to move their cars to higher ground will be located at the Morris Street Parking deck; call 732-745-5200 for information.

Emotional Support

Crisis counselors will provide outreach and education services about coping with the emotional difficulties in the aftermath of emergencies such as these. Stress can surface in many forms and often appears weeks or months after a traumatic event. It may include anger, fatigue, loss of appetite, sleeplessness, nightmares, depression, inability to concentrate, hyperactivity and/or increased alcohol or drug use. If you or someone you know is experiencing distress or feeling overwhelmed by painful emotions related to recent events, call the New Jersey MentalHealthCares' Disaster Helpline: 1-877-294-4357 (HELP). A TTY line is available at (877) 294-4356. Translation services are available as well.

Red Cross Hurricane App

The free Red Cross Hurricane App for mobile devices is available and provides real-time hurricane safety information. You can use the app to receive weather alerts and get information on Red Cross shelters. The app also features a toolkit with a flashlight, strobe light and alarm, and the one-touch "I'm Safe" button lets someone use social media outlets to tell family and friends they are okay. The Hurricane App can be found in the Apple App Store and the Google Play Store for Android by searching for American Red Cross and is available in Spanish. Users just need to make sure the language setting on their smart phone is set to Spanish before downloading the app.

DisasterAssistance.gov

Website: www.disasterassistance.gov

This website, a program of the US government, can help you locate and apply for financial assistance following a disaster. Assistance may come from a variety of programs and organizations, including FEMA (the Federal Emergency Management Agency). Please visit the website and take the questionnaire to begin.

Social Media And Online Resources

- > [Gov. Chris Christie on Facebook](#)
- > [Gov. Chris Christie on Twitter](#)
- > [Gov. Chris Christie on YouTube](#)
- > [Mayor Cory A. Booker of Newark on Twitter](#)
- > [New Jersey Department of Emergency Management on Facebook](#)
- > [A breaking news Twitter account from The Record](#)
- > [The Star-Ledger on Twitter](#)
- > [The Asbury Park Press on Twitter](#)
- > [N.J. 101.5 News on Twitter](#)
- > [The Atlantic City Press on Twitter](#)