

East End Disability Associates, Inc.
Long Island, New York
CDFI: The Disability Opportunity Fund

East End Disability Associates, Inc. (EEDA) is a nonprofit organization that provides supports and services for people with developmental disabilities on Long Island. Its various programs include “respite services” for children with varying disabilities. During Superstorm Sandy, the home being rented by EEDA to provide respite services was inadequate to handle the loss of power and was forced to close for a number of weeks. EEDA’s management approached the Disability Opportunity Fund (DOF), a certified CDFI, with an idea to purchase their own home that they could prepare for continual services in the event of other events, weather-related or otherwise. They have already received donations for a down-payment on the house; DOF will finance the acquisition and minor renovations for this home (approximately \$500,000).

