



# BOROUGH OF WOODCLIFF LAKE

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Dear Resident:

Due to recent extraordinary weather conditions, including a hurricane, flooding and a new challenge of a historic pre Halloween snow storm, I would like to inform all residents as to the events of this past weekend and how the Borough has reacted.

As you have all experienced, there has been Borough-wide damage to our tree inventory, on both municipal and private property and significant power outages, not only here in Woodcliff Lake but throughout the entire Pascack Valley. The utility company (PSE&G) is calling for crews from across the Northeast to assist in the effort to restore power to homes and businesses.

The Borough has taken the following measures:

- Mayor LaPaglia has declared a storm emergency in Woodcliff Lake and we have opened a warming center at the Tice Senior Community Center for our residents. The center will be open daily until no longer needed. Coffee and hot tea will be available.
- Borough Hall is available for residents to charge their cell phones and laptops, Monday through Friday 8:30 to 4:30 p.m.
- We ask that you check on neighbors who may be elderly or disabled to ensure they are safe.
- Storm debris (limbs and branches) may be placed at the curb for pick-up through the end of this week. Kindly tie loose branches and cut limbs to a manageable length, if possible.
- We have been in constant communication with PSE&G since the storm began on Saturday (10/28). They have been over-whelmed by the extent of the damage caused by snow laden trees falling on power lines throughout the entire area. They have brought additional repair crews in from as far away as Florida, Mississippi and Ohio to help them cope with the repairs. We expect to have some power restored by Wednesday (11/2) and full restoration by Friday (11/4).
- We are also recommending every resident sign-up with NIXLE, a free community advisory system at the Borough's website [www.wclnj.com](http://www.wclnj.com) to receive important messages. During emergencies, the Borough issues alerts and updates through the NIXLE Messaging System.

Thank you in advance for your assistance, courtesies and understanding during these challenging conditions and should you have any questions or comments, please telephone me at Borough Hall (201)391-4977 extension #216.

Sincerely,

Wolfgang Albrecht, Borough Administrator