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DISASTER UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE DEADLINE APPROACHES

TRENTON, N.J. – The deadline is approaching for Hurricane Sandy survivors to apply for disaster unemployment assistance.

Registration closes Monday, Feb. 4. Workers can register for DUA by calling one of the following New Jersey Re-employment Call Centers:

Union City: 201-601-4100 Freehold: 732-761-2020 Cumberland: 856-507-2340

Survivors can also register for DUA at njuifile.net.

Disaster unemployment claims filed after the registration deadline may be ineligible for payment.

DUA is available to those who are ineligible for state unemployment benefits, including the self-employed, farmers and farm workers. Workers may qualify for DUA because of the following reasons:

- They were injured in the disaster and are unable to work.
- Their workplace was damaged or destroyed.
- Transportation to work is not available.
- They could not get to their job because they must travel through an affected area.
- The disaster prevented them from beginning a new job.
- Their business suffered because most of its income was derived from an affected area.

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