Did Hurricane Sandy Affect You?

Local 802 would like to extend our deepest sympathies to all members who were affected by Hurricane Sandy. Below, please find a list of resources to contact if you still need help. In addition to state and federal financial assistance, the Musicians' Assistance Program can help you explore eligibility for Local 802's Emergency Relief Fund as well as the other entertainment industry relief agencies for which you might qualify. Please contact us directly at (212) 397-4802 or map@local802afm.org. You may also call K.C. Boyle at (212) 245-4802, ext. 176.

WHERE TO GO FIRST

Contact Local 802's Musicians' Assistance Program at (212) 397-4802 or map@local802afm.org

Programs are continuously being developed to address the needs of storm victims. To understand the programs that exist and those for which you are eligible, check out the Actors Fund website at http://www.actorsfund.org/services-and-programs/resources. This link covers a wide range of issues that people might be facing as a result of the storm including how to get financial assistance for loss of work, where to find gas, finding temporary housing and more. Also check out the following:

Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts

If you were affected by the hurricane, we are ready to help! Have a question regarding damage to your artwork or studio space? Need help filling out insurance papers? Contact us today! Call the Art Law Line at (212) 319-2787 or see this website: http://www.vlany.org/legalservices/artlawline.php

MusiCares Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund

MusiCares has established the MusiCares Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund to assist music people affected by the devastation of Hurricane Sandy. MusiCares' initial assistance will provide funds for food and clothing, shelter, utilities, medical expenses, gasoline and transportation, cleanup efforts, relocation costs, instrument and recording equipment replacement, and other critical supplies. To apply for assistance, please contact one of two toll free help lines at (877) 303-6962 or (877) 626-2748. Want to speed up your application process for MusiCares Hurricane Sandy Relief assistance? Go to:

http://www.grammy.org/files/pages/sandy relief app.pdf

New York State Hurricane Sandy Helpline

www.governor.nv.gov or (888) 769-7243

The governor's website offers information on shelters, transportation, power outage updates and more. It is the site to explore Disaster Unemployment Benefits which gives financial assistance to those who couldn't work because of the storm, including the self-employed and those who could not get to a job site because of the

disaster. NY State encourages those who suffered damage to call with ANY QUESTIONS.

FEMA

www.disasterassistance.gov (main site)

or http://m.fema.gov (for cell phones, iPads, tablets, etc.)

(800) 621-3362, TTY: (800)462-7585

FEMA urges ANYONE who was impacted by Hurricane Sandy to call or go online and register for federal assistance. You are also able to walk in to FEMA centers and speak in person to a clerk, but lines can be long. For a list of FEMA centers, go to the agency web site. FEMA has a variety of programs and grants available for all types of Sandy victims; please call to find out what you are eligible to receive.

SBA

www.sba.gov

SBA provides low interest disaster loans to homeowners, renters, businesses of all sizes and private, nonprofit organizations to repair or replace real estate, personal property, machinery & equipment, inventory and business assets that have been damaged or destroyed in a declared disaster.

Renters and homeowners alike may borrow up to \$40,000 to repair or replace clothing, furniture, cars, appliances, etc. damaged or destroyed in the disaster. Homeowners may apply for up to \$200,000 to repair or replace their primary residence to its pre-disaster condition.

Union Plus

www.unionplus.org/sandy

Union members living in areas impacted by Hurricane Sandy who participate in Union Plus programs may be eligible for financial assistance. Union Plus Disaster Relief Grants of \$500 are available to help participants in the Union Plus Credit Card, Insurance or Mortgage programs who are facing financial hardship due to the recent severe weather. The money does not have to be repaid.

Other contacts:

For Aging/Elderly: 1-800-342-9871

For Businesses seeking storm help (power issues, flooding, etc..):

1-888-769-7243 / disastercustomerservice@sba.gov

For Chemical/Oil Spills: 1-800-457-7362 For Disability Assistance: 1-800-342-3009

For Insurance or Banking issues: 1-800-339-1759

For Mental Health (Stress & Anxiety) Hotline: 1-800-985-5990

For PETS (Residents unable to evacuate with, assistance, retrieval): (347) 573-1561

For Sheltering/Meals:

Salvation Army: 1-800-SAL-ARMY The Red Cross: 1-800-RED-CROSS

For Office of Technology: Customer Care Center: 1-800-697-1323 or 518-408-6487

For Temporary Disability Assistance: 1-800-342-3009

For Transportation: (518) 485-8621

For Utilities: 1-800-342-3377 (7:30am - 7:30pm)

VOLUNTEER TRUCK DRIVERS NEEDED!

The Red Cross is in need of licensed drivers who can handle 16-foot trucks this to help deliver over 200 packets of emergency meals and water to Hurricane Sandy victims. They are asking the labor community to help connect them with drivers who might be willing to help out. Please contact Ed Van Schaick at $\frac{dr145}{13cps1@redcross.org}$.

UNITED WAY RECOVERY FUND

The United Way Hurricane Sandy Recovery Fund was established to address the near-term and long-term recovery needs of individuals, families and communities along the East Coast who were impacted by Hurricane Sandy's devastation. If you'd like to contribute to the long-term recovery effort, please click here. For information about how to get assistance from the United Way, please click <a href=here.

VOLUNTEER UPDATES

We want to thank all those in the labor movement who are working to restore power and vital services to those in need along the East Coast, and all of you who have volunteered and brought much-needed food, medical care, and medicine to those unable to fend for themselves. In the days and weeks ahead there will be many opportunities for the labor movement to show its dedication and community spirit. The New York City Central Labor Council and the New York State AFL-CIO are in contact with city and state agencies as well as relief organizations that will need your skills, talents and manual labor. As calls for volunteers come in, we will send them out to our affiliates (including Local 802) via e-mail. Please watch for our updates.

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