



Dear Constituent,

I hope this email finds you well. This afternoon, Governor Hochul announced that an additional \$3 million will be made available to help eligible homeowners in several counties, including Westchester and Putnam, to recover from the aftermath of the July 9 flooding event. The application for this funding will open this **Friday, August 11.** With so much need, but limited resources, I am sending you this information today so that you can prepare and be ready to apply as soon as the application becomes available. You will want to have proof of the damages you sustained during the flooding ready, such as photographs, videos, receipts or other evidence.

Eligible homeowners will be able to apply to receive funding to cover the cost of urgent repairs necessary to bring their home into a safe and habitable condition. Eligible work may include repair or replacement of electrical and plumbing systems, heating systems and appliances, flooring, drywall, insulation, windows, doors, siding, and roofing. <u>Click here to access the full list of eligibility requirements, covered expenses, and the application.</u>

I have also re-listed additional resources from previous messages below. Please feel free to call my district office at (914) 941-1111 or email <u>levenbergd@nyassembly.gov</u> if you have any questions or need any assistance accessing recovery resources or anything else.

Sincerely,

Assemblywoman Dana Levenberg

## Assistance from the Department of Financial Services

New York's Department of Financial Services (DFS) is providing assistance to residents affected by flooding. Individuals can call the DFS Disaster Hotline at (800) 339-1759 or visit the DFS <u>Disaster and Flood Recovery Resources</u> page to learn more about available resources for recovery.

## Damage Self-Reporting Tool

New York State is continuing to collect reports of damages to local homes & businesses to support applications for additional relief and coordinate relief activities. If you sustained any property damage during the recent storm, please click here to report it as soon as possible. Note that this form is NOT an application for relief programs, but the information you submit may

be helpful in relief efforts. Separately, be sure to document your damage in photos and keep receipts for costs related to storm damage in case you qualify for reimbursement.

## American Red Cross

With this storm, or any other disaster, people can reach out to the American Red Cross at 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-831-0927). The Red Cross can provide assistance with immediate needs such as financial aid for food, shelter, and clothing; help replacing prescriptions and medical supplies; emotional support and crisis counseling; referrals to agencies that help with long-term recovery, and more.

## **Disaster Distress Helpline**

If you are experiencing emotional distress after last month's storm, you can call or text 1-800-985-5990 to speak with a trained disaster counselor.