



Old Saybrook

Tropical Storm Isaias Recovery – Friday AM

The following Community Update is being provided to you from the Town of Old Saybrook Emergency Operations Center.

The intent of this document is to provide a summary of preparedness, response and other government activities related to Tropical Storm Isaias.

Good Morning – Good News!

- Eversource is in Town working. They are currently working to finally CLEAR School House Road! We are also expecting them to fully restore Ingham Hill Road Today. They will also begin to make restoration efforts on School House Road.
- There are now 1, 886 residents without power. While this is good news if your power was restored last night, 26 % of our community still does not have power. However, we are in much better shape today and things should only keep getting better!
- Eversource states that they hope to have a majority of their customers restored by Tuesday August 11th, with a large majority of their customers being restored before that time.
- The Recovery Center served more than 350 people yesterday. While we wish they did not need the resource, we are happy to provide them with assistance.
- If you have an essential medical device with batteries that need to be charged, and have no power, call us and we will pick them up, charge them for you, and return them when charging is complete.
- If you have any medication that needs to be refrigerated, and you are still without power, simply call us and we will devise a plan to assist you. No problem!

Recovery Center is OPEN!

- The Town's Recovery Center is now **OPEN** and YES – we have tents!
- The Recovery Center is located at the Old Saybrook Senior High School – 1111 Boston Post Road.
- Masks **MUST** be worn at the Recovery Center.
- Masks are available should you need one.
- We are offering tented charging stations and work stations, ice, free WiFi, hot showers, and an ice cold bottle of water.
- If you have well water and have no power, you may also fill up containers of water at the recovery center.
- Private shower stalls are available and will be cleaned between uses. Please expect a socially distanced line outside when you arrive.
- We will have individual soap, shampoo, tooth paste, and a toothbrush available for your use. We will also have towels – but you may bring our own towels and shower supplies if you wish.
- If you are looking to charge your device, use the wifi, enjoy a cold bottle of water, or desire a shower please enter the main parking lot of the high school and park your vehicle in a parking space. We also have internet access parking available.
- If you will be filling containers with water or need ice please park in front of the high school in the fire lane.

- If you forget where to go – no worries – just go to the High School - Police Department staff will be available to assist you.
- **The Recovery Center will remain open until 9 PM tonight.**

Some Final Thoughts...

- Cleanup continues! The Public Works Crew has been hard at work! We thank them for their great work!
- The only place you should be bringing storm debris is the Transfer Station. There is NO OTHER debris management site.
- The Town will continue to strongly advocate on your behalf with Eversource to get the power back on.
- We thank the dedicated line workers and tree crews from Eversource and their mutual aid partners. The people with boots on the ground truly want to get work done and your power back on in the quickest and safest manner. Please do not express your frustrations with Eversource with them. They do not run the company. Instead, cheer them on! They are working very hard!
- Additional Police Patrols continue in areas that are without power and that are isolated. We also have additional staff on hand to answer your phone calls should you have a need or a question.
- Should you need any assistance, other than turning your power back on, please contact our Emergency Communication Center at 860-395-3142. We would be happy to speak with you!
- The Town of Old Saybrook stands at the ready to help all of our residents and is proud to offer you these resources as we recover from Tuesday's Storm
- The Old Saybrook Office of Emergency Management will provide another update this evening.
- We are One Community – One Team. Stay Safe Old Saybrook.

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