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### **Superstorm Sandy: Ready for Next Time?**

*WHYY/Newsworks and the Penn Project for Civic Engagement Host Series of Community Forums about the Jersey Shore after Sandy*

PHILADELPHIA, July 1, 2013 — WHYY/Newsworks and the Penn Project for Civic Engagement will host a series of five community forums focusing on the Jersey Shore after hurricane Sandy. The event series kicks off at WHYY in Philadelphia, PA on July 15, with subsequent forums taking place in and around the Jersey Shore. These events are free and open to the public. Schedule of events:

July 15, 7:00 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.)  
WHYY  
150 North Sixth St.  
Philadelphia, PA

July 30, 6:45 p.m. (doors open at 6:00 p.m.)  
Middle Township High School  
300 East Atlantic Ave.  
Cape May Court House, NJ

August 5, 6:45 p.m. (doors open at 6:00 p.m.)  
Atlantic Cape Community College  
5100 Black Horse Pike  
Mays Landing, NJ

August 27, 12:30 p.m. (doors open at 12:00 p.m.)  
St. Francis Community Center  
4700 Long Beach Blvd.  
Long Beach Township, NJ

August 27, 6:45 p.m. (doors open at 6:00 p.m.)  
Tuckerton Seaport Museum  
120 W. Main St.,  
Tuckerton, NJ

Citizens who live, vacation or make a living at the Jersey Shore are welcome to participate in this free public dialogue where trained moderators will motivate discussion among participants about what individuals, communities and governments can do to limit the harm done by the next storm.





“The Penn Project for Civic Engagement takes pride in facilitating public deliberations on important policy issues,” said Dr. Harris Sokoloff, Penn Project for Civic Engagement’s director and co-founder. “This series of community forums unites stakeholder values with expert knowledge and leadership to think through the lessons from Superstorm Sandy and better prepare for the future.”

“Only you know what hopes and fears you have about the Shore's future. That's expertise that this conversation needs,” said Chris Satullo, vice president of news and civic dialogue at WHYY. “Information collected at these events will be handed off to partners doing work under the New Jersey Recovery Fund, to inform their diverse efforts and give ordinary people an effective voice in the future of the Shore.”

Input from participants will inform the work being done by grantees of the New Jersey Recovery Fund, including Creative New Jersey, Sustainable New Jersey and the Citizens Campaign. This series of events was made possible by generous funding from The New Jersey Recovery Fund at the Community Foundation of New Jersey. For more information, visit [WHYY.kintera.org/njforums](http://WHYY.kintera.org/njforums).

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