

FloodHelpNY

A project of the Center for NYC Neighborhoods

You may be eligible to receive a free backwater valve installation if all of the following apply:

- 1) You're the owner of the property, and it's your primary residence;
- 2) Your property has 1-4 residential units;
- 3) Your property is in an eligible New York Rising neighborhood within the boundaries determined by the Governor's Office of Storm Recovery (GOSR). Eligible neighborhoods include Lower Manhattan, Rockaway East, Southeast Brooklyn Waterfront (Bergen Beach, Georgetown, Marine Park, Mill Basin, and Mill Island, Gravesend and Bensonhurst, Red Hook, Howard Beach, Gerritsen Beach and Sheepshead Bay, and the Southern Brooklyn Peninsula (Sea Gate, Coney Island, Brighton Beach, and Manhattan Beach);
- 4) Your property is connected to New York City's municipal sewer;
- 5) You do not have a sewer backwater valve installed on your property;
- 6) You have not already received disaster assistance for an installation of a sewer backwater valve (duplication of benefits);
- 7) You owned the property during Superstorm Sandy;
- 8) You have flood insurance, if your property is located in a flood zone for which flood insurance is required; AND
- 9) You have homeowners insurance;
- 10) Your gross annual household income is less than 80% of the Area Median Income. Using your household size and gross income, refer to the table below to see if you meet this requirement.

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Maximum Income	\$63,680	\$72,800	\$81,920	\$90,960	\$98,240	\$105,520	\$112,800	\$120,080

Participation does not guarantee that you will receive a sewer backwater valve. To receive one, the following, at minimum, must also apply:

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- 11) The engineer who completes your Home Resiliency Audit determines that your property is likely to benefit from the installation of a sewer backwater valve;
- 12) The existing conditions at your property allow for the safe installation of a sewer backwater valve, as determined by the Center, Engineer, plumber and/or inspector.

What if I'm not eligible?

If you don't meet these eligibility requirements but are interested in hearing from us when new flood resiliency programs become available or if our eligibility requirements change, please give us a call at 646-786-0888 or email us at info@floodhelpny.org.

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