

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

Hurricane Sandy Relief Information

Name of Organization: Catholic Charities, Diocese of Rockville Centre

1.	What is the approximate dollar amount of donations and pledges that your organization has received to date in response to Hurricane Sandy?
	\$527,000
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?
	These funds will be used solely for Hurricane Sandy relief and to build response capacity for disaster victims.
3.	Approximately how much has your organization spent to date on Hurricane Sandy relief?
	\$137,000
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?
	<p>Catholic Charities, Diocese of Rockville Centre, serves Nassau and Suffolk counties. Areas that have expressed greatest need since the storm, where we have focused most closely, include Long Beach, Oceanside, Lindenhurst, Mastic, and others. Services are described below.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic Charities operated a special needs shelter during the hurricane. • The agency distributes food, clothes, blankets, baby supplies, hygiene kits, cleaning supplies, flashlights, batteries, tools, and other items to people in affected areas through local parishes. • Staff and volunteers conduct person-to-person outreach in affected areas, informing storm victims of services and benefits available. • Funds are being distributed directly to households that were severely impacted by the storm. • Disaster case managers are being hired for a team that will work long-term with Long Islanders during recovery from the storms. Case managers will reach out to people in impacted areas, assess their needs, develop a collaborative recovery plan, and walk with their clients on their journey toward renewed stability. We expect to provide the disaster case management program for two years or longer because families will continue to need help through different phases of recovery.
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?
	Catholic Charities has not provided funding to other organizations for Hurricane Sandy relief efforts. No such funding is planned.
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?
	Catholic Charities has provided approximately \$50,000 in direct assistance to Hurricane Sandy victims. A family seeking such assistance may fill out an application through their local parish. The application is submitted by the parish to Catholic Charities, where it is further reviewed on the basis of need and appropriateness of request. Approved disbursements are made directly to applicants. Note: Application to the fund is open to <u>all</u> residents of affected areas, Catholic and non-Catholic alike. Membership in a parish is not a consideration. Catholic Charities plans to disburse at least \$75,000 in additional funds in this way.
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.
	Catholic Charities does not anticipate having surplus funds, due to the scale of the disaster.

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 Name and title of representative

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 Date

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