

**New York State Office of the Attorney General
Charities Bureau**

Hurricane Sandy Relief Information - March 2013 Update

PLEASE NOTE: In answering the questions below, please update the information you provided in response to our earlier questionnaire. If there has been no change in the information previously provided in response to any question, please indicate "no change." However, where financial information is requested, please provide aggregate amounts to date, rather than since the date of your earlier response.

Name of Organization: Red Hook Initiative

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| 1. | What is the dollar amount of donations and pledges that your organization has raised to date in response to Hurricane Sandy? If your organization has received any donated (in-kind) goods or services, please describe those in-kind donations and explain how you determined their value in sections (b) and (c). | |
| (a) | Category | Raised to Date |
| | Cash/cash equivalents | \$1.2M |
| | Outstanding pledges | \$10,000 |
| | Value of goods and services (in-kind) donated to your organization | 0 |
| (b) | Description of in-kind donations: NA | |
| (c) | Explanation of how in-kind donations were valued: NA | |
| 2. | Are the amounts reported above being used solely for Hurricane Sandy relief? If not, please indicate the portion of those funds that have or will be used for other purposes and describe those purposes. | |
| | RHI intends to use 100% of the funds toward Hurricane Sandy relief in Red Hook, Brooklyn. | |
| 3. | How much has your organization spent or disbursed on Hurricane Sandy relief to date? | |
| (a) | Amount: \$380,000 | |
| (b) | Please detail the above amount by completing the categories below: | |
| | Category | Amount to Date |
| | Direct expenditures by your organization on supplies and/or services (please only include any expenditures paid by your | 330,000 |

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| | organization for direct Hurricane Sandy relief and not grants or funding provided to individuals, businesses or other organizations) | |
| | Grants or funding provided to other organizations for Hurricane Sandy relief | \$0 |
| | Grants or funding provided to individuals, families or businesses for Hurricane Sandy relief (please include any items such as emergency cash grants, loans, gift/debit cards or similar assistance) | \$50,000 |
| | The value of any goods or services donated (in-kind) to your organization that were disbursed in response to Hurricane Sandy. | NA |
| | Other (please describe) | NA |
| 4. | Please describe the types of assistance that your organization has provided to those affected by Hurricane Sandy. What populations or geographical areas have been (or will be) served by your organization in response to Hurricane Sandy? | |
| | No change. | |
| 5. | Has your organization provided grants or funding to other organizations for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts? If so, which organizations have received those funds, what is the dollar amount provided to them and what is the intended use of the funds? What policies and procedures does your organization follow to determine the need for such funding and to monitor the use funds? | |
| | RHI has not provided grants or funding to other organizations. | |
| 6. | Has your organization provided direct grants or funding to individuals, families or businesses for Hurricane Sandy relief? If so, please describe the types of the assistance that your organization has provided to date. What policies and procedures does your organization follow to determine the need for such funding and to monitor the use funds? For the purposes of this question please include any items such as emergency cash assistance, loans, gift/debit cards or direct payment of expenses on behalf those impacted by Hurricane Sandy. | |
| | <p>Yes. RHI has distributed over \$50,000 in financial assistance, purchase of needed supplies, rent/ housing assistance, or purchase of building/ clean up materials for impacted individuals and families.</p> <p>RHI has employed a case manager who meets with individuals to review requests for assistance. RHI accepts referrals from our social work staff at RHI, Good Shepherd Services and Project Hope; otherwise individuals walk-in for their own appointment. The case manager asks for any supporting documentation and reviews the request, along with doing a basic assessment of financial need. Any individual is also supported with a referral process to connect him/her to ongoing case management, housing assistance, legal assistance, food stamps, benefits, or FEMA/ Red Cross depending on the need.</p> | |

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| | For all above procedures and any assistance given (cash or product) RHI keeps strict accounting records including name and information for the person receiving the benefit and approval from a staff member who signed off on the need/ confirmed receipt. All records and kept and reviewed by our auditors annually. |
| 7. | What is your organization's plan for using any surplus funds not spent for Hurricane Sandy relief? |
| | No change. |
| 8. | Has your organization received funding from other organizations for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts? If so, please identify the organizations that provided the funds, the amount received and a description of how the funds have been or will be used. |
| | RHI has received funding from foundations, corporations, individuals, and government agencies. We have not received funding from other organizations. |
| 9. | Is your organization still conducting fundraising for relief efforts? If so, please describe the methods by which you are raising funds. |
| | RHI continues to accept donations for our long-term work around community resiliency and recovery. Donations can be made on our website or by mailing a check to our office. We prefer to have communications in advance of receiving a hurricane-restricted contribution, in order to ensure that the donor understand how we are intending to use the funds and how we view "long-term recovery" and "community resiliency." |
| 10. | Is your organization still conducting relief efforts? If so, please describe how individuals, businesses or organizations seeking assistance can contact your organization. |
| | The Red Hook Initiative is still conducting long-term recovery efforts. For more information, please contact us via website: www.rhicenter.org , or contact our Executive Director, Jill Eisenhard, 718-858-6782. Our general mailbox is: info@rhicenter.org and our mailing address is: 767 Hicks Street, Brooklyn, NY 11231. |

Print Name and Title of Representative

Date

Signature of Representative

March 31, 2013

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