In the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, the Department of Children and Families (DCF) is here to help through the long recovery ahead; filling service gaps as other early response and recovery funding is beginning to be exhausted. With a goal of keeping families strong, preventing the potential negative impacts of the disaster on children and families, and providing swift support and intervention, DCF is expanding or creating additional services for the individuals we serve.

**Displaced Homemakers**

To help Sandy-impacted displaced homemakers become economically self-sufficient, the New Jersey Department of Children and Families (DCF) has expanded services in eight of the State’s Displaced Homemaker Programs in areas affected by the storm. By expanding its social services—such as its Displaced Homemakers Program—New Jersey can better provide women, who are struggling with the loss of their primary source of income, the help they need as they recover from the storm.

A displaced homemaker is a person, most often a woman, who has lost her primary source of income due to divorce, separation, or death or disability of a spouse and must now obtain or refresh a skillset to re-enter the workforce. Displaced Homemaker Programs provide a range of services, including life skills development, computer literacy training, job counseling and training, job placement assistance and resources, and financial management services.

For many women in New Jersey who were already struggling to find a job, Superstorm Sandy made the challenge of doing so even more difficult. These training funds will help them gain the skills and credentials they need to re-enter the workforce with qualifications and confidence to compete and succeed.

The funds will primarily assist displaced homemakers in affected counties in successfully completing an educational program that will lead to employment. They will also aid displaced homemakers by providing a means to obtain transportation assistance, clothing allowances, food vouchers, and childcare assistance.

For more information about Displaced Homemaker programs in Superstorm Sandy-impacted counties, please see page 2.
Superstorm Sandy Expansion of Displaced Homemaker Programs

**Atlantic**
How to Work Program
The Women’s Center
1201 New Road
Cornerstone Commerce Center
Linwood, NJ 08221
(609) 601-9925 x203

**Bergen**
Bergen County Displaced Homemakers Center at the Bergen One Stop
60 State Street, 2nd Floor
Hackensack, NJ 07601
(201) 343-6000

**Essex**
Women’s Rights Information Center
108 West Palisade Avenue
Englewood, NJ 07631
(201) 568-1166

**Hudson**
Women’s Rights Information Center
108 West Palisade Avenue
Englewood, NJ 07631
(201) 568-1166

**Middlesex**
Hispanic Women’s Resource Center
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark
2201 Bergenline Avenue, 3rd Floor
Union City, NJ
(201) 325-4800

**Monmouth**
Brookdale at Long Branch
Displaced Homemakers Services
213 Broadway
Long Branch, NJ 07740
(732) 739-6020

**Ocean**
Displaced Homemakers Program of Ocean County
Ocean County College
Career, Employment, and Counseling Services
College Drive, P.O. Box 2001
Toms River, NJ 08754
(732) 255-0400 x2297

*DCF plans to develop Displaced Homemaker Programs for the Superstorm Sandy-impacted counties of Cape May, Cumberland and Union counties.*

**The complete list of displaced homemaker programs by county is available by visiting:**