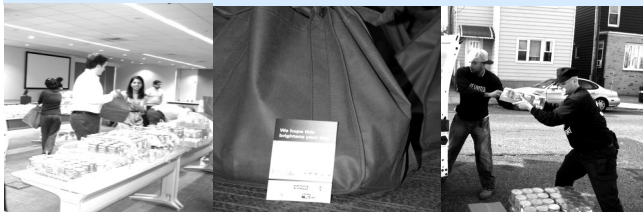


# THE UWHC VISION

## Superstorm Sandy UWHC TAKES ACTION IN AFTERMATH



UWHC has been working hard to help with storm recovery throughout Hudson County. President Dan Altilio has focused on many issues to make our community whole again including partnering with Garden State Episcopal to create an emergency housing rehabilitation model, distributing over 40,000 pounds of GOYA foods with Goldman Sachs to replenish diminished food supplies in local pantries and shelters and leading the efforts in establishing the Hudson County Long Term Recovery Committee to assist our residents in need due to storm damage. But possibly the most exciting of all UWHC's efforts in storm recovery is our partnership with the Hoboken Historical Museum

which is curating a Superstorm Sandy Exhibit. With a Robinhood Foundation grant, UWHC was allowed to add a Disaster Recovery Counselor to lead programs with the exhibition. Dawn Muscolino, a behavioral health expert at Jersey City Medical Center, will address stress disorder issues surrounding the storm through drawing exercises, storytelling, group discussion and other therapeutic activities for all ages. The exhibition will open October 29, 2013 on the anniversary of the storm. "It is our hope that the families and children get the assistance they need", says UWHC President Dan Altilio.

## Superstorm Sandy Home Rehab

The United Way of Hudson County (UWHC) and Garden State Episcopal have partnered to assist a local family that was severely affected by Superstorm Sandy. The UWHC Emergency Housing Program with Garden State Episcopal is a partnership that supports storm survivors with unmet shelter needs. Storm-related housing rehabilitation has become a real concern in Hudson County and this project will be used as a model to seek additional funding for

other survivors still living in difficult housing situations in Hudson County.

According to FEMA, over 29,000 applications were filed in Hudson County, the fourth highest number of county applications for Superstorm Sandy in state of New Jersey. After hearing several emotional stories of emergency housing needs due to Sandy, UWHC and Garden State Episcopal cultivated a financial solution and established a selection process that reviewed several factors that encompassed both UWHC's and Garden State Episcopal's core missions. The selected

local family has endured a considerable amount of home damage and loss. To assist the family, the United Way has agreed to finance the rehab while Garden State Episcopal uses their abilities and expertise to lead and complete the housing rehabilitation process.

UWHC President Dan Altilio and Garden State Episcopal Director Carol Mori agree, "In the most recent months, it has become clear that emergency housing due to Superstorm Sandy is very much needed throughout Hudson County. We are here to help!"

## Superstorm Sandy: One Year Later

UWHC Takes Action in Aftermath



Sandy Survivors' Rehab



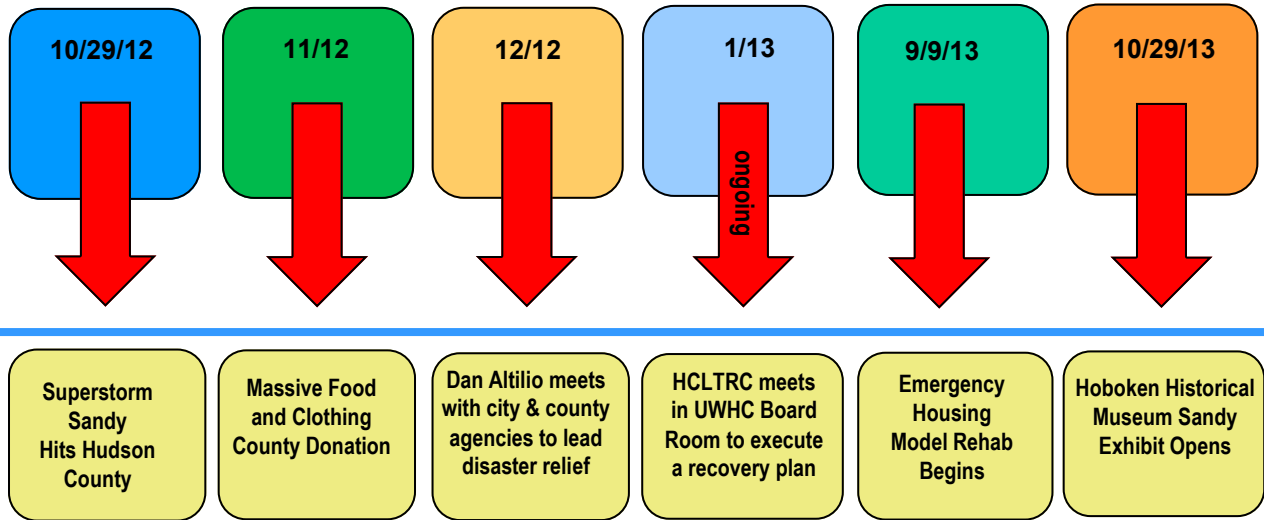
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## UNITED WAY OF HUDSON COUNTY SUPERSTORM SANDY TIMELINE



One of the United Way of Hudson County's biggest accomplishment thus far in the hurricane recovery effort is creating, assembling and now coordinating the Long Term Recovery Committee for Hudson County with FEMA.

Immediately following the hurricane, President Dan Altilio organized over 15 county and state agencies to begin the discussion on how to create a Long Term Recovery Committee in Hudson County. UWHC and FEMA then gathered several not for profit agencies to create subcommittees and by-laws. Today, the HCLTRC has raised more than a half a million dollars to aid residents affected by the storm.

**The Hudson County Long Term Recovery Committee (HCLTRC)** was established after **SUPERSTORM SANDY** to support and coordinate the area's long term recovery effort. It is a voluntary association of members representing many nonprofit agencies, faith-based groups, and social service organizations; participants also include community relief groups, and government partners. HCLTRC assists residents of and organizations operating in Hudson County, NJ to recover from the effects of disasters, with particular attention to the needs of low-income and disabled residents, small businesses, and economically disadvantaged communities. HCLTRC also coordinates the disaster response of participating organizations and helps residents, organizations, and governmental bodies prepare for future disasters. **For more information visit: [www.facebook.com/HCLTRC](http://www.facebook.com/HCLTRC)**

# HCLTRC

**HCLTRC, Working To Make a Better Community After the Storm**

By Catalina Adorno, HCLTRC Grants Management

As a new addition to the HCLTRC as grants manager, I can't express enough how thrilled I am to be working for a committee that has been devoting time and resources to help Hudson County. When Superstorm Sandy hit my town, Union City, NJ, many families, including mine, were left without electricity and/or heat. And yet, as difficult as that experience was, I have to say I was very fortunate to ONLY lose electricity and heat.

Working for the HCLTRC is fulfilling in the sense that I feel I am playing a part in helping people trying to regain their lives after Superstorm Sandy. I aligned myself with the mission of the HCLTRC, which is to assist residents and organizations operating in Hudson County to recover from disasters. This work is desperately needed, in particular for low-income and disabled residents, small businesses, and economically disadvantaged communities who do not have the resources to repair physical damages to their homes or property. Additionally, the HCLTRC also provides non-monetary services, such as case management services.