

Bergen County VOAD LTRC

60+ Participating Organizations

Sponsored by the Volunteer Center of Bergen County



The mission of the BC/VOAD Long Term Recovery Committee is to identify access, facilitate and provide resources to help meet the unmet needs of victims impacted by Hurricane Sandy in Bergen County, New Jersey.

NJ VOAD

14 LTRC groups



Monmouth



Cumberland



Atlantic City

Recovery Timeline

Hurricane Sandy

October 29, 2012

Bergen LTRC Convenes

November 2012

Outreach Volunteers Trained

January 2013

RIC opens

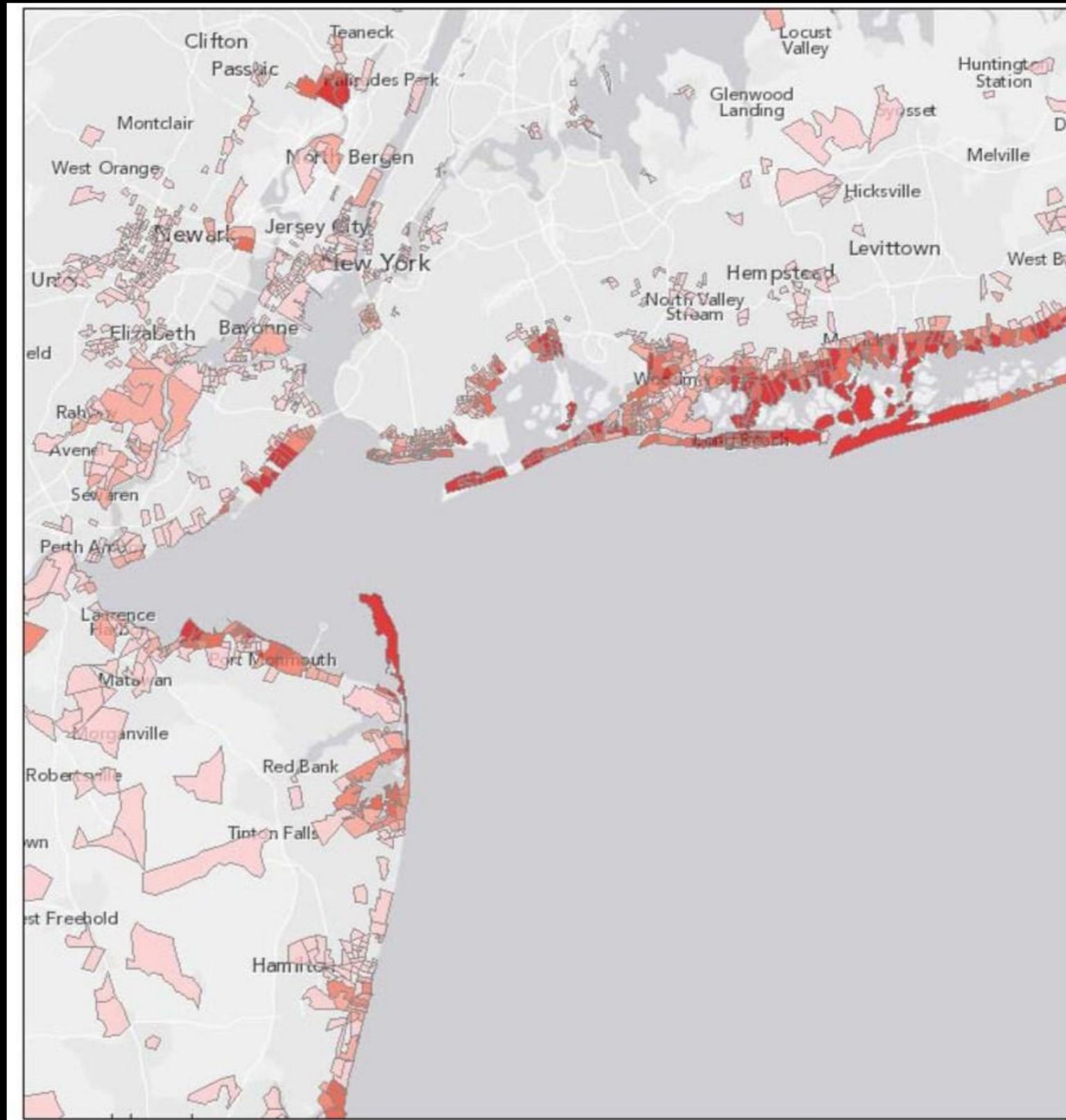
March 2013

Ongoing Process & Evolution

Phase Down (now)



Hurricane Sandy



Community Impact

In Bergen County

- over 2,000 residents are evacuated
- nearly 14,000 households register for FEMA assistance
- 3,790 households receive FEMA home repair assistance





The RIC

Hurricane Sandy Recovery Information Center

221 Moonachie Road, Mooachie

Walk-In Center – centralized intake



The Little White Church on Moonachie Road Weeds Your Help

The First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie is a very small congregation with a very large heart. Then came Sandy.

The sanctuary was untouched. But they had five feet of water in the Fellowship Hall used for their hospitality ministries and their work feeding hungry people with their monthly free lunch program.

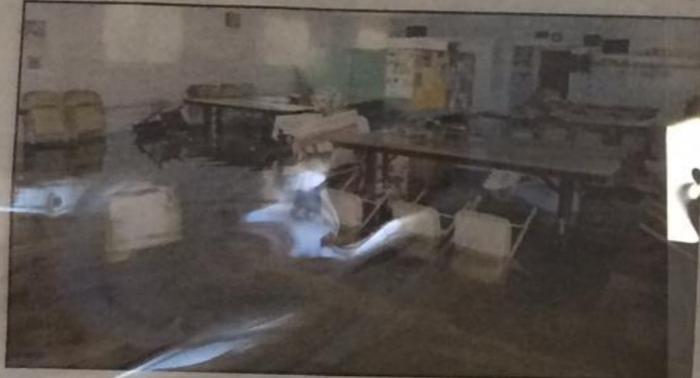
The sump pump did not work due to the loss of power and the water left via the toilet and out the drains.

They lost everything due to the corrosive salt water, to include their kitchen, 101 metal chairs, tables, hot water heater, furnace, etc.

They did not have flood insurance. FEMA would not help

because they are a non-profit organization. They need donations to get up and running to continue doing the service and ministries for the community.

Send donations to First Presbyterian Church of Moonachie, 1 Joseph Street, Moonachie, NJ 07074 c/o Elder John Huettemann. ###

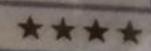


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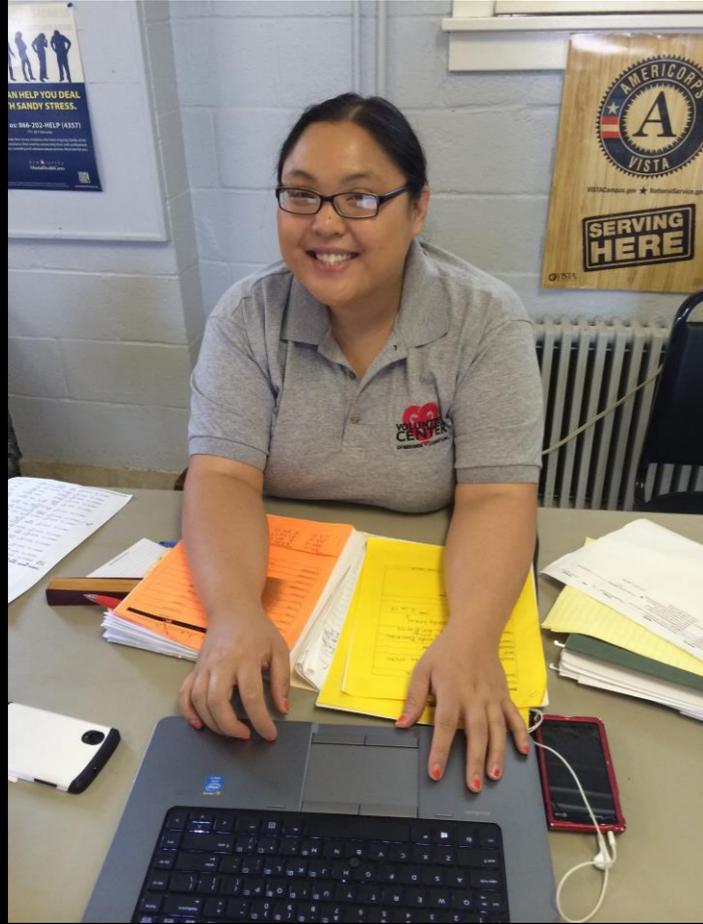
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Staff & Visitors



Meet Our Volunteers!

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS

Karen
 You will see Karen at the Sandy Recovery Center only on Saturdays, that is because she works full-time and is a full-time soccer Mom, too! But two full-time jobs do not deter Karen from volunteering to help Sandy survivors. Despite the hour-long drive from her home in **Hardwick** Karen has been consistently coming in for her Saturday "shifts".



Bobbie
 Bobbie who is from **Glen Rock** is one happy retiree who has been volunteering for us for over a year. As much as Bobbie loves our clients and interacting with them, she also thrives doing paperwork. Her being a perfectionist has helped us a lot in our hectic and sometimes complicated disaster recovery efforts.



Bergen VOAD/LTRC Statistics

- Households in case management: 1018 (2945 individuals)
- Closed cases: 436
- Households in SHRAP: 394 (1140 individuals)
- Major home repairs completed: 90
- Major home repairs in progress: 99
- Minor home repairs completed: 100
- Minor home repairs in progress: 37
- Home & mold inspections: 363
- Mold remediation completed: 257
- Mobile home insulation completed: 181

We cannot THANK YOU enough for all that you do!

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS

"Volunteers don't get paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are PRICELESS."

Joan
 Joan is our sweet volunteer SHRAP Assistant! She works for a medical device company in Moonachie and is from Wood-Ridge.



Natalia
 Natalia is our only volunteer from **Little Ferry** and is a Sandy survivor herself! She is a Humanities major at Fairleigh Dickinson University and also works at the Admissions Department there. Natalia spends whatever is left of her time crocheting really awesome stuff!



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Christine
 A customer service expert, Christine can make a very frustrated Sandy survivor happy just by her calming skills. Christine who is from **Hackensack** is skilled at dealing with people from all walks of life. We are so happy to have her volunteer for us every Tuesday.



Mimi
 Dr. Mimi Tauscher, who is from **Edgewater** is a retired professor of Computer Science. One of the happiest volunteers we have around, Mimi never fails to come to the Recovery Center with a big smile on her face which convinces us all that she is happy to volunteer and help the community.



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Patti
 Super Patti volunteers for us three days a week and never takes a vacation from her regular volunteer shift. Patti who is from **Leonia** is a devoted mother of three wonderful kids and wife to a very supportive husband, Danny.



Multi-tasker sans rival Patti helps us out a lot at the Recovery Information Center so much so that the Recovery Center runs better, and smoothly whenever Patti is volunteering for us.



Patti also makes sure that the RIC staff and fellow volunteers are well fed when she is around!

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS

"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world."

Irene
 Irene, a retired Social Worker, has volunteered for us since the early stages of the Sandy Recovery Information Center. She had witnessed the dynamic and ever-changing volunteer work at the RIC. Her flexibility with volunteer "work" has been blessing to our recovery efforts as she is able to help us in every aspect of our work. Irene is from **Hackensack**.



Steve and Micha
 Retired attorneys Steve and Micha volunteered for us for almost a year. Steve is from **Bloomfield** and Micha is from **Prospect Park**. Both are now pursuing other volunteer opportunities advocating for immigrants and the economically disadvantaged as we are winding down our work in Bergen County.



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"There's no such thing as a volunteer, those dedicated people who believe in all work and no pay."

Brianna
 Brianna is from **Palisades Park** and majors in Social Work at Bergen Community College. In addition to helping us out at the Hurricane Sandy Recovery Information Center, Brianna also holds a full-time job for a retailer in NYC. She is bi-lingual (Spanish/English).



Lizbeth
 Lizbeth is from **Clifton** and majors in Social Work from Bergen Community College. It is not enough for Lizbeth to volunteer at the Sandy Recovery Center, she also volunteers at the Volunteer Center of Bergen County translating documents to Spanish and following up with clients. She is looking to pursue her Bachelor's degree at Ramapo College.



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"No one is more charmed in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another. Thank you."

Paul
 Paul is one of our multi-lingual volunteers. He is an indispensable part of the RIC team assisting clients who have language barrier issues get the help they need. A very active member of the First Presbyterian Church, he helped the VOAD/LTRC get funding through a grant from the Presbytery. Paul currently teaches ESL in Hackensack after retiring as a tech executive. He is from **Ramsey**.



Lisa
 Lisa has been serving the community for over a year now. From **Ridgefield Park**, Lisa works in NYC full-time and volunteers for us full-time also (well, almost). She has been actively conducting community outreach bringing in Sandy survivors from other areas (include Moonachie and Little Ferry) who otherwise would not have come to Bergen VOAD/LTRC for assistance. Lisa is pictured here with her fellow volunteers.



Volunteers do not necessarily

Field Contacts

Case Management



NJ Department of Community Affairs

State Programs

Social Services Block Grant "SSBG"

- Elderly/Disabled Construction Program (HRAP), \$5,000
- Sandy Homeowner Renter Assistance Program "SHRAP" \$15,000

reNew Jersey Stronger (CDBG-DR)

- Resettlement Grant \$10,000
- Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, Elevation and Mitigation "RREM" \$150,000

Volunteer Management

9,122 Volunteers
63,846 hours

NCCC

Faith-Based
Groups

School Groups

Event Days

Student Interns

Field Contacts



Community Programs

- Outreach
- Info Fairs
- Legal Clinics
- Small Business
- Safe Gardening
- Homeowner Workshop
- Property Tax Assessment
- Emergency Preparedness
- Homeowners/Flood Insurance
- Mobile Home Owners
- Home Maintenance



Do you have questions
about how to get
**storm
recovery
help?**

Come to this free session
for information about

- Home Repairs
- Financial Help
- Insurance
- FEMA
- Help from Volunteers
- Legal help with FEMA,
insurance, tenants
- Other resources

REMINDER: DEADLINE TO FILE
FOR FEMA ASSISTANCE
EXTENDED TO APRIL 1

Bergen County Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD)
Long Term Recovery Committee

Storm Recovery Information Fair
Saturday, March 23, 2013 10:00 AM — 12:00 PM
Recovery Information Center at
Moonachie First Presbyterian Church
221 Moonachie Road, Moonachie

FREE

Get information on FREE and AFFORDABLE services for Storm Recovery

Volunteer Center of Bergen County ▪ Moonachie-Little Ferry Relief Fund
Hope & Healing NJ ▪ Bergen County's United Way
Korean American Sandy Relief Committee of NJ
Bergen County Department of Human Services ▪ Bergen CAP
NE NJ Legal Services ▪ Jewish Family Service, Inc.
Bergen County Department of Health ▪ Community FoodBank of NJ
World Renew (Green Shirts)
AND MORE!

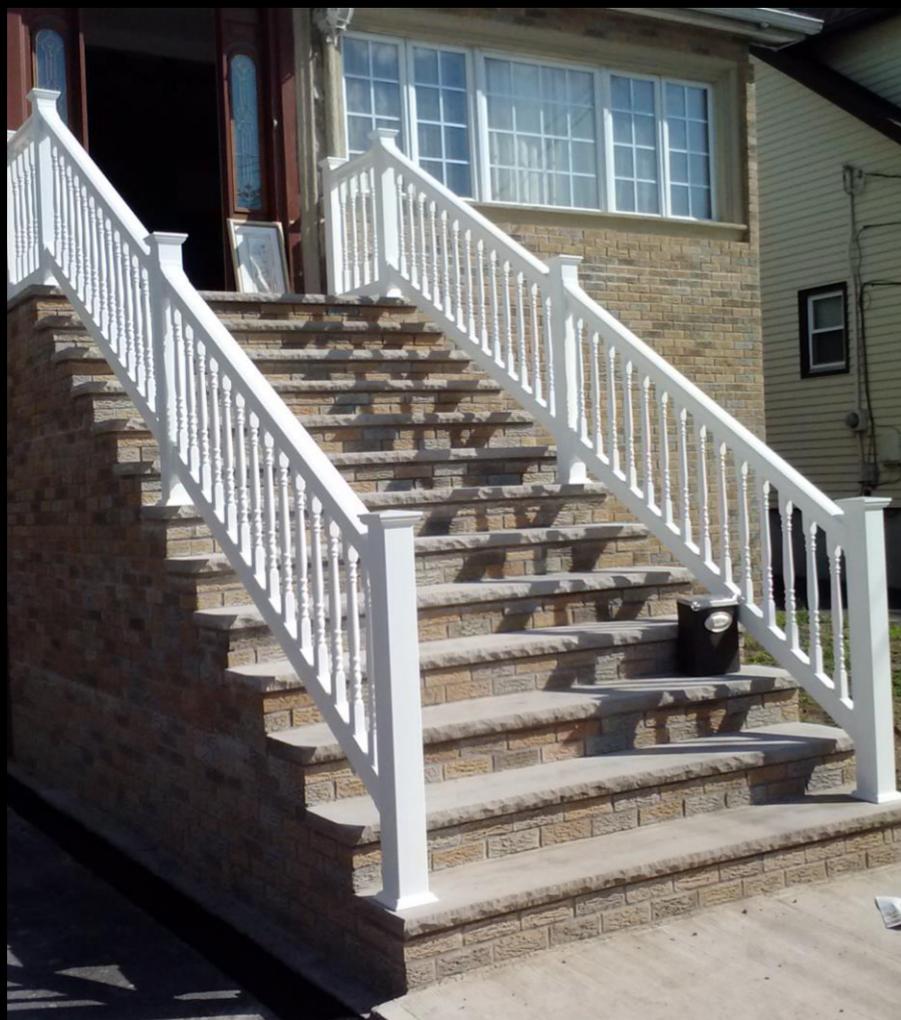
FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT THE BERGEN VOAD RECOVERY INFORMATION CENTER
201-470-3143 or ttomasi@bergenvolunteers.org

Mobile Home Insulations



Mold Inspections and Mold Remediation





Construction
Builders & Unmet Needs Committee

Funding

\$8,616,096 million awarded/committed

Program	Amount	Households
Unmet Needs Committee	\$1,251,848	344
SHRAP	\$5,388,031	715
SSBG (HRAP)	\$524,000	71

Major Contributions

- Hurricane Sandy New Jersey Relief Fund
- Robin Hood Relief Fund
- American Red Cross
- Bergen Co. Dept. of Human Services
- Bergen Co. Dept. of Senior Services
- Community Foundation of New Jersey
- Points of Light (Red Cross)
- Presbytery of the Palisades
- Lutheran Social Ministries
- Episcopal Diocese of Newark
- A Future with Hope (UMCOR)
- United Church of Christ
- World Renew
- Salvation Army
- Disciples of Christ (Week of Compassion)

Current Bergen Stats

As of Nov. 30, 2014

Intakes	1046 (3053 individuals)
Closed Cases	750
Major Home Repairs Completed	146
Major Home Repairs in Progress	58
Minor Home Repairs Completed	123
Minor Home Repairs in Progress	28
Mold Inspections	370
Mold Remediation	289
Mobile Home Insulations	181