



City of Long Beach

Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act



The City of Long Beach is pleased to join Governor Cuomo's "**Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act.**" This legislation allows municipalities to lower the 2012-13 tax assessment of properties that lost a certain percentage of their structural value due to Superstorm Sandy.

The "**Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act**" will allow the City to adjust, retroactively, any property tax assessment to account for losses in value due to Superstorm Sandy.

Understanding the "Superstorm Sandy Assessment Relief Act"

- This act allows taxing jurisdictions such as the City of Long Beach and Nassau County to provide relief to property owners for damage to the improvements on property caused by Superstorm Sandy during the period beginning October 29, 2012 and ending November 3, 2012.
- The act applies to all improved properties and is not limited to residential property.
- Effectively provides relief if an assessment roll has a taxable status date prior to October 28, 2012 for taxes levied on that roll that are payable without interest on or after October 28, 2012.
- Nassau County will be conducting the initial application process.
- Qualifying property owners will have until **January 21, 2014** to make a formal written request to the Nassau County Assessor.
- The amount of a tax refund, credit or assessment reduction will depend upon the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) damage assessment determination and/or information provided to the Nassau County Department of Assessment based on bills paid to licensed contractors or paid homeowner insurance claims.
- Once approved qualified applicants will receive two separate tax rebate checks, one from the City of Long Beach and the other from Nassau County.

Applying for the Tax Credit

- Property owners should complete the NYS Superstorm Sandy Relief Application (RP-5849-APP) that has been prepared by the NYS Office of Real Property Tax Services. The form is available on the City of Long Beach website at www.longbeachny.gov.
- Along with the completed application residents must submit any and all cost estimates as well as all determinations by FEMA and all reports from their insurance adjuster.
- Homeowners who filed a "*Property Damage Review Form*" with the Nassau County Department of Assessment will not have to resubmit any additional paperwork unless asked to do so by the County.
- Applications should be mailed to:

**Nassau County Department of Assessment
240 Old Country Road
Mineola, NY 11501**

- Additional information on the program can be found on the City's website at www.longbeachny.gov or by contacting the Nassau County Tax Assessor's Office directly at (516) 571-1500 or by email at NCSandyRelief@nassaucountyny.gov.