



**Wednesday, April 8, 2009
Brooklyn Borough Hall
209 Joralemon Street**

**BETWEEN COURT & ADAMS STREETS
DOWNTOWN BROOKLYN**

**BOROUGH PRESIDENT MARTY MARKOWITZ,
ELECTED OFFICIALS AND ITALIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY
ANNOUNCE FUND FOR THE QUAKE VICTIMS IN ITALY**

On Wednesday, April 8, Brooklyn Borough President Marty Markowitz, along with Francesco Maria Taló, Consul General of Italy in New York, members of the Italian-American community and elected officials announced the creation of a fund to assist Italy earthquake victims.

The Federation of Italian-American Organizations of Brooklyn is asking that donations be made payable to FIAO Earthquake Relief Fund and mailed to:

FIAO, 7403 18th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York 11204.

Checks can also be dropped off at Brooklyn Borough Hall and the offices of Council Member Vincent Gentile. Because of the dangerous conditions in the quake zone, monetary donations are encouraged so that relief agencies on the ground can prioritize the basic needs of victims and their families.

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