



Prep Talk Podcast - Farewell To Acting Commissioner D'Amora On His Retirement



The New York City Emergency Management Department bids farewell to Acting Commissioner Andrew D'Amora, as he retires from City service after more than 30 years.

On the latest episode of "Prep Talk," Commissioner D'Amora discusses his path to NYC Emergency Management, lessons learned throughout his career, his leadership roles as chief of staff, first deputy commissioner and acting commissioner.

You can listen to the latest episode on [SoundCloud](#), [iTunes](#), and [Spreaker](#).

Applications Are Available for New Strengthening Communities Cohort

The Strengthening Communities program provides community based networks with training, resources and funding to develop and implement local emergency plans and establish recovery strategies in NYC communities. This program will identify strong local community organizer(s) and community emergency networks to receive funding, establish local emergency plans and will support the collective city-wide efforts.

If your network has not yet participated in the Strengthening Communities program we encourage you to apply. For the alumni, please spread the word to your contacts.

To apply please go to [NYC City Record](#) -> Procurement -> Filter -> Agency -> Emergency Management (OEM)

or

<https://a856-cityrecord.nyc.gov/RequestDetail/20211223118>

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Application Due: 1/28/2022 4:00 PM

Ready Up January 20



READY UP NYC

Emergency Alerts Webinar



Learn why it's important to stay informed during emergencies, the types of emergency alerts sent to the public, and how to sign up for the City's Notify NYC program.

Date: Thursday, January 20, 2022

Time: 2:30 p.m. EST

Link: <https://bit.ly/ReadyUp2022>

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Ready Up NYC Webinar Series

Join us on Zoom at 2:30 PM

**January
20**

Topic: Emergency Alerts

- Importance of staying informed
- Types of alerts
- Notify NYC Program

**February
17**

Topic: Financial Emergency Planning with FEMA

- 4 steps to financial preparedness
- Disaster assistance resources

**March
17**

Topic: John D. Solomon Fellowship for Public Service

- Fellowship program overview
- Alumni experiences
- Application process

Register via: <https://bit.ly/ReadyUp2022>



Call for Presentations: 2022 Symposium



Are you interested in presenting at the virtual 2022 Community Preparedness Symposium? Submit a presentation by **January 21st**. The symposium will be held on March 9th at 10 AM, and the theme is "Cultivating Community Connections for Emergencies." [Learn more and submit your proposal here](#)

Applications Now Being Accepted for Homeowner Assistance Fund



Governor Kathy Hochul announced that applications are now being accepted for the New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NYS HAF), a program that will provide up to \$539 million in aid or other direct assistance to help eligible homeowners who are at risk of default, foreclosure, or displacement due to financial hardship caused by the pandemic.

Online Application Portal Available in Ten Languages
at www.nyhomeownerfund.org or Contact the NYS Homeowner Assistance
Fund Call Center to Apply at 1-844-77-NYHAF

10-Year Vision for NYC's Waterfront

Outgoing Mayor de Blasio, New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) and the Mayor's Office of Climate Resiliency (MOCR) released the [Financial District and Seaport Climate Resilience Master Plan](#), a blueprint for comprehensive flood defense infrastructure to protect Lower Manhattan from the urgent threat of climate change. Illustrative images of the design proposal can be found [here](#) (credit: NYCEDC).

Events

On January 19th, 12:00 PM - 1:15 PM, NYC Service will be hosting *Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion in Nonprofit Volunteer Programs* for the second year, a free training facilitated by Ebone M. Bishop, Founder and CEO of Evolv: Commit to Culture. Register [here](#).

2021 AccessibleNYC Report to Improve Quality of Life for People with Disabilities

The Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities (MOPD) has released the 2021 edition of the [AccessibleNYC report](#). The report highlights the work of City

agencies and its partners to continue to increase accessibility for people with disabilities.

Learn More About NYC Emergency Management Community Preparedness - <https://youtu.be/L250wy3o6r4>