



# Village of Washingtonville

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## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Joseph Bucco

Dear residents of the Village of Washingtonville,

I trust that this message finds everyone safe and healthy in the wake of Tropical Storm Ida's flood-inducing rainfall. Please know that Village of Washingtonville Department of Public Works employees, have been working relentlessly to ensure that clogged culverts, storm drains have been cleared.

I also just conferred with Town Supervisor Rob Jeroloman and followed up with a meeting with the Manager of Orange County's Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and Emergency Planner, Dominick Greene. Mr. Greene advises that there may be funds available for "individual assistance" from FEMA. He encouraged us to manage expectations, as there will be "needs based" assessments. This translates to the construct that bases relief monies on your household income level, as well as your existing insurance coverage. Items such as structural damage, loss of furnace, or electrical panel compromise are considered priorities. Other appliances, say a second refrigerator in your basement are obviously lower-priority losses. FEMA allows 22 days from disaster event for the County to submit a list of residents' claims. Keep in mind, any individual claim may or may not be entertained. But we would be derelict in not compiling a list for submission and ascertaining what, if anything, can/may be replaced by FEMA.

With this in mind. I must have said list turned over to Orange County no later than Monday, September 20th, 2021. Therefore, any resident interested in submitting for potential claim consideration MUST have the below information emailed to the Village Hall Clerk at [christine@washingtonville-ny.gov](mailto:christine@washingtonville-ny.gov) or [mayor@washingtonville-ny.gov](mailto:mayor@washingtonville-ny.gov) by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, September 17th, 2021.

Residents who sustained damage to their property, please provide ONLY the following general information:

Name, address, email address, telephone number and a brief description of the damages you have incurred. Please include a general description of flood damage; location such as basement, first floor, second floor; and types of damage and loss, i.e. electrical, furnace, finished basement, personal property, etc.

Thank you for your patience during our response to this weather event.

Joseph Bucco  
Mayor