CLEVELAND, OH - The American Red Cross NEO Region announces the current status of shelter operations and they are as follows:

Mentor Senior Center Shelter

8484 Munson Road, Mentor, Ohio, Lake County

*****(now closed) transitioned to a Reception Center now open at:**

Fairport Harbor Senior Center

1380 East Street, Fairport Harbor, Ohio, Lake County

(Hours of operation 8:00am- 8:00pm)

Christ Lutheran Church

4501 Clinton Ave., Lorain, Ohio, Lorain County

*****(now closed) transitioned to the following location:**

St. Joe's Church Shelter

32929 Lake Rd., Avon Lake, Ohio, Lorain County

Expected time to open is 7:00 pm and will stay open until further notice.

Garfield Middle School Shelter– open until further notice

13114 Detroit Road, Lakewood, Ohio, Cuyahoga County

Brooklyn Senior Center Shelter – open until further notice

7727 Memphis Avenue, Brooklyn, Ohio, Cuyahoga County

Thurgood Marshall Recreation Center Shelter – open until further notice

8611 Hough Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, Cuyahoga County

Anyone who plans to stay in a Red Cross shelter should bring prescription medications, extra clothing, pillows, blankets, hygiene supplies, important documents and other comfort items. Don’t forget to bring any special items for children, such as diapers, formula and toys, or items for family members who have unique needs (i.e., canes, walkers, hearing aids, CPAP

machines). Service animals may stay in a Red Cross shelter; other arrangements need to be made for family pets.

American Red Cross will staff shelters, provide food, and cots for sleeping. There will be 24-hour security on-site at these shelters.

The Response to Hurricane Sandy locally and nationally is very large and very costly and the Red Cross needs your help now-see below:

- To donate visit http://www.redcross.org/" href="http://www.redcross.org/">www.redcross.org, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or text the REDCROSS to 90999 to make a $10 donation.
- Your gift enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, emotional support and other assistance to those affected.
- Contributions may also be sent to your local Red Cross Chapter or to the American Red Cross, P.O. Box 37243, Washington, DC 20013.