

NO CURRENT WATCHES OR  
WARNINGS ARE IN EFFECT FOR  
THE NEW YORK CITY AREA.

**MASK MANDATE:** WHEN INTERACTING WITH THE  
PUBLIC, NYC CERT MEMBERS MUST WEAR FACE MASKS  
AT ALL TIMES REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS.

This weekly newsletter should provide you with helpful information that you can share and discuss with your community members.

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## National Preparedness Month

### Prepare to Protect



Ready

**National Preparedness Month** is recognized each September to promote family and community disaster and emergency planning now and throughout the year. It serves as a reminder to take action to prepare for the types of emergencies that could affect us where we live, work, learn, and worship.

This year's theme is "Prepare to Protect. Preparing for disasters is protecting everyone you love." The **National Preparedness Month Toolkit** has tips and information to share with your family and community each week.

#### Week 1: Make a Plan

Prepare to protect yourself, your family and community by having an emergency plan. You can support planning in your community by registering for an upcoming preparedness event:

**NPM Launch Event in Times Square**

**Thursday, September 2**

**9:30 AM - 1:30 PM**



#### MONDAY RADIO ROLL CALL

Channel: **Brooklyn**

Responding Borough for 8/30:  
**No Response**

Call Scenario: **No Scenario**

Documents to Review:  
[Citywide Radio Drill Refresher](#)  
[Call signs per Radio](#)



View the [NYC CERT Event Calendar](#) to see upcoming training, meetings, and planned deployments including National Night Out events that teams are scheduled to participate in.

After you participate, be sure to  
[Submit Your Volunteer Hours!](#)

**NPM Pet and Service Animals Preparedness Event**  
Thursday, September 9, 2021  
9:30 AM - 3:30 PM

**NPM Staten Island Children's Museum Family Day**  
Sunday, September 26, 2021  
11:30 AM - 5:30 PM



NYC CERT Division maps (pdf format) are to support recruitment and preparedness planning in your community.

[Brooklyn](#) - [Bronx](#) - [Manhattan](#) -  
[Queens](#) - [Staten Island](#)

## National Preparedness Month Webinar Series



Each week, NYCEM's Community Preparedness program will be hosting preparedness webinars covering numerous topics.

Please register below:

**NYC Emergency Management Community Preparedness Virtual Open House**  
This session provides New Yorkers the opportunity to learn about NYC Emergency Management's community outreach programming.

**Tuesday, September 7, 2021**

**11:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

### Creating Communication Strategies for Emergencies

Providing accurate and clear information is critical before, during and after emergencies.

**Wednesday, September 8, 2021**

**1:00 PM to 2:00 PM**

### How Community Organizations and Small Businesses Can Work Together in Emergencies

Join representatives from NYC Emergency Management's strategic partnerships and community preparedness teams to discover strategies and best practices for community organizations and small businesses can work together in emergencies.

**Tuesday, September 14, 2021**

**11:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

### How to Meet the Moment During Emergencies: Three Steps to Organizational Preparedness

This training is designed to raise awareness for leaders of community and faith-based organizations about the importance of organizational planning in advance of emergencies.

**Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

**11:00 - 12:30 PM**

### Community Mapping – Transforming Community Assets Into Resources

Discover how mapping your community's assets and resources can be transformed into a Resource Directory.

**Thursday, September 23, 2021**

**1:00 PM - 2:00 PM**

## READY NEW YORK

If your division is hosting or participating in an upcoming event, please complete the [Event Request form](#) to have your opportunity published through Eventbrite.com for members to register.



Get Notified with New York City's official source for information about emergency alerts and important city services. Download the free [Notify NYC](#) mobile app, available for [iOS](#) and [Android](#).

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Hudson in Dyckman Marina  
in Inwood Hill Park  
**Mondays, 7:30 PM - 10:30 PM**

**NYC CERT EVENT CALENDAR**

Bay Ridge 5th Avenue  
Open Street  
**Fridays, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

## Join the Mask Force

NYC CERT continues to support the MTA by helping to distribute masks to MTA customers. Please register for one of the various locations and sites throughout the five boroughs.

[Register Now](#)



## MENTOR PROGRAM

Are you interested in becoming a mentor to new NYC CERT members?

All Volunteer leadership should be encouraging active members to serve in a mentor role in order to support both their growth as leaders and provide new opportunities for newer members to become more engaged.

1. Complete the [NYC CERT Mentor Program form](#) to let us know if you'd like to be a mentor or mentee.
2. Complete the [Matching Questionnaire](#) to help pair the mentor to a mentee. Both forms must be filled out to participate in the program.

## VOLUNTEER EVENTS & MEETINGS



Bronx CERT members distributed Ready New York Preparedness material at an event earlier this week.

CERT members pictured from left to right: Joetta Brown (Bronx 1 Division Chief), Geneva Wilson (Bronx Division 2 member)

**Brooklyn Borough Leadership** gathered this past Thursday. During the meeting, they performed a walk-through of the NYC CERT Communication structure and support document. The document provides support to leadership with all the available resources being amplified in the newsletter.



**Bronx Division 3** members hosted their monthly meeting this past Wednesday. This provided a great opportunity to review upcoming local events and training available to and coordinated by membership.

NYC CERT Program staff, hosted this month's **Bronx Division 5** meeting. Those joining, shared their ideas with one another to create more opportunities to engage with and support local community efforts.



[\*\*Download NYC CERT Background\*\*](#) to use during Meetings and Training in a virtual environment (e.g. Microsoft Teams, Zoom, etc.)

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

FEMA Region II:  
Resilience Bingo

[Wednesday, September 1 at 4:00 PM](#)

NHS Brooklyn:  
Flood Insurance - The Least You Should Know

[Thursday, September 2 at 12:00 PM](#)

Basic First Aid Refresher Class  
Presented by Mrs. Sandra Williams, Queens Division 6 CERT member

[Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 PM](#)

[\*\*NYC CERT online platform\*\*](#)  
includes online courses to support volunteer growth.

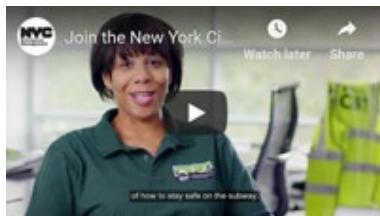
Schedule a free Fire Safety training for your Division at [FDNY Smart Fire Safety](#).

[\*\*FEMA Region 2 \(R2\) Webinar Catalog\*\*](#) includes all recorded webinars from Jan-June of 2021.

### COVID-19 Community Conversations: Mental Health, Equity and Resilience

DOHMH is offering free virtual training to community groups. There are two options, a [1-hour informational virtual presentation](#) and a [3-hour interactive training](#) (available in English, Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin).

## THINGS TO KNOW



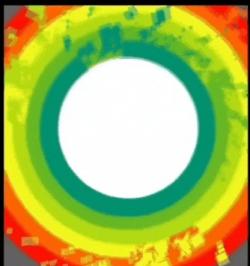
[NYCEM's Youtube page](#)  
[NYC CERT recruitment video](#)  
[2021 National Volunteer Week video](#)



[Resolve to Be Ready Calendar](#)  
Regular reminders in simple steps that can help you work preparedness into your busy schedule.



Listen to the latest episodes of NYCEM's two podcasts, *Prep Talk* ([SoundCloud](#), [iTunes](#) & [Spreaker](#)) and *iPrepárate!* on [SoundCloud](#).



know about hurricanes in New York City.

You'll find information about the city's hurricane evacuation zones, the hazards you may face from a hurricane, and what to do to prepare.

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