

## **Flood insurance program extends Proof of Loss deadline for Sandy claims**

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On October 1st, 2013, the National Flood Insurance Program extended the deadline for filing Superstorm Sandy proofs of loss for another 6 months past the current October 28th, 2013 deadline. United Policyholders commends the program for giving this much needed breathing room to property owners. With the storm's anniversary approaching, many Sandy victims were scrambling to find qualified and affordable experts and help completing paperwork. NFIP Proof of Loss requirements are very specific. Property owners will not recover full flood insurance benefits for their losses unless they comply with the sworn proof of loss requirement and submit complete documentation of all damage.

Executive Director Amy Bach taught Roadmap to Recovery workshops in New Jersey on September 24th and 25th aimed at helping residents, case managers and legal services attorneys navigate the proof of loss requirement and prepare for the upcoming anniversary of Superstorm Sandy. Bach worked over the past weekend with Touro Law Professor Ben Rajotte on a letter requesting the extension.