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BAY HEAD, NEWARK DISASTER RECOVERY CENTERS TO CLOSE THIS WEEK

TRENTON, N.J. — The disaster recovery centers located at Bay Head Fire Station No. 1 in Bay Head and the William Heart Community Center in Newark will close Saturday, Jan. 12, at 7 p.m.

State and federal officials have been paying close attention to how many applicants are visiting centers throughout the state. Over the past weeks, the number of individuals seeking help at the Bay Head and Newark centers has dropped, indicating the information needs of survivors in the area have mostly been met.

Since the Bay Head disaster recovery center opened Nov. 16, there have been nearly 2,000 visits from Hurricane Sandy survivors.

There have been more than 1,000 visits to the Newark disaster recovery center since it opened Nov. 11.

Those who want to visit a disaster recovery center in the Bay Head area can go to the Brick or Belmar centers at:

**Brick Township Civic Center
270 Chambers Bridge Road
Brick, NJ 08723**

**Belmar Municipal Building
601 Main St.
Belmar, NJ 07719**

Those who want to visit a disaster recovery center in the Newark area can go to the Jersey City regional center at:

**Hudson County Government Building (formerly the Provident Bank building)
830 Bergen Ave.
Jersey City, NJ 07306**

FEMA staff is available at the centers to provide clarification to letters, assist survivors with finding a temporary home if their primary residence was damaged or destroyed, check on the status of their application for assistance or refer survivors to other agencies that may provide additional help.

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Also, survivors can consult with Small Business Administration customer service representatives about low-interest disaster loans to repair or rebuild their home and FEMA mitigation specialists about cost-effective rebuilding and repair techniques to reduce property damages in future disasters.

Individuals can register for assistance and follow up on their applications online at DisasterAssistance.gov, or by using a smartphone or tablet at m.FEMA.gov. By phone or 711/VRS, call 800-621-FEMA (3362) or TTY 800-462-7585.

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