

## A 'temporary, unplanned outage' caused parts of the Statue of Liberty to go dark

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The National Park Service said some of the lights at the Statue of Liberty malfunctioned on Tuesday night. The mishap caused a “temporary, unplanned outage,” spokesperson Jerry Willis said in a statement cited by Fusion.

“The outage was most likely due to work related to an ongoing project to activate a new emergency backup generator that is part of our last remaining Hurricane Sandy recovery projects.”

Views from [live-streamed cameras via EarthCam](#) showed parts of Lady Liberty standing in darkness for a time Tuesday night. Her crown and torch appeared to remain lit.

Notably, Wednesday is the International Women’s Day, which will feature rallies, marches, and strikes across the US. An official Twitter account for the Women’s March took note of the lights out at the iconic statue, saying in a tweet Tuesday night: “Lady Liberty got the memo. On 3/8, we strike!”

