

Dear Editor;

The **Rebuild Hoboken Relief Fund** is a unique, community, grassroots, not-for-profit organization formed in November 2013 to help individuals, families, small businesses and charities recover from losses suffered as a result of disasters such as super-storm Sandy. Thanks to the generosity of over 900 individuals and corporations, the Fund raised in excess of one million dollars in less than three months. In March 2013 almost five hundred applicants received checks for \$1,976.29 to assist with their recovery process.

The Board of Trustees of the Fund extends our deepest gratitude to the individuals, corporations and agencies that assisted in this effort. Many gave generously, including a \$250,000 contribution from Haven Savings and numerous other corporate and individual sponsors who made significant contributions. A list of donors contributing \$5000 or more can be found on the Fund's website at www.rebuildhoboken.com .

Mayor Dawn Zimmer, Bernard Kenny, Jr Esq. and Joseph Mindak served as members of the Board of Trustees from the inception of the fund through May 2013. The Board of Trustees recognizes the significant contribution each made to the success of the Fund and thanks them for their service. In May 2013 Eugene Flinn, Barbara Bravo and Chris Mackin joined the Fund's Board of Trustees.

The participation and generosity of all involved in the Rebuild Hoboken Relief Fund is an example of the strength of our Hoboken community. Hoboken truly is "stronger than the storm" and the individuals and organizations who supported the Fund and continue to assist in many ways in Hoboken's recovery are truly Hoboken heroes.

The Board of Trustees of the Rebuild Hoboken Relief Fund