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## **FREE ADVICE ON REBUILDING STRONGER, SAFER, SMARTER AT NEW JERSEY HOME IMPROVEMENT STORES**

**TRENTON, N.J.** – Your home has been damaged and you want to get it back to where it was before Hurricane Sandy. Or, maybe you're looking to rebuild and need smart ideas on how to make your next home stronger and safer than your last. Knowledgeable and reliable advice is available at a nearby home improvement store daily from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. until Nov. 26.

Hazard mitigation specialists from FEMA are on-site to answer your questions and help you rebuild stronger, safer and smarter. They specialize in building techniques that reduce the potential for damage to your home, business and property from future disasters.

Besides answering your questions, they are offering other home improvement tips and techniques:

- Proper mold and mildew clean-up,
- Flood- and wind-resistant building methods,
- Wind straps,
- Flood insurance,
- Suggestions to make homes stronger and safer,
- Retrofitting buildings, and
- Elevating utilities.

Free publications on these topics are available and there is no charge to talk with specialists.

FEMA specialists are available at the following home improvement stores until November 26:

- Atlantic County – Lowe's #1034, 6048 Black Horse Pike, Egg Harbor Township, 08234
- Hudson County – Lowe's #1937, 727 Route 440, Jersey City, 07304
- Ocean County – Lowe's #1608, 1375 Hooper Ave, Toms River, 08753
- Ocean County – Lowe's #1535, 520 Route 70, Brick, 08723
- Monmouth County – Lowe's #1035, 2194 State Route 35, Holmdel, 07733
- Monmouth County – Home Depot, 3700 Hwy 35, Hazlet, 07730

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- Monmouth County – Lowe's #1548, 118 Hwy 35, Eatontown, 07724

Additional sites and dates will be announced soon.

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