



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

Patty Ritchie

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL NY'ers RESPOND TO FLOOD VICTIMS

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Senator Collecting Food and Personal Items to Send Downstate

State Senator Patty Ritchie is thanking Central and Northern New Yorkers who have responded to her appeal for relief items for victims of severe flooding downstate.

Senator Ritchie announced Thursday that she has opened her offices in Oswego, Watertown and Ogdensburg for constituents to drop off personal and food items that are desperately needed by farmers and families who have been driven from their homes by twin floods caused by Hurricane Irene and Tropical Storm Lee.

Senator Ritchie will continue to collect items through next week, and arrange to deliver them to relief agencies in the affected areas.

Most urgently needed items include:

**Diapers
Formula**

**Non-perishable food
Jar baby food**

Baby wipes

Personal hygiene items

New underwear

Over-the-counter medications

Adult wipes

Cleaning supplies

New socks

Bottled water

Contributions may be dropped off at Senator Ritchie's offices:

Dulles State Office Building, 317 Washington St., Watertown

Oswego County Building, 46 E. Bridge St., Oswego

Ogdensburg City Hall, 330 Ford St., Ogdensburg

Central and Northern New Yorkers are also being urged to send messages to flood victims through a [link](#) on [Senator Ritchie's website](#).