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STAY IN TOUCH WITH FEMA TO CONTINUE TEMPORARY HOUSING

TRENTON, N.J. — Hurricane Sandy survivors need to complete the application for continued temporary rental assistance and avoid interruptions of funds for an apartment, house or other temporary home.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency mails forms to survivors receiving temporary rental assistance that must be completed and returned to remain eligible. Survivors can request new forms by calling **800-621-3362** or **TTY 800-877-8339** if the original is lost.

Temporary rental assistance may be provided while displaced survivors are working to find a permanent housing solution. Although it is not automatic and available in three month increments, assistance may be available up to 18 months from the Oct. 30, 2012 federal disaster declaration or the program maximum, whichever comes first. That's why it is important for survivors to develop permanent housing plans. Returning to a permanent home is a significant recovery milestone.

The application for continued rental assistance must be filled out completely, signed and returned along with the following documents:

- A copy of the lease agreement signed by the applicant and applicant's landlord
- Rent receipts showing that the funds have been used for rental assistance
- A current income statement, such as a paycheck stub or bank statement

Survivors should mail packets to:

FEMA
National Processing Service Center
P.O. Box 10055
Hyattsville, MD 20782-7055

They also can fax requests to: **800-827-8112**

The registration and disaster numbers should be clearly visible on each page.

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