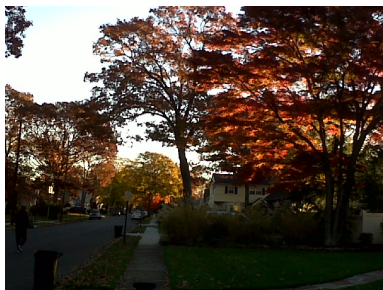




## Weathering Repairs from Storms

Homeowners and renters have gone through the damages of wind and rain in the Northeast and Central regions of our country.

For some, insurance has covered damages from the storm. In some cases, a Public Adjuster was hired by the insurance policy holder as a means to negotiate and satisfy a figure that would cover repairs and lost items resulting from the damage.



Help was on the way to severe weather areas with provisions from prepared citizens along with local and federal assistance. Here are some helpful contacts people have utilized to begin repairing damage to the land and property not covered by insurance:

FEMA - Homeowners must contact their insurance company first. If damage is not covered by your insurance, contact Federal Disaster Assistance at:

<http://www.disasterassistance.gov>

Preparation has been key for many with young children, elderly, people in need of medication, medical services and pets.

### Are You Ready?

- [Download Are You Ready? \(PDF\)](#)  
**An In-depth Guide to Citizen Preparedness.**

We are interested in providing feedback to local and federal organizations to improve services for our communities:

Was your property effected? If so, how is your recovery? *Contact Employees' Assistance* →

## Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD)

The death of an employee or customer, a suicide, robbery, natural disaster, or other violent event at the work-site or in the community; these are all examples of a "critical incident." These critical events may have a profound effect on a work unit and individual employees.

Research indicates that when individuals are given the opportunity to participate in a CISD session soon after a traumatic event, they are much less likely to develop long term problems. Stress is identified, addressed and normalized. The parameters for recovery from the critical incident are explored to enable the start of recovery.

New Bridge has seen the power of CISD to reinforce resilience and the empowerment of employees to continue performing effectively in providing necessary services on the job.

## Veterans and Eligible Spouses Priority

**Department of Labor** offers *Priority of Service* to veterans and their eligible spouses. This means that if you served in the military, you will:

- Be served first by the next available staff member.
- Get first priority for jobs and training for which you are eligible and qualified.

Local Veterans' Employment Representatives are specially trained veterans. They can help you in every area of your job search, including:

- Skills assessment
- Exploring training options
- Preparing a resume
- Job search help
- Referral to jobs
- Calling businesses on your behalf
- Referrals for veteran's support services

Contact Department of Labor /  
Local Veterans' Employment Representative:  
<http://labor.state.ny.us/vets/employspec/veteranemployspec.shtm>

Do you need more help? E-mail Department of Labor at [VetsAsk@labor.ny.gov](mailto:VetsAsk@labor.ny.gov)

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## Confidential Counseling

## Crossword Puzzle - Answer Key

**Down** 1. Quid Pro Quo 2. Hostile

3. empower 4. Anger 5. Verbal 6. EEO

**Across:** 7. Others 8. Investigate 9. EAP

10. Resolve 11. Unwelcome