

December 5, 2012

Mr. Jason R. Lilien
Charities Bureau Chief
New York State Office of the Attorney General
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Dear Mr. Lilien,

Many thanks to you for inviting the Center for Disaster Philanthropy (Center) to respond to the questions you pose regarding Hurricane Sandy fundraising and fund distribution efforts. In response to those questions, we humbly submit the following.

Hurricane Sandy Relief Information:
Center for Disaster Philanthropy

1. What is the approximate dollar amount of donations and pledges that your organization has received to date in response to Hurricane Sandy?

The Center for Disaster Philanthropy has raised approximately \$400,000 through its Hurricane Sandy Disaster Fund.

2. Will these funds be used solely for Hurricane Sandy relief? If not, approximately what portion will be used for Hurricane Sandy relief and what other purposes will funds be used for?

More than ninety-five percent of funds will be used for Hurricane Sandy, with up to five percent retained by the Center to cover our research and grantmaking activities.

3. Approximately how much has your organization spent to date on Hurricane Sandy relief?

No monies have been dispersed to date. The Center has a focus on medium- to long-term recovery and will not disperse funds until longer-term needs emerge.

4. What services has your organization provided to those affected by Hurricane Sandy? What populations or geographical areas are being served by your organization in response to Hurricane Sandy? What services does it expect to provide in the future?

The Center has provided timely and relevant Sandy-related information through its website and hosted two teleconferences for the private philanthropic community. These efforts are designed to support the donor community to make more effective allocations to responding organizations. Furthermore, our efforts are designed to keep Hurricane Sandy in the mind's eye of philanthropists across the medium- and long-term recovery needs.

In the future, the Center will conduct a needs assessment to understand the needs that will prevail across the medium- and long-term recovery phases. Once the Center completes its needs assessment, it will launch an RFP inviting need-relevant organizations to apply for funding from the CDP Hurricane Sandy Disaster Fund. Proposals will be reviewed by Center

staff and board, and then allocated to nonprofit organizations that demonstrate they are effectively meeting the most pressing needs of Sandy-affected communities.

We will distribute funds across all Sandy-affected areas based upon the findings of our needs assessment. New York, New Jersey, and the Caribbean are likely geographies that the Center will target.

5. Has your organization provided funding to other organizations for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts? If so, which organizations have received those funds and what is the approximate dollar amount provided to them? How does your organization determine the need for funding?

To date, the Center has not provided funding to other organizations for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts. Going forward, the Center will solicit proposals from a cache of organizations responding to the prevailing needs faced by vulnerable populations. We will review the proposal, conduct a staff-led internal review and due diligence, and submit proposals for board review. Approved proposals will be allocated funds by the CDP Hurricane Sandy Disaster Fund.

6. Has your organization provided, or does it intend to provide, direct financial assistance to individuals, families or businesses for Hurricane Sandy relief? If so, what is the approximate dollar amount that your organization has provided to date and approximately how much direct financial assistance does it expect to provide in the future? How does your organization determine the need for assistance?

The Center does not plan to provide direct financial assistance to individuals, families, or businesses for Hurricane Sandy relief.

7. Does your organization have a plan in place on how to use any surplus funds not spent for Hurricane Sandy relief? If so, please describe that plan.

The Center plans on dispersing 100% of funds raised.

Sincerely,



Robert G. Ottenhoff

President and CEO