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## Temporary Relocation FAQ

### **When will Build it Back start making temporary relocation assistance available to applicants?**

Build it Back's plans to provide temporary relocation assistance are currently under federal and public review as part of the City's proposed Action Plan Amendment 8. In order to receive Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the City must create an Action Plan that identifies how the City will use the funding to help New Yorkers. Subject to federal approval of Action Plan Amendment 8, Build it Back will begin making assistance available. The City does not expect HUD approval before the spring of 2015.

For more information about the Action Plan process, please see: [www.nyc.gov/cdbg](http://www.nyc.gov/cdbg).

### **Who will be eligible for relocation assistance?**

Relocation assistance will be made available to all Program-eligible homeowners who must vacate their homes for at least 30 days during construction. Assistance will only be provided for costs incurred during the period of construction by the Build it Back program.

### **How much assistance will I be able to receive?**

Relocation assistance will be limited to a fixed monthly housing payment. Build it Back has not yet determined the exact limit for assistance that will be provided, but it will be tied to HUD-established fair market rents for New York City.

### **What will I need to do in order to receive relocation assistance?**

You will need to submit hotel or rental receipts for costs incurred if you are out of your home due to construction by Build it Back.

### **I am currently displaced by Build it Back construction. Am I eligible?**

Build it Back does not know if it will be allowed to pay applicants for expenses incurred before HUD approves the Action Plan. If you are displaced for greater than 30 days due to Build it Back construction, please keep your receipts.

### **I am currently displaced due to the damage in my home from Sandy. Am I eligible?**

Build it Back only provides relocation assistance for the period of displacement caused by Build it Back construction and is unable to provide relocation payments for other factors. The Program is working on a process to address the needs of applicants with pre-construction temporary housing expenses so that they can use housing recovery benefits received from other sources to offset those expenses.

Please check back in the future for updates on program implementation.



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