



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Hurricane Irene Donations Collected Throughout Brooklyn

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Hurricane Irene caused widespread damage throughout upstate communities, especially in the Upper Catskills. With damaged roads and bridges, lack of access to supermarkets, inadequate transportation and high gas prices, many residents are going to face critical food and supply shortages in the upcoming months.

With the help of City Harvest, Regional Food Bank, and Move for Hunger, GrowNYC is answering this call for help by collecting needed items at Greenmarkets throughout the City. Donations will be distributed to communities most in need by the New York State Regional Food Bank.

Over 10% of the farmers who provide fresh and local produce at Greenmarkets in the City have lost all of their crops for the year due to severe flooding during and after Hurricane Irene. We urge all New Yorkers to come together and help feed the communities that have helped feed all of us for so long.

Collections will take place in Brooklyn from 8am – 2pm at the markets and dates listed below.

Brooklyn Greenmarkets - all 9/24, 10/1, 10/8

Grand Army Plaza: Prospect Pk W & Flatbush, Saturdays

Ft. Greene: Washington Pk and Dekalb, Saturdays

Bay Ridge: 3rd Ave & 95th St, Saturdays

We are looking to get the word out to those in the community. Every little bit helps.

**Peanut Butter**

**Jelly**

**Canned Meals (Chili, Ravioli, etc.)**

**Hearty Soups**

**Cereal**

**Snack/Granola Bars**

**Pasta**

**Shelf Stable or Instant Milk**

**Crackers**

**Cookies**

**Paper Plates**

**Paper Cups**

**Diapers**

**Shampoo**

**Toothpaste**

**Disinfectant Cleaner**