

Funds to repair Sandydamaged sewerage plant

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U.S. Sens. Bob Menendez and Cory Booker announced the awarding of \$2.12 million to the Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to repair damages caused by Superstorm Sandy.

"Since Superstorm Sandy hit in 2012, we've made great progress repairing New Jersey's communities and infrastructure," Menendez said. "This federal funding will allow Passaic Valley Sewerage Commission to better serve residents and mitigate the risk of damage from future storms."

"Superstorm Sandy left our already aging infrastructure in dire need of repair," Booker said. "The fact is, we need robust investment in water and waste-

water infrastructure to ensure the health and safety of New Jersey families.

"These federal dollars will help strengthen New Jersey's critical infrastructure and make it more resilient in the face of future disasters," Booker added.

The award will go toward repairing conduits and electrical wiring in the sewage plant, making it a safer work place for all the plant's employees.

Last year, Sen. Menendez introduced the National Flood Insurance Program Reauthorization and Reform Act of 2019, which tackles systemic problems with flood insurance, puts it back on solid fiscal ground, and reframes the nation's entire disaster paradigm to one that focuses more on prevention and mitigation to spare the high cost of rebuilding after flood disasters.