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Dear Providers:

**WE HAVE GREAT NEWS FOR CHILD CARE PROVIDERS!!!!**

Did you know that Governor Cuomo has been successful at bringing over \$200 million in federal Social Services Block Grant Supplemental funds to New York State?

**What this means to you as a child care provider**

If you had any damage to your child care program due to Superstorm Sandy, you should apply for these funds. To address the needs of child care providers who were impacted by Superstorm Sandy and the children they serve, the State of New York will distribute \$200,034,600 in federal Superstorm Sandy Social Services Block Grant funding through an application process.

**What can these funds be used for?**

Funding is available for repairs, renovations and rebuilding of child care facilities in both family-based and center-based programs, as well as other social services providers that have been impacted by Superstorm Sandy. Child care providers who have been impacted by Superstorm Sandy may apply for funding:

- To get reimbursed for repairs, renovations and rebuilding that already occurred AND/OR
- For work that needs to happen to repair, renovate or rebuild the child care program

**How can I apply?**

PROVIDERS SHOULD CLICK ON THE FOLLOWING LINK TO APPLY FOR FUNDING:

<http://www.nysandyhelp.ny.gov/content/sandy-social-services-block-grant-ssbg-funding>

For those who don't have internet access, please request a paper application from the sources listed below.

**THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION IS 3:00 PM ON AUGUST 30, 2013!**

**Other questions?**

If you have any questions about this important funding opportunity, or if you don't have computer access and need a paper application, please call your local Child Care Resource and Referral agency or your local NYS Office of Children and Family Services Regional Office (see links below):

- Child Care Resource and Referral Agency: <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/referralagencys.asp>
- Local NYS Office of Children and Family Services Regional Office: <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/childcare/regionaloffices.asp>
- Via email to [SandySSBG.Solicitation@ocfs.ny.gov](mailto:SandySSBG.Solicitation@ocfs.ny.gov) with SSBG in the subject line.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Janice Molnar'.

Janice M. Molnar Ph.D.  
Division of Child Care Services

**Si necesita leer esta carta en español, visite el portal de la División de Servicios de Cuidado Infantil en <http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/childcare/letters.asp>. Si no tiene acceso a la Red o Internet, contacte al encargado de licencias o registros para recibir ayuda.**