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New York to Track Hurricane Sandy-Related Fundraising and Spending of 75 Charities

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Info Requested From Nonprofits Raising Funds For Hurricane Sandy Relief And Reported Online To Promote Transparency & Ensure That Funds Raised For Sandy Relief Are Used For That Purpose

The Attorney General today announced that his office has sent letters to 75 nonprofits requesting information on their fundraising and relief activities related to Hurricane Sandy. In an effort to promote transparency and donor confidence, and to ensure that funds raised for Sandy relief are properly used, the Attorney General's Charities Bureau will compile this information and report it online.

The letter sent to charities asks for certain basic information, including:

- The amount raised and spent to date for Hurricane Sandy relief;
- Whether donations will be used solely for Hurricane Sandy relief;
- The services provided to date to those affected by Hurricane Sandy;

- Whether the charity is providing funding to other organizations, or making direct financial grants to individuals, families or businesses;
- What the charity plans to do with any surplus funds.

Information obtained from the responses will be made available on the Attorney General's website. In addition to promoting transparency, this information will also assist relief organizations in coordinating their delivery of services.

The 75 organizations that were sent a letter from the Attorney General's office are:

1. AARP Foundation
2. Acupuncturists Without Borders
3. Afya Foundation
4. All Hands Volunteers
5. American Humane Association
6. American Red Cross
7. American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
8. AmeriCares Foundation, Inc.
9. Best Friends Animal Society
10. B'nai B'rith International
11. Breezy Point Hurricane Sandy Relief
12. Brooklyn Recovery Fund
13. Brother's Brother Foundation
14. Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York
15. Catholic Charities Diocese of Brooklyn and Queens, Inc.

16. Center for Disaster Philanthropy
17. Children's Hunger Fund
18. Church World Service
19. City Harvest
20. Citymeals-on-Wheels
21. Convoy of Hope
22. Direct Relief International
23. Disaster Chaplaincy Services
24. Emergency Children's Help Organization
25. Empire State Relief Fund
26. Episcopal Relief & Development
27. Feed the Children
28. Food Bank for New York City
29. Gleaning For The World
30. Goodwill Industries of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Inc.
31. Graybeards
32. Habitat for Humanity International
33. Heart to Heart International
34. Hispanic Federation
35. Hope for the Warriors
36. Hurricane Sandy Relief Foundation
37. ICNA Relief
38. International Rescue Committee

39. Islamic Relief USA
40. Jewish Disaster Response Corps
41. Kids in Distressed Situations, Inc.
42. Liberty Street Relief Fund
43. MAP International
44. Matthew 25 Ministries
45. Modest Needs Foundation
46. Movement for Peace
47. National Firefighters Endowment
48. National Urban League
49. New York Cares
50. New York Communities for Change
51. Occupy Sandy
52. Operation Blessing International
53. Rebuilding Together
54. Rebuilding Together NYC
55. Red Hook Initiative
56. Robert R. McCormick Foundation
57. Robin Hood Foundation
58. Samaritan's Purse
59. Save the Children Federation Inc.
60. ShelterBox USA
61. Staten Island Strong

62. Stephen Siller Tunnel To Towers Foundation
63. Team Rubicon
64. The Humane Society of the United States
65. The Jewish Federations of North America, Inc.
66. The Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City
67. The New York City Coalition Against Hunger
68. The Salvation Army
69. UJA-Federation of New York
70. United Methodist Committee on Relief
71. United Way of Long Island
72. United Way of New York City
73. Waves For Water
74. We Care NYC
75. World Vision International

Additional organizations are expected to be contacted by the Attorney General's office.

The Office of the Attorney General is responsible for overseeing charitable activities and fundraising in New York. The Office's Charities Bureau has established a dedicated Hurricane Sandy email address, and any complaints regarding charitable activities relating to Hurricane Sandy should be sent to:

sandyresponse@ag.ny.gov

Tips for donors supporting Hurricane Sandy relief, as well as financial reports of charities, are available on Attorney General Schneiderman's Charities Bureau website at: www.charitiesnys.com

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