

Today's Lead: Obama Expected to Ask for \$50 Billion in Storm Aid

Posted on Dec 06, Posted by [David Howard King](#) Category [City](#)

Obama Expected to Ask For \$50 Billion in Storm Aid

President Barack Obama is expected to ask Congress for about \$45 to \$50 billion in storm aid [reports The New York Times](#)

. That figure is far below the \$82 billion requested by New York, New Jersey at Connecticut "While \$50 billion is a significant amount of money, it unfortunately does not meet all of New York and New Jersey's substantial needs," Senators Charles E. Schumer and Kirsten E. Gillibrand of New York and Frank R. Lautenberg and Robert Menendez of New Jersey, all Democrats, said in a joint statement. The storm aid may get tangled up in the battle between President Barack Obama and Republican legislators over debt and tax rates.

In the Press...

[Cuomo Plans to Stay Out of NYC Mayoral Race](#) (NY Observer)

[Rockaways Newspaper, The Wave, Back in Print](#) (City Room)

[Sandy Changes Script for Mayor's Race](#) (NY Times)

[Cuomo's Litmus Test For Political Support](#) (Gotham Gazette)

[DiNapoli: Fiscal Cliff Could Cost State \\$42 Billion](#) (Albany Times Union)

[Tension Mounting Over Virtually All White Senate Ruling Coalition](#) (NY Post)

[NYC Board of Elections Broke State Rules With Long Lines](#) (Daily News)

[Major League Soccer Coming to Queens?](#) (NY Times)

[Utility Probe Begins Today](#) (the Post Standard)

Tags: Tagged in: [Al Sharpton](#) [Barack Obama](#) [Charles Schumer](#) [fiscal cliff](#)

[Gov. Andrew Cuomo](#)

[hurricane sandy](#)

[Joe Lhota](#)

[Kirsten Gillibrand](#)

[Mayor Michael Bloomberg](#)

[rockaways](#)

[Tom DiNapoli](#)