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Bill Ritter, Anchor: Now to Haiti, the earth shook again there today. The biggest aftershock yet. People at a bakery in Port-au-Prince scrambling to safety after a powerful 5.9 earthquake struck this morning. Fortunately no reports of damage or injuries. Meanwhile, US troops providing security at hospitals where the wounded are being treated. And relief supplies are being given out in other parts of the city today. And eight days later, really remarkable, rescues continuing, somehow some people have survived. 2 Rescues last night, with the cheers of the crowd and NY Rescue Task Force, 2 children pulled out alive. Today FDNY Commissioner Sal Cassano told me he wouldn't be surprised to see rescues continue to the weekend. Also today, New York City stepping up its efforts to help Haitians here, here illegally. Because, where else would they go. Eyewitness News reporter, Kimberly Richardson standing by in Crown Heights for us. Kim.

Kimberly Richardson, Reporter: Well Bill, the stories are beginning to come in. People seeking temporary protected status, being ripped off by unscrupulous attorneys. But that will not be the case here next Saturday, at Medgar Evers, as an army of lawyers and volunteers gets together and guides people through the maze of paperwork.

Jojo Annobil, Legal Aid Society: We are hoping to reach as many Haitians as possible.

Kimberly Richardson, Reporter: Thousands of Haitians who will have no choice but to navigate through mound of paperwork, the application necessary to seek temporary protected status. If eligible, filling out the series of questions will allow immigrants already here to live in more freely for at least 18 months. But getting it right is challenging and overwhelming, and where JoJo Annobil comes in, he heads up the immigration law unit at the Legal Aid Society. And as part of a just announced, public-private partnership, that will provide free services for those interested in TPS.

Jojo Annobil, Legal Aid Society: What everybody is trying to avoid, is having some of these people, who most of them are low income, pay people exorbitant fees, and for them to basically mess the application.

Kimberly Richardson, Reporter: Mayor Bloomberg talked about the program during today's State of The City Address. It's an effort that in the long run, help those in Haiti. A way for people here to contribute.

Michael Bloomberg, Mayor: That will allow them to find legal employment here and allow more money to find its way back to the homes of their loved ones.

Kimberly Richardson, Reporter: Those going through the process will meet with attorneys, law students and volunteers at satellite offices throughout the 5 Boroughs.

Jojo Annobil, Legal Aid Society: Most people at this point are hungry for something. Something to hang their hats on. There is the 'get it done well in New York' at all costs, no matter what. If any city can do it, it's New York City.

Kimberly Richardson, Reporter: Now the event here at the college on January 30th is free, it'll start at 11 o'clock in the morning in Founders Auditorium. For now we're live at Crown Heights, Kimberly Richardson. Channel 7, Eyewitness News.

Bill Ritter, Anchor: Kimberly, thank you. We invite you to stay with Eyewitness News, ABC News, for the latest on the situation in Haiti. In fact, just in the last few minutes we have learned that The Obama's, personally donating 15,000 dollars to the Clinton-Bush Haiti fund for the relief efforts. And by the way, you can find out more about the cities program to help Haitian immigrants by logging on to our website 7online.com