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Last Chance! John D. Solomon Fellowship for Public Service Open for Applications until March 26th



New York City Emergency Management announces the launch of the 2023-2024 John D. Solomon Fellowship for Public Service application cycle, the City's first student fellowship devoted specifically to emergency management. The program will provide ten graduate students in the New York City area the opportunity to complete a nine-month, paid fellowship with a city agency or nonprofit organization.

The deadline to apply is **March 26th, 2023**.

If you're interested, you can [apply here](#).

Commissioner for a Day Application Now Open



Are you our next Commissioner for a Day?

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All New York City high school students are invited to participate in the third annual NYC Emergency Management “Commissioner for a Day” essay contest. Entrants must submit an original essay and complete the application attached below. The NYC Emergency Management Commissioner will select the winner who will be invited to NYC Emergency Management headquarters to participate in the Commissioner for a Day Award Ceremony.

All entries must be submitted by **April 1st, 2023**.

[Apply here!](#)

Ready School of the Year Award Application

2023 Ready School of the Year Award Application

Does your school lead the way in preparedness?

Are there training, clubs, or other initiatives they offer to help prepare for emergencies?

**Nominate your school via:
bit.ly/2023_RSOTY**

Winning schools will receive a visit from Ready Girl!



Does your school lead the way in preparedness? Is there training, clubs, or other initiatives they offer to help prepare for emergencies? Let NYC Emergency Management know how your school can be recognized as the Ready School of the Year for 2023! The school that wins will receive a visit from Ready Girl, the emergency preparedness superhero, and preparedness materials for all students. Additionally, NYC Emergency Management will collaborate with the school to present the award and display the school's emergency preparedness efforts via student projects.

The deadline for applications is **March 30, 2023**.

[Register here!](https://bit.ly/2023_RSOTY)



Ready New York Notify NYC Trivia

Are you a Ready New Yorker? See how many Notify NY facts you know!

Public Health	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information to alert those living in basement apartments
Planned Events	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information about health issues
Major Traffic	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disruption message about significant roadway closures, disruptions, or detours
Weather Emergencies	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disruption messages about large or widespread disruptions to transit
Emergency alerts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Information about preplanned activity that may cause local disruptions
Parking Suspensions	<input type="checkbox"/>	Messages about current or forecast weather events
Basement Alerts	<input type="checkbox"/>	Critical incidents involving your safety or the safety of others in the area
Mass Transit	<input type="checkbox"/>	Updates about unscheduled emergency suspension of citywide parking rules

[Trivia Link here!](#)

Commemorating NYCEM's 11th Annual Community Preparedness Symposium



"The 2023 Annual Symposium by the Community Engagement team symposium was a reminder of why we should all continue to work together, non-profits, community groups, city agencies and everyday New Yorkers. We should not just come together in moments of crises; we don't always need to reinvent the wheel. We can start now, to help all New Yorkers regardless of race, religion, immigration status or gender. And we look forward to working

with the New York City Emergency Management team,” said **Yesenia Mata**, executive director of La Colmena.



The 11th annual symposium focused on how community organizers, leaders, youth, advocates, and/or government can prepare ahead of emergencies.

Please take time to fill out this survey here if you attended the in-person or virtual experience. [Survey here!](#)

To access the **recordings** of the symposium, [click here](#).

For the full **press release**, [click here](#).

NYCEM's LATEST ¡PREPÁRATE! PODCAST EPISODE HIGHLIGHTS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH WITH ESTHER FORD

In recognition of Women's History Month, the latest episode of New York City Emergency Management's Spanish podcast ¡Prepárate!, features Esther Ford, an EMT member with the New York City Fire Department. The 15-year veteran shares why she joined the department, her leadership role with the FDNY Hispanic Society, and the impact she hopes to make in her Bronx community as an Afro-Latina of Garifuna heritage. Garifuna people are descendants of mixed free African and Indigenous Americans who originated in the Caribbean island of Saint Vincent. In addition to Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Garifuna people and culture are found in Honduras and Belize.

[Click here](#) to listen to the podcast on SoundCloud.

For the full press release, [click here](#).

Upcoming Events

Join Faith Leaders for a Conversation About the

WELCOMING THE STRANGER: HOSPITALITY AND FAITH RESPONSES TO THE MIGRATION CRISIS



Pastor Gil Monroe (NYC Mayors Office)



Rabbi Barat Ellman (Fordham Theology)



Shivani Parikh (Sadhana/Fordham Law)



Adama Bah (Immigration Activist)



Eileen Markey FCRH '98 (Journalist/Lehman College)

Lincoln Center Campus

Wednesday March 29, 2023
6 PM (Doors Open: 5:30 PM)

140 West 62nd Street, NY, NY 10023
McNally Amphitheatre & Platt Court

The status of the stranger—asylum seekers—refugees—the immigrant—has been a core pillar in many faith communities. Join faith leaders from across New York for a timely conversation about the faith response to the migration crisis. At the panel's conclusion, participants may join in the Ramadan tradition of the breaking of the fast, with a reception to follow. [RSVP](#) encouraged. This event is facilitated by [Prof. Kathryn Kueny](#) (Theology) and her community engaged learning (CEL) class Sacred Texts.

Wednesday, March 29th
6 - 8 p.m., Doors Open at 5:30 PM
McNally Amphitheater, LC Campus

To RSVP, [click here](#).

To learn more about the panelists, [click here](#).

For the full flyer, [click here](#).

Building and Sustaining the Next Generation of NYC Nonprofit Leaders

The New York City nonprofit economy is an essential part of the city's fabric, providing vital services and support to communities in need.

From healthcare to education, the arts to social services, the nonprofit sector touches every aspect of life in New York City.

Join us for a special event as we delve into the inner workings of this important sector and hear from leaders in the field about the opportunities to strengthen

this critical sector today and take advantage of five break out rooms facilitated by our consultants.

Wednesday, March 29th, 9AM - 12PM EDT.

To RSVP, [click here](#).

Fund Development Symposium: A Focus on Family Foundations


According to the Council on Foundations, approximately 50 percent of private foundations are family foundations. But for many nonprofits, the sheer number and differing missions of family foundations make researching them and connecting with them less obvious than other foundation relationships.

Join PASE's Fundraising Symposium to learn more about family foundations from the source! Our panelists represent a range of experiences with family foundations and will share insight on how to research family foundations and their focus areas, how to "meet" family foundations, and good practices in maintaining and strengthening relationships with family foundations.

Thursday, March 30th, 10 - 11:30AM EDT.

To RSVP, [click here](#).

Better Together: A Holistic Approach to Resilience


**FEMA**
**IDEATION
HOUR**
**WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 29TH
1-2 P.M. ET**
WHAT WE ASK OF YOU:
Bring your best resilience ideas, projects, needs and collaboration opportunities to the table.
RESERVE YOUR SPOT
Questions?
FEMA-ResilientNation@fema.dhs.gov
www.FEMA.gov/RNP

BETTER TOGETHER: A Holistic Approach to Resilience

Join us as we explore how the Whole Community can play a critical role to increase national resilience across the nation.

TOPICS WE WILL DISCUSS:

- Characteristics of a resilient community
- Challenges to achieving community resilience
- Whole Community solutions
- Innovative partnerships to strengthen resilience planning




FEATURED FACILITATORS INCLUDE:

Curtis Brown,
Virginia Commonwealth University

Dr. Courtney Page-Tan,
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Joanna Wozniak-Brown,
University of Connecticut

**Resilient Nation
Partnership Network**

Communities today face an increasingly complex set of resilience challenges. Increasing national resilience is complex and requires engagement across the Whole Community, at all levels, to build our collective resilience.

This discussion plans to explore how the Whole Community can share responsibility and play a critical role to increase national resilience across the nation.

March 29th, 2023, 1:00PM EST.

To RSVP and for a full description, [click here](#).

Apply for STOP The Bleed Virtual Course



Stop the Bleed provides people with the tools and knowledge to stop life-threatening bleeding in the event of an emergency situation. Bleeding is the number one cause of preventable death after injury, and the actions of immediate responders can be crucial in determining the outcome of the situation.



Virtual

**Wednesday,
February 8th**
12-1PM
-or-
4-5PM

The focus of the course:

- The immediate response to bleeding
- Recognize life-threatening bleeding
- Appropriate ways to stop bleeding

To register for one of our free courses, visit bklynlibrary.org/calendar and search "Stop the Bleed"



To RSVP for either time, [click here](#) (available every first Wednesday of each Month).



New York City Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Through its Disaster Response Committee, NYCVOAD is developing an interactive, community-based map to know and amplify the amazing work (ie. services, plans, and projects/programs) of the organizations in the NYCVOAD network. This work includes disaster preparedness, response, long-term recovery and contributing to climate resilience.

We are grateful to the many organizations that already provided a response to the [NYCVOAD Network Survey](#) that will inform this project. You do not need to be a NYCVOAD member organization to complete the [survey](#).

Feedback collected through this [survey](#) will be used to improve NYCVOAD's support to organizations in its network. It will also be added to the Regional Plan Association's NYC Community Resilience Plan Mapper.

Deadline for this survey is **March 22, 2023**.

Prepare Your NSGP Application: DHS Announces \$2 Billion in Preparedness Grants

The Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP) can provide funding support to nonprofit organizations, including houses of worship, that are at high risk of terrorist attack. This funding can help your organization implement physical security enhancements and activities.

To learn more about the things you can do before the application period opens we've compiled this list:

- **English:** [Take these 4 Steps to Apply for a Nonprofit Security Grant | FEMA.gov](#)
- **Español:** [Siga estos 4 pasos para solicitar la subvención de seguridad para organizaciones sin fines de lucro | FEMA.gov](#)



SAVE NOW ON YOUR WATER BILL, GET AMNESTY TODAY!

DEP IS OFFERING A
LIMITED ONE-TIME AMNESTY

With up to 100% of interest forgiveness.

DON'T MISS YOUR CHANCE, THIS ONE-TIME AMNESTY ENDS SOON!



DEP is offering this limited one-time amnesty with up to 100% interest

forgiveness for all delinquent customers. If you owe water and wastewater charges, you may be eligible for this amnesty offer.

Deadline is **April 30th, 2023**.

[Amnesty link here!](#)

File Taxes with NYC Free Tax Prep



**A bigger NYC EITC. Full refund.
Your family deserves it. Get it back.**

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TAX PREP** | Trusted,
Professional
Filing

Taxpayers have until April 18 to file their taxes this year and [NYC Free Tax Prep](#) provides free, professional, tax preparation that can help New Yorkers keep their full refund! If you earned \$80,000 or less in 2022, file for FREE with an IRS certified VITA/TCE volunteer preparer.

Share Your Memories of Superstorm Sandy

Brooklyn College Honors Students Seek Volunteer Interviewees for a Public History Project

- Tell us about what you remember of the Storm and its aftermath!
- Memories will be recorded and shared publicly.
- Part of the Community Hub for Sustainable Urban Futures at Floyd Bennett Field, this oral history project seeks to record and preserve the stories of the people of the Rockaways with Superstorm Sandy.
- Interviews can be conducted in person, on the phone or on the computer.

If you are willing, **contact:**

**Prof. Philip Napoli, Associate Professor and Chair
Brooklyn College Department of History
pnapoli@brooklyn.cuny.edu**

Donate Now to Help Those Affected by the Earthquake in Turkey and Syria

Cash is the best way to donate: it's fast to send and allows flexibility in the response. If you wish to contribute toward relief efforts for the victims of the earthquake in Turkey and Syria, click on this link: [Help Now NYC](#).



Join NYC Emergency Management - We Are Hiring!

NYC Emergency Management has some exciting employment opportunities available! They can be viewed on the NYC Careers website: [Jobs at NYC Emergency Management - NYCEM](#).

NYC Emergency Management is staffed by over 200 dedicated professionals who are committed to serving the City in a crisis. We are looking for candidates who have a passion for preparing New Yorkers for the next emergency and responding when a crisis hits the City.

NYCEM is looking for candidates with experience engaging with people with disabilities access and functional needs (DAFN). In this role you will get to come up with innovative ways to educate New Yorkers on emergency preparedness via presentations, webinars, and other outreach events in collaboration with our community partners. Share or apply via jobs.nyc.gov with Job ID: 536135.

Click [here](#) for the full job description.

**Learn More About NYC Emergency Management Community
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