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**FEMA**

**Disaster Survivor Assistance (DSA)Teams**

**DSA Mission Essential Tasks:**

Assess, Inform and Report (AIR), Registration Intake, Survivor Case Updates/Inquiries,

FEMA Disaster Survivor Assistance teams will be in the **Hillside Township** area beginning **Tuesday, Oct 5, 2021**.

The DSA teams will be canvasing*/*walking throughimpacted neighborhoods, distributing informational flyers, and helping survivors in the following ways:

* Assisting survivors to register for FEMA assistance.
* Checking the status of an application already in the system and can make minor changes to applications.
* Making callsto faith-based organizations, community-based organizations, private sector (businesses) and public libraries that may have the capability to distribute disaster-related information to survivors in the impacted counties.

Information provided by the teams are tailored to the individual survivor’s needs and may include information on making temporary repairs to a disaster-damaged house, pay for another short-term place to live while permanent repairs are made and/or help with serious, disaster-related needs not covered by other programs.

DSA teams can easily be identified by their federal photo identification and FEMA clothing. **New Jersey residents are reminded to ask for official photo identification before sharing personal information**.

The teams are following CDC safety guidelines for COVID-19 including social distancing and use of protective equipment.