

Hurricane Sandy Emergency Grants Approved

21 Plus Inc (Toms River, NJ) – To contribute to the relocation of residents with disabilities from the Bayview Group Home, which was demolished by Hurricane Sandy: \$2,500.00

The Arc of Essex County, Inc. (Livingston, NJ) – To remove trees that were destroyed by Hurricane Sandy, blocking access to a group home property where residents are medically frail and physically disabled: \$5,000.00

The Arc Warren County Chapter, Inc (Washington, NJ) – To install a gas generator in the Chapter's headquarters so that it can serve as an accessible regional emergency shelter for people with severe disabilities from the Chapter's 17 residential homes and the surrounding community: \$10,000.00

The Arc, Ocean County Chapter, Inc. (Lakewood, NJ) – To offset expenses incurred as a result of Hurricane Sandy and the relocation of 75 individuals with disabilities, including food, blankets, towels, pharmacy items, and other supplies: \$5,000.00

Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey (Toms River, NJ) – To recruit, train, and complete background checks for new volunteers needed to replace those who suffered losses due to Hurricane Sandy and are no longer available to assist with the subsequent increased requests from seniors with disabilities: \$2,500.00

The Center for Family Support of New Jersey, Inc. (Paramus, NJ) – To offset unexpected operating expenses due to the effects of Hurricane Sandy, such as overtime compensation to staff required to remain at group homes during power outages and temporary relocation of residents to hotels: \$5,000.00

Cheshire Home (Florham Park, NJ) – To ensure that the Cheshire Home facility is fully equipped to maximize safety and well-being during prolonged electrical and heating outages: \$8,040.00

Community Access Unlimited Inc (Elizabeth, NJ) – To replenish emergency kits depleted during Hurricane Sandy, which provide basic survival necessities (food, water, blankets, heat packs, pharmacy items) for residents with disabilities who require critical, round-the-clock care: \$5,000.00

Community Health Law Project (South Orange, NJ) – To provide legal assistance such as accessing FEMA assistance and other public entitlements, resolving landlord-tenant disputes, and replacement of lost identification cards to people with disabilities affected by Hurricane Sandy: \$10,000.00

Heightened Independence and Progress Inc (Hackensack, NJ) – To rebuild an accessible bathroom and entrance ramp to the home of an individual with MS whose first floor was flooded by Hurricane Sandy, necessitating temporary evacuation: \$7,530.00

Hudson Community Enterprises (Jersey City, NJ) – To purchase a new server and equipment that went down because of power failures during Hurricane Sandy: \$2,500.00

Jawonio NJ, Inc. (Clifton, NJ) – To replace food and other supplies depleted during Hurricane Sandy at five group homes for individuals with disabilities: \$2,500.00

Jewish Family Service of Atlantic County (Margate, NJ) – To provide emergency financial assistance to constituents impacted by Hurricane Sandy when other sources are unavailable: \$10,000.00

Jewish Vocational Service of Metro West (East Orange, NJ) – To provide stipends in the amount of \$50 to individuals with disabilities who lost up to a week's wages due to Hurricane Sandy: \$4,400.00

LADACIN Network (Wanamassa, NJ) – To provide safe, standby power to two group homes in which residents with disabilities and complicated medical needs rely on electric feeding devices, power wheelchairs, and nebulizer treatments for survival: \$5,000.00

National Multiple Sclerosis Society - NJ Metro Chapter (Oakhurst, NJ) – To provide support in the form of funding for lost or damaged medical equipment and home and car modifications for clients that have multiple sclerosis: \$8,000.00

New Jersey Department of Human Services (Trenton, NJ) – To provide funds to homeowners and renters with acquired disabilities for rebuilding ramps (adhering to ADA code) damaged by Hurricane Sandy: \$10,000.00

Ocean Mental Health Services (Bayville, NJ) – To relocate and replace basic furnishings for mental health consumers displaced as a result of Hurricane Sandy: \$3,350.00

Opportunity Knocks Inc. (Freehold, NJ) – To recover unbudgeted expenses from emergency tree removal at group homes to allow for evacuation of residents with disabilities during Hurricane Sandy: \$4,000.00

Our House Inc (Murray Hill, NJ) – To restore office operations after one week without power and continue to meet payroll for office staff, the employment services program and residential health care workers: \$8,000.

Pathways for Exceptional Children (Montville, NJ) – To repair the greenhouse and fence used for the horticulture program where employment training takes place for youth with disabilities: \$2,500.00

Portlight Strategies, Inc. (Johns Island, SC) – To restore mobility and accessibility to the disability community, replacing durable medical equipment and assistive devices lost or damaged by Superstorm Sandy: \$8,000.00

The Rescue Mission of Trenton (Trenton, NJ) – To replace unbudgeted expenses due to Hurricane Sandy, including overtime pay to personnel caring for individuals with disabilities, food, supplies, and transportation to the evacuation shelter: \$4,000.00

The Salvation Army (Union, NJ) – To provide special assistance to individuals with disabilities by replacing lost vital mobility resources, such as ramps, hand rails, shower chairs, and wheelchair/mobility equipment: \$10,000.00

Services for Children with Hidden Intelligence Inc. (Lakewood, NJ) – To rebuild large accessibility entrance ramps to two group homes for young adults with complicated medical conditions and disabilities, which were damaged by Hurricane Sandy: \$3,000.00

Tri-City Peoples Corporation (East Orange, NJ) – To provide supplies and labor for yard clean-up and minor repairs to homes damaged by Hurricane Sandy for senior citizens with physical disabilities who are homebound and unable to meet insurance deductibles: \$5,000.00

Wheeling Forward (Brooklyn, NY) – To provide power wheelchairs, Hoyer lifts, hospital beds, and other mobility-aiding devices to individuals in New Jersey with mobility disabilities whose medical equipment was lost or destroyed during Hurricane Sandy: \$5,000.00

Youth Consultation Service, Inc. (Newark, NJ) – To offset the cost of damages from fallen trees and power outages during Hurricane Sandy to Sawtelle Learning Center, their flagship school for children with autism spectrum disorder: \$5,000.00