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Christie Administration Announces \$11.5 Million in FEMA Funding for Department of Human Services' Disaster Case **Management Program**

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Trenton, NJ - The Christie Administration announced today that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has awarded \$11,558,582 to the New Jersey Department of Human Services' Division of Family Development (DFD) for a Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP).

The approved funding will support the unmet disaster-related needs of Hurricane Sandy survivors by offering a single point of contact to coordinate a variety of services. This includes navigating available recovery resources to address shelter and other basic needs. The program is open to all New Jersey residents, regardless of whether they are registered with FEMA or not. The case manager will work with the survivor, coordinating services with New Jersey's voluntary and charitable organizations and long-term recovery groups in local communities.

Currently, FEMA contracts with Catholic Charities USA for these case management services. These services, which are expected to be available in March, will transition from Catholic Charities to a New Jersey-based, not-for-profit agency that receives a contract under this grant.

The Disaster Case Management Program (DCMP) is a federally funded program administrated by the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). The DCMP, in partnership with the affected State, enables a whole community approach through funding support to voluntary, faith-based and nonprofit organizations. The DCMP promotes: (a) effective delivery of post-disaster case management services, (b) partner integration, (c) provider capacity building, and (d) State level program development. When requested and approved, the program provides funding and technical assistance to ensure holistic services to disaster survivors.

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