

# ENGLEWOOD IDA RECOVERY TEAM

After the storm subsided, Englewood residents sprung into action. People and organizations from across the City came together to help those left in dire need by the devastating flood.

Local nonprofits, city services, social service agencies, religious groups, and proprietary entities joined forces to form the Englewood Ida Recovery Team. The Team is currently comprised of over 30 community organizations and extremely diverse groups of countless volunteers. Our focus is to identify, assist and address the immediate and longer term needs of the flood victims in the City of Englewood. Our first priority was getting food to people in the flooded areas; many lost refrigerators, stoves and food. We marshalled resources of volunteers, donations and restaurants to purchase meals from local restaurants and deliver to homes in heavily impacted areas.

Also of immediate and continuing importance is relaying accurate and consistent information to those impacted by the storm as well as to the community at large. Information about various types of assistance and how to apply is key, as is access to resources available. Continue to check this website and our Facebook page (Englewood Ida Recovery Team) for updates.

Our recovery initiative is being coordinated by Janet Sharma, President of Flat Rock Brook Nature Center and Coordinator of Age-Friendly Englewood. Janet has prior disaster recovery experience directing the Bergen County Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) for 16 years. Janet and her team at the Volunteer Center of Bergen County (now [Bergen Volunteers](#)) also set up a Hurricane Sandy Recovery Center and Long Term Recovery process which was a model in the State of New Jersey.

The Englewood Ida Recovery Team represents Englewood's trusted, longtime community leaders, stalwart organizations, and pillars of our City — all familiar names and well-respected groups that are always here, and will continue to be here for Englewood and its residents throughout the recovery from Tropical Storm Ida.