

SPECIAL STORM RECOVERY STATEMENT  
for PEQUANNOCK TOWNSHIP RESIDENTS  
As of November 6, 2012; 1:00 PM

A local State of Emergency remains in effect as a result of power outages and damage caused by Hurricane Sandy. Approximately 2,200 customers within the Township were without power last evening. According to JCP&L estimates, another 700 customers are expected to be restored today. Due to the significant amount of damage to utility equipment, it may take through the end of the week to restore service to all areas of the Township.

For your safety, drive carefully in areas where tree branches and utility lines are down near roadways. Barricades are placed to identify hazardous conditions. Do not drive around barricades. Operate generators outside with exhaust blowing away from windows and doors. DO NOT fuel a generator while running. Use only approved electrical cords and prevent overloading. Stay away from all downed utility lines - even with power out, lines can become energized from improperly installed generators. Change batteries in smoke and CO detectors to ensure they will operate properly.

A comfort station has been set up for Township residents at the Senior House - next to Town Hall. Coffee and charging stations are available from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Dinner will be served at Friendship Hall at the First Reformed Church from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM this evening. The Presbyterian Church located at 60 Sunset Road will be open overnight from 7:00 PM to 6:00 AM to provide a warm place to sleep. The American Legion Post 450 located at 11 Oak Avenue will be open from 4:00 PM to 6:00 AM - Bring Blankets or Sleeping Bags

Garbage Pickup has resumed on its regular schedule. Township crews will continue to pick up large branches. Keep storm debris separate from raked leaves to make pick up quicker and more efficient. The Leaf Vacuum program has resumed. The grace period for tax payments is until November 13th.

The School District continues to look at options for opening schools for tomorrow. Additional Information will be issued by the District later today. All Pequannock Township voting districts except Cedar Crest are voting at Pequannock Township High School today.

The Odd / Even License Plate policy is in place for getting gas. The last number in a plate is to be used to determine if it is odd or even. Vanity plates that have no numerals are considered odd. The length of gas lines can be significantly limited if motorists wait until they have less than a quarter of a tank to refuel

A Developing Storm System has caused the National Weather Service (NWS) to issue a High Wind Watch for our area from Wednesday morning through Thursday morning. Heavy rainfall is not expected to be associated with this storm for Northern New Jersey. River Flooding is not a concern at this time. Strong gusty winds could add to the damage caused by Hurricane Sandy and cause additional trees to be come down and compound the power outages that already exist.