

Image: Pumpkin with Blue Acres logo carved out.

## What about a house that floods?

In New Jersey, 7,944 homes were purchased in 2021 that were estimated to have been previously flooded. The expected annual flood damages for these sold homes were estimated to be over \$18 million (*Estimating undisclosed flood risk in real estate transactions, 2022*).

Isn't that spooky?

Blue Acres is encouraging homeowners, renters, and prospective homebuyers to understand the flood risk they face and how buyouts are the most permanent, effective form of flood mitigation and protection. <a href="NJDEP's Flood Resource Toolkit">NJDEP's Flood Resource Toolkit</a> will help you and your family become more resilient to flooding.

Wishing you a safe and Happy Halloween!



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