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Federal Grants to Fund More Than 300 Jobs to Aid Hurricane Sandy Recovery Efforts

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Governor Cuomo <u>has announced</u> that New York State has received \$27.7 million in federal Disaster National Emergency Grant (NEG) funds.

The grant will be used to hire workers to help clean up communities affected by Hurricane Sandy in Bronx, Kings, Nassau, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Richmond, Rockland, Suffolk, Sullivan, Ulster and Westchester counties.

Workers who lost their jobs as a direct result of Hurricane Sandy or workers who were unemployed prior to the storm are eligible to apply for temporary positions. The New York State Department of Labor will work with local officials to recruit and hire workers.

To apply, contact the Department of Labor at 1-888-4-NYSDOL (1-888-469-7365) or fill out and submit the <u>online registration form</u>. Applicants can also visit their local Disaster Recovery Center or One-Stop Career Center.

Governor Cuomo is also partnering with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to hire over 300 workers to assist in recovery efforts in disaster-stricken communities.

These full-time, temporary positions are wide-ranging, from Community Relations Specialists providing outreach to the disaster-stricken communities, to administrative assistants.

To apply visit **Governor Cuomo's Jobs Express** website

Salaries are based on local wages to ensure an hourly wage comparable to the private sector. Qualified applicants selected for a position will be fingerprinted for background security checks with results within 24 to 48 hours. Approved candidates will then be formally offered positions and sworn in.