

Disaster Recovery Centers Remain Open In Ocean County

FEMA Disaster Recovery Centers in Ocean County will remain open now that the deadline for Sandy disaster assistance has been extended to April 1.

In Ocean County, the Brick Township Center, located in the Brick Township Civic Center, 270 Chambers Bridge Road, will remain open. Since the Brick Township center opened Nov. 5, 2012, there have been more than 6,012 visits from Hurricane Sandy survivors.

The Little Egg Harbor Center, located in the Little Egg Harbor Senior Center, 641 Radio Rd., will also remain open. Since the Little Egg Harbor center opened Nov. 23, 2012, there have been more than 3,965 visits from Hurricane Sandy survivors.

The Toms River Center, located in the BellCrest Plaza, Storefront 4C, 953 Fischer Blvd., will continue to serve the public. Since the Toms River center opened Nov. 11, 2012, there have been more than 9,558 visits from Hurricane Sandy survivors.

And, the Ocean County Southern Service Center, at 179A South Main St., Manahawkin, also will remain open as a Disaster Recovery Center.

Disaster recovery centers will be open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Help and information are always available online or by phone. Survivors can check on the status of their disaster assistance applications at DisasterAssistance.gov, by using a smartphone or tablet at m.FEMA.gov, or by calling 800-621-FEMA (3362), TTY 800-462-7585 or 711/VRS. They also can call those numbers to inquire about rental recertification.

They can ask questions about their Small Business Administration disaster home or business loan applications by calling 800-659-2955 or TTY 800-877-8339 or emailing disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Additional resources are available online at FEMA.gov/SandyNJ and SBA.gov/Sandy. Survivors who have questions about flood insurance claims and the appeals process can call toll-free 888-379-9531.