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ASTORIA BLACKOUT 2006

Power Outages in Astoria, Queens - New York City

The City is working with Con Edison to restore and maintain power as quickly as possible. Con Ed reports that power should be restored to most Astoria residents and businesses by Sunday, July 23 at the latest.

If you are experiencing a power outage, contact Con Edison at 800.75.CONED (752.6633).

■ Con Ed



Updates: www.coned.com

Dry Ice: Con Ed is providing dry ice at distribution centers at Ditmars Boulevard and Steinway Street in Astoria.

Outreach Advocates: The Long Island City YMCA is located at 32-23 Queens Blvd, between 32nd and 33rd Streets in Long Island City.

Claims: Con Ed representatives will be available at both locations to help customers process claim forms, which are also available at www.coned.com.

Con Ed's Customer Service: 800.752.6633

To File A Claim for Food Spoilage Losses Online:

www.coned.com/customercentral/lawclaims.asp

■ NYC Office of Emergency Management



Special Services Center: The City has opened a Special Services Center for individuals and businesses who have been without power for several days. The Center is located at 45-22 32nd Pl., between Queens Boulevard and 47th Avenue, and is open Friday, July 21 until 6:00 pm.

Call 311: For any information and concerns not relating to Con Ed (full language capacity).

Updates: www.nyc.gov/html/oem/home.html

Preparedness Tips:

www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/hazards/utilities.shtm

www.nyc.gov/html/oem/html/hazards/utilities_power.shtm

■ American Red Cross in Greater New York



Updates: www.nyredcross.org

Volunteers: The Salvation Army and the American Red Cross are working closely with OEM to meet people's needs. If anyone is interested in becoming a volunteer for The Salvation Army's disaster services team, contact 212.337.7459.

■ The Salvation Army of Greater New York



Mobile Canteens: The Salvation Army's mobile canteens have been deployed in the Astoria Community distributing bottled water and snacks. The vehicles and crews have been to various locations such as train stations, fire stations and community centers. They have been supporting the NYPD at the city command post at Astoria Park on Hoyt Avenue and 19th Street where OEM and the NYPD have set up a staging area for police and traffic agents assisting with transportation issues such as loss of traffic lights and additional congestion. Volunteers are being rotated in throughout the day and night with additional help coming from The Salvation Army's local Corps Community Center in Astoria on Broadway.

Updates: www1.salvationarmy.org/use/www_use.nsf

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■ Astoria Houses of Worship Offering Assistance

All Saints' Episcopal Church

43-12 46th Street

Office Tel: 718.784.8031

Home Tel: 718.729.8523 (Call Rector Joseph Jerome and he will come and open the church if the office has closed)

They have partial power, no A/C, but it is fairly cool. There is a sign posted outside the church that people can come in to cool off.

Al-Osman & Hamid Jame Masjid Mosque

39-17 Greenpoint Avenue Astoria, NY 11104

718.361.7682

It is open and people may come in to cool off. Open for prayers on Friday all day. All are welcome.

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church

43-19 30th Avenue Astoria, NY 11103 (between 43rd and 44th Streets)

718.278.1611

The Rev. John P. Harrington (Ext. 4)

The office is open Monday thru Friday 9:00 am-12:00 pm and 1:00-9:00 pm.

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