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*****Notice to Residents*****

Re: Notice to Owners of Substantially Damaged and Non-Compliant Structures within the Flood Zones.

Dear Resident:

FEMA's Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) is offering a grant program this year. This program provides funding to States and Communities to assist in their efforts to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to homes that are not in compliance by either raising the structure or demolish and rebuild. FEMA will contribute up to 75 percent of the total eligible activity cost of the project which means you would be responsible for 25 percent of the total eligible cost to raise your home. The homeowner must pay up front 100% of all costs and will then be reimbursed after construction of the home. The information on this grant can be obtained on the FEMA website www.fema.gov/flood mitigation assistance grant program.

Also, FEMA may contribute up to 90 percent Federal cost share for Repetitive Loss Properties and up to 100 percent Federal cost share for Severe Repetitive Loss Properties.

Repetitive Loss are homes that have had flood related damages on two separate occasions and Severe Repetitive Loss are homes that had flood damages on four separate occasions.

If you would like to apply for the 2022 FMA grant program please email the following information to Jamie Zimmerman, Jamison.zimmerman@rve.com, Flood Mitigation Officer for Berkeley Township:

1. Copy of your Elevation Certificate
2. Copy of your insurance policy
3. A cost estimate to elevate your home
4. A construction schedule.

The cost estimate shall include:

1. Cost of Elevating your structure in detail (material, labor and associated costs); or
2. Anticipated environmental mediation costs
3. Engineering Design Costs
4. Architectural Design Costs
5. Survey Costs

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6. Pile Costs
7. Soil Analysis Costs
8. Site preparation Costs
9. Material Disposal Costs.

The construction schedule shall include:

1. Each Item as mentioned in the construction estimate.
2. The estimated start date of each item.
3. The Length of time each item will take to complete.
4. Who the work will be completed by.
5. The total Duration of the project.

Our office will be filling in and submitting the application by November 15, 2022. We need to receive all information by November 1, 2022. Please understand that the Township cannot guarantee you will be deemed eligible but is offering its services to assist you as best we can.

In addition to the FMA Grant program, the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides Increase Cost of Compliance Coverage (ICC) coverage to up to \$30,000 for those homes that have be Substantially Damaged. This is an additional coverage that goes towards the cost of elevating or demolish and rebuild your home. Contact your insurance carrier for the ICC funding available to you.

The above information has been provided to you to assist in mitigating your structure, reducing your flood insurance rates and to bring your structure into compliance with the Berkeley Township Ordinances and FEMA regulations. Should you have any questions regarding the information provided, please contact me at Remington & Vernick Engineers, 732-286-9220, or at jamison.zimmerman@rve.com.