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Help from, and for, a president



So Chris Christie was a "[Tubby Turncoat](#)" for [hearing](#) Barack Obama?

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But was the governor's gratitude for the President's post-superstorm [visit](#) helpful to Obama's re-election?

It didn't hurt.

[Donald Trump](#) and his fellow [drama queens-in-defeat](#) are peerlessly entertaining, but for bona fide insights about the impact, optics-wise and otherwise, of that bipartisan love fest aboard Marine One -- as well as other contributors to Obama's Super Tuesday -- check out the proudly red South Jersey bloggers [Dan Cirucci](#) and [Matt Rooney](#).

Another sober analysis of Mitt Romney's loss can be found on the Michigan-based Tanner Friedman communications company's [blog](#). HuffPo's got a strong piece about kind Republican words for the incumbent [here](#). And for a tour de force of shoe-leather reporting about the ingredients of the Obama campaign's [triumph](#), including the president's post-Sandy visit to New Jersey, check out today's New York Times.

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repubs hung their own candidate mitt. christie took the help he was offered from pres. obama, as he should have. what was he supposed to do let people suffer because of politics. oh yeah, that's what most repubs do, which is the reason mitt lost.

— etbarksdale

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Maybe Americans were just tired of getting lied to. Christie's candid endorsement of the way the president handled Sandy provided a rare moment of truth from a Republican that woke up a lot of voters. All of the GOP criticism of Christie afterwards only served to reinforce the electorate's assumptions of the party's outrageous mendacity.

— Kilgore Trout 76

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I don't agree with Christie on much but at least he is real and speaks his mind. He says what he means and means what he says. He state was reeling from a horrible tragedy and they needed help, help from home and the Feds. he did the right thing and i would say he would do it again regardless of the political fallout. Bravo!

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