

NYC Emergency Management
CERT NEWSLETTER

NEW YORK CITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

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

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CERT SPOTLIGHT



MONDAY RADIO ROLL CALL

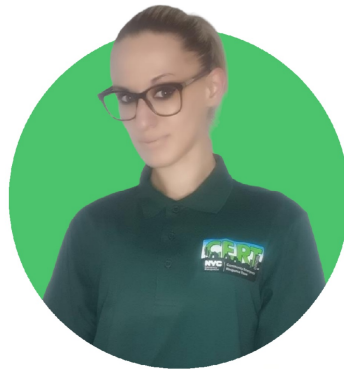
Borough Channel:
CERT BK

Call Scenario:
**Is your division radio being rotated?
 How often?**

8/29 Responding Borough:
No Responding Borough

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

For this month’s NYC CERT Spotlight, we would like to highlight Brooklyn Division 5 member and Ready NY Liaison, **Darya Matskin**.



Darya joined NYC CERT at the beginning of the Covid pandemic in 2020. Even though her training had to be adjusted, due to the Covid interruption, and she and her fellow classmates had to move to a new virtual platform, she thrived and took advantage of most, if not all, of the opportunities that were offered. Darya volunteered for the MTA Mask Force, signed up to assist as an Exercise Safety Officer during a later Basic training, took several advanced training courses, including Ready NY Presenter and the Narcan – Opioid Overdose Prevention training, participated at several local deployments, like the Bay Ridge 5th Ave Street Support and the Annual Blessing of the Rides in Coney Island. All of this, while still attending her regular division meetings, member support opportunities and, most recently, taking the lead on events where her leadership were being pulled in another direction – such as, National Night Out and a few NYCHA Family Day events. She is working her way into superstar status!

Thank you, Darya, for your incredible service and support to the program!

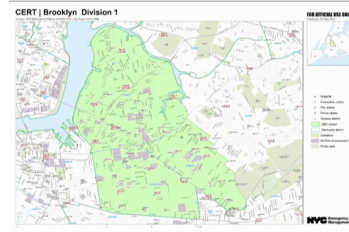
QUIZ OF THE WEEK

Each week we will have a survey with questions that relates back to lessons learned during NYC CERT training or your experience as a member. The answer will be revealed in the following week’s newsletter. Good Luck!

[Click Here!](#)

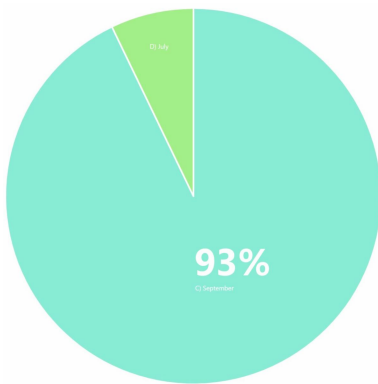


The [NYC CERT Standard Operating Procedures \(SOPs\)](#) provides guidance and outlines policies and procedures for you and your team to follow.



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

Quiz of the Week



Thank you to all who participated in last week's Quiz of the Week. The correct answer is: **C) September.**

During the month of September, NYC CERT volunteers participate at preparedness events throughout the city for National Preparedness Month. Many events are in

collaboration with local elected officials, NYCEM staff, other city agencies and local organizations. Every division should be planning their events now and putting in their material requests to be sure that everything is in order for September – which is this coming week!

National Preparedness Month



View the [NYC CERT Event Calendar](#) to see upcoming training, meetings, and planned deployments.

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

For more questions on how to submit your service hours you can view the [Hours Submission FAQs.](#)



National Preparedness Month

As NYC CERT volunteers, your CERT Divisions should be planning to participate in or host a preparedness event for National Preparedness Month. Please let us know how we can help!

Please see below for all upcoming events National Preparedness Month Events hosted by NYC Emergency Management.

Find more information on our website: nyc.gov/nationalpreparednessmonth

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.



Your NYC CERT Ready New York Liaison can submit a [Ready New York Material Request](#) for upcoming events.

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](#).

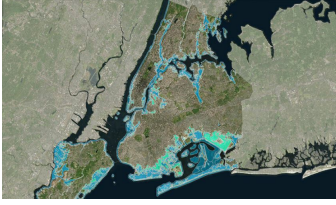
2022 NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH EVENTS
Learn about the steps you can take to prepare for emergencies in NYC

Virtual Events	
SEPTEMBER 1 at 4:00 PM	Emergency Preparedness Trivia with FEMA
SEPTEMBER 6 at 12:00 PM	Community Preparedness Open House
SEPTEMBER 8 at 11:00 AM	Is Your Organization Ready?
SEPTEMBER 13 at 1:00 PM	Creating Communication Strategies for Emergencies
SEPTEMBER 20 at 1:00 PM	Communities Can be Language Ready for Emergencies
SEPTEMBER 21 at 2:00 PM	ReadyFest for Older Adults with VSC
SEPTEMBER 29 at 1:00 PM	Documentation Protection
In-Person Events	
SEPTEMBER 15 from 11:00 - 3:00 PM	Pets and Service Animal Preparedness Fair
SEPTEMBER 18 from 11:00 - 3:00 PM	Emergency Preparedness Day at the Staten Island Children's Museum <small>*Admission to museum is free.</small>
SEPTEMBER 24 from 12:00 - 4:00 PM	Family Day at the Bronx Zoo <small>*The zoo fee is needed for admission.</small>

Visit nyc.gov/NPM for information and registration to virtual events.

NYC Emergency Management
COMMUNITY
ENGAGEMENT

DEPLOYMENT: DAY OF SERVICE



In preparation for National Preparedness Month, we are asking that NYC CERT support a flyer distribution at a number of locations throughout the city. We will be distributing Flooding Preparedness Flyers. The below locations are as defined by MTA as stations that are most at risk for flash flooding.

Following your registration using the links below, NYC Emergency Management will deliver the flyers to the person chosen as the Volunteer Site Lead prior to the deployment.

Registration

Wednesday, August 31, 2022 | 8:00 AM - 11 AM

Manhattan:

[Canal St complex Registration](#)

[Dyckman St Registration](#)

[34 St Registration](#)

[57 St Registration](#)

[145 St Registration](#)

[Franklin St Registration](#)

Brooklyn:

[Union St Registration](#)

[BK- Avenue J Registration](#)

[Jefferson St Registration](#)

[Ralph ave Registration](#)

[Utica ave Registration](#)

[Newkirk Av Registration](#)

Bronx:

[Longwood Av Registration](#)

Queens:

[179 St - Jamaica Registration](#)

[169 St Registration](#)

[Parsons blvd Registration](#)

[63 Dr - Rego Park Registration](#)

[Woodhaven Blvd Registration](#)

[Grand Av Registration](#)

[Northern Blvd Registration](#)

[46 St Registration](#)

[Steinway St Registration](#)

[Parsons Archer Registration](#)

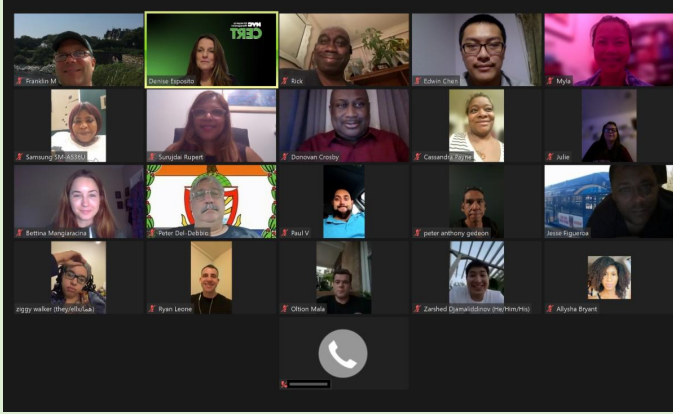
[Sutphin Blvd-Archer Av
Registration](#)

Please note: Some of the locations provided in the registration links are not exactly located at an MTA station. When arriving you should report to the closest station to distribute to and interact with commuters.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

CERT Orientation

CERT applicants attended an orientation session with CERT staff this week to



receive an overview of the program policies, expectations and the ways that NYC CERT members engage with their communities and NYCEM. Orientation is also helpful in answering any questions that candidates may have and it provides CERT staff with information on where candidates heard about the program.

Manhattan Division 5

The week kicked off with a hybrid division meeting. Several members both in-person and virtually gathered as the planning for the division's annual BBQ which is scheduled for next month. This event is hosted with the intent to greet new members and reconnect with longtime members. Have fun everyone!

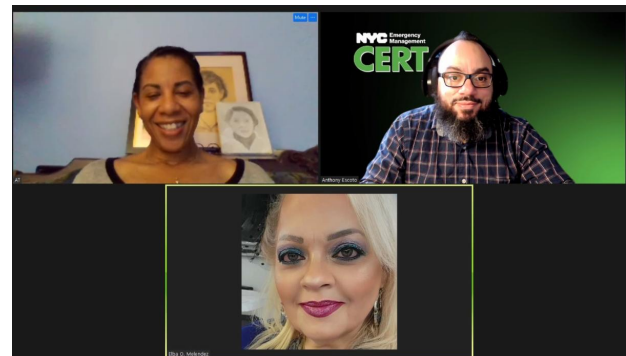


Bronx Division 5

This past Tuesday, several Bronx Division 5 members participated in a meeting facilitated by program staff who reviewed upcoming volunteer opportunities including training and deployment.

Brooklyn Borough Coordinator Check-in

On Tuesday, August 23rd program staff had their bi-weekly check-in with the Brooklyn Borough Coordinator Angela Thompson and Deputy Borough Coordinator Elba Melendez. During these meetings staff has the opportunity to amplify information and discuss any needs or concerns from general membership up to the coordinators themselves.



[Download NYC CERT Background](#) for use during CERT meetings and training in a virtual environment (e.g. Microsoft Teams, Zoom, etc.)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Pets and Service Animal Preparedness Fair

Date: Thursday, September 15
Time: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Location: Union Square

Resources Include:

- Ready NY Emergency Preparedness Plans
- Dept. of Health - Dog Licensing
- ASPCA Crime Prevention Vehicle
- American Red Cross Pet Trailer
- FDNY Smokehouse and more...



NYC Emergency Management's Pet and Service Animal Preparedness Fair

CERT volunteers are expected to support this annual event by distributing flyer and also recruiting for NYC CERT Basic Training

Thursday, September 15, 2022, 11:00 AM

NYC CERT CALENDAR



NYC Parks: Rockaway Beach Support

CERT volunteers are expected to be posted on the boardwalk assisting visitors to the open beach areas together with NYC Parks staff.

[NYC Parks Support Rockaway Beach Registration, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)



Planned 45th Annual Brighton Jubilee

SHIFT 1: VEHICLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

- Muster at 7:30 am at Spot No. C21 on Coney Island Avenue, a couple of blocks south of Brighton Beach Avenue.
- Muster at 9:30 am at CERT Ready NY table on Coney Island Avenue south of Brighton Beach Avenue at Spot C21.

SHIFT 2: PREPAREDNESS TABLE

- Muster at 12:00 pm at CERT Ready NY table on Coney Island Avenue south of Brighton Beach Avenue at Spot C21.

[45th Annual Brighton Jubilee Registration, Sun, Aug 28, 2022 at 7:30 AM | Eventbrite](#)

Buddy Check

As we close out a long year of volunteering to support your community and head into a new year with new challenges, please take some time to support one another. The best way to do that is by



performing buddy checks.

What is a buddy check?

Taking the time to check on family and friends, especially those unable to leave their home for any reason. You might be surprised by the impact you'll have on those who you connect with.

[Report your Volunteer Hours](#)

Search for *Buddy Check* Event



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.

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

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



My Emergency Backpack is Ready... I am Stress-Free!

Please join the FEMA Region 2 National Preparedness Division in partnership with Americares for a webinar discussing strategies for children and young people to prepare for disasters.

[Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 4:30 PM](#)

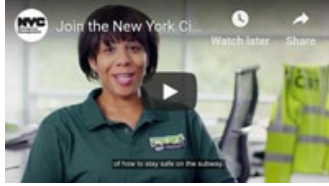
[NYC CERT online platform](#) includes online courses to support volunteer growth.

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

[FEMA Region 2 \(R2\) Webinar Catalog](#) includes all recorded webinars.

COVID-19 Community Conversations: Mental Health, Equity and Resilience **Updated Links*
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](#)

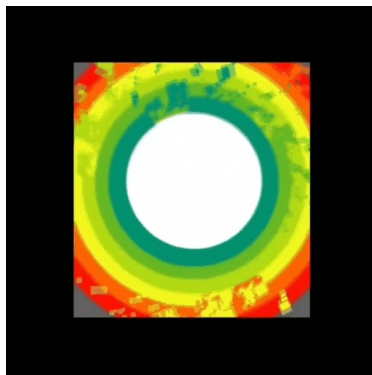
[Resolve to Be Ready Calendar](#)
 Regular reminders in simple steps that can help you work preparedness into your busy schedule.

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

New York City Mayor Eric Adams and New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) Commissioner Dr. Ashwin Vasan have recently declared a public health emergency due to the Monkeypox outbreak.



For regularly updated information on Monkeypox please visit: nyc.gov/monkeypox



[KNOW YOUR ZONE](#) is your destination for everything you need to 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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