

# CALLING FOR A CONCRETE CHANGE

New York and New Jersey residents speak out on building code safety in the wake of Superstorm Sandy.

In 2012, Superstorm Sandy left a path of destruction in 24 U.S. states. New York and New Jersey were hit particularly hard; the aftermath caused billions of dollars in damage and thousands of homes were destroyed. Since then, building code standards in urban areas have rightfully come into question—and local residents are speaking out on strength, safety and the need for a renewed legislative focus on this crucial issue.



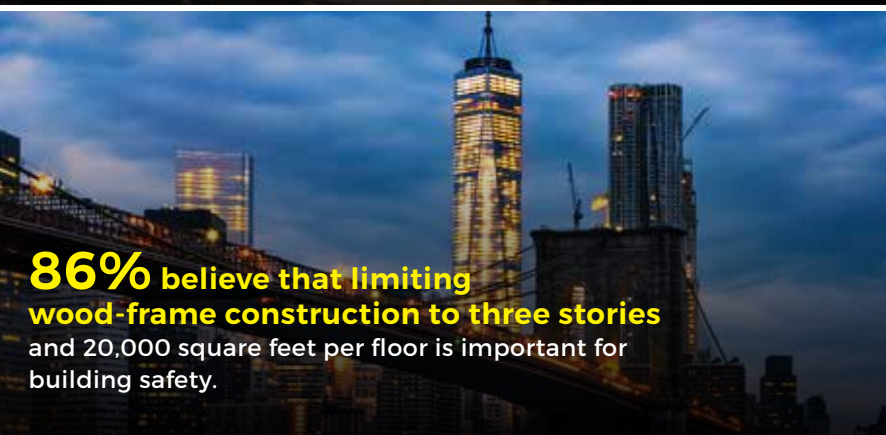
**84%** agree that concrete buildings are safer than lightwood construction during a catastrophe.



**96%** are highly supportive of changes to construction codes that focus on strength and safety.



**92%** support legislation that would require all buildings over three stories high to have concrete and steel frames for greater safety and durability.



**86%** believe that limiting wood-frame construction to three stories and 20,000 square feet per floor is important for building safety.



**88%** feel that local leaders should focus on building codes that can withstand natural disasters.

Show your strength. Find out how you can stand up for safer building codes at [BuildWithStrength.com](http://BuildWithStrength.com).



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