

**ACTIVATION STATUS:** NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER IS ACTIVATED.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Program staff will respond to inquiries and requests as soon as possible. We appreciate your patience and support.

## Happy Father's Day!



NYCEM staff would like to wish everyone Happy Father's Day!

To learn more about the history behind Father's Day, [please click here](#).

## Men's Health Month



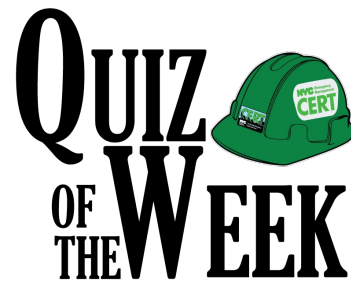
MONDAY RADIO ROLL CALL

06/19: No Call

Documents to Review:

[Citywide Radio Drill Refresher](#)

[Call signs per Radio](#)



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 FOR THIS WEEK'S QUESTION](#)**

Last week's question: Where can CERT members find a link to book a virtual meeting with NYC CERT staff?.

The correct answer is: c) at the bottom of

June is dedicated to raising awareness about men's health. Men's Health Month serves as an important reminder to prioritize and address the unique health challenges faced by men.

It is an opportunity to shed light on crucial issues and promote a proactive approach towards men's well-being.

This awareness period was created by Senator Bob Dole and Congressman Bill Richardson with support from Men's Health Network. It was passed by the U.S. Congress and signed into law by President Clinton in 1994 as Men's Health Week (the week ending on the U.S. Father's Day). Men's Health Week was expanded to include the whole month of June in the late 1990s.

The following are a few resources that may be useful:

- Work Well provides [June](#) physical fitness and June wellness activities:
- [Summer Stretch Chair Yoga Class](#)—in person and online June 21<sup>st</sup> at 22 Cortlandt St.
- Video: [Men's Health, where should you start](#)

NYC Men's Health Events :

- 06/22 New York Yankees [Men's Health Awareness Night](#)

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## FEMA Administrator Announces 2023 National Preparedness Month Theme!

The video below, published by FEMA, has FEMA Administrator (and former NYCEM Commissioner), Deanne Criswell sharing an important message about emergency preparedness for older Americans.

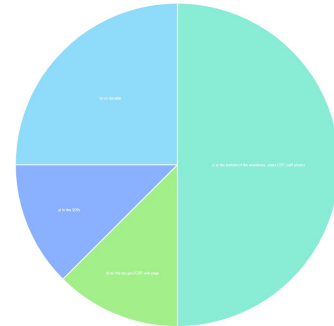


Months ahead of September's National Preparedness Month, FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell announced that the Ready Campaign's 2023 National Preparedness Month campaign will focus on preparing

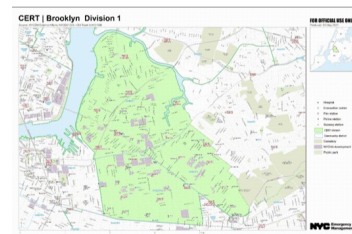
the newsletter, under CERT staff profile pictures. While the SOPs may note the option to utilize the link, the link itself is parked and accessible at the bottom of the newsletter, so scroll all the way down!

If you're not into scrolling right now, here is the link:

<https://on.nyc.gov/bookCERT>



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.

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

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older adults for disaster. The campaign will specifically target older adults from communities that are disproportionately impacted by the all-hazard events, which continue to threaten the nation.

According to the [American Red Cross](#), there are several factors that make older adults more vulnerable after disasters, including, but not limited to:

- a greater likelihood to suffer from chronic conditions and the need for associated medications.
- a greater reliance on assistive devices such as walkers or glasses, as well as support from caregivers and others; and
- an increased likelihood of social isolation.

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

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## Juneteenth!



This Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> is Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, Emancipation Day, Jubilee Day, and Liberation Day; a holiday that celebrates the end of slavery in the United States.

Personal celebrations for Juneteenth may include gatherings among friends, barbecues and cookouts, and/or firework displays. Others may use the day to shop at black-owned businesses or share history with family and friends. Colors are also significant during this holiday. Some will dress in red, white, and blue, the colors of the Juneteenth flag, while others will dress in red, green, and black, the colors of the Pan-African flag.

### Learn more about Juneteenth:

- Additional readings on the history of Juneteenth [the National Museum of African American History & Culture](#)

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## Older Adult Preparedness



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](#).

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## 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.

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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](#).

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- Know what [disasters](#) could affect your area, which could call for an evacuation, and when to [shelter](#) in place, and plan what you need to do in both cases.
- Keep a [NOAA Weather Radio](#) tuned to your local emergency station and monitor TV and radio for warnings about severe weather in your area.
- [Download the FEMA app](#) and get weather alerts from the National Weather Service for up to five different locations anywhere in the United States.

To learn more on how to prepare if you are an older adult, [please click here](#).

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#### Help us Celebrate 20 Years of NYC CERT



#### ***Send us your CERT photos or videos!***

We have created a link for you to easily upload your collection of CERT related photos and videos from your time in the program.

You may upload several items per event/deployment, but only a maximum of three per submission. After submitting, there will be an option to submit three more!

You can scan the accompanying QR code or use this link: [on.nyc.gov/CERTupload](https://on.nyc.gov/CERTupload)

Please label the files in the following manner: **Date (including year), Borough, Division (or team), Event, members included (if available).**

If you have any questions, please contact us at [cert@oem.nyc.gov](mailto:cert@oem.nyc.gov). Thank you!

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## VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

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### Citizen Police Academy Graduates





Brooklyn Division 7 members Michelle Sealy and Nneka Njideka recently graduated from the Citizen Police Academy! Congratulations to both of these members and thank you for your continued service to our communities.



## Brooklyn Pride Parade

This past Saturday, CERT volunteers assisted pride parade organizers by supporting crowd control efforts as well as manage traffic control along the parade route.





## Knickerbocker Ave Puerto Rican Day Parade

CERT members from several Brooklyn and Queens divisions volunteered during the 5th Annual Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Parade. At the request of the Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Committee and the 83rd precinct, CERT assisted with traffic and crowd control in order to ensure the parade ran smoothly.



## 7th Annual SSG Michael Ollis 5k Run & 2-Mile Walk

The 7th Annual SSG Micheal Ollis 5k Run and 2 Mile Walk was held last Sunday, and throughout the event CERT members assisted with pedestrian & traffic management along the route.

## Gracie Mansion Juneteenth Celebration Support

At the request of the Mayor's Office for Special Projects and Community Events, NYC CERT assisted with pedestrian and line traffic management along with prepping go bags for distribution.

Great work to everyone involved!





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

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### Sociological View of Networking

NYC CERT Staff will host a presentation describing the topics of Networking through a sociological point of view.

By attending this presentation, CERT's will be able to:

- Define what a proper network is
- Quantify the elements of network
- Be able to differentiate the differences between Social and Professional
- Networking and when to use both respectively
- Current Trends in Networking
- Tips and Tricks when networking



[Register Now: Thursday June 22 | 6:30pm - 7:30pm](#)





## Gracie Mansion LGBTQ Pride Reception Support

At the request of the Mayor's Office for Special Projects, CERT will be assisting with pedestrian and traffic management.

[Register Now: Thursday June 22 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm](#)

## Disability Etiquette, Awareness, Sensitivity and Terminology Panel Discussion

FEMA Region 2 National Preparedness Division will be hosting a panel discussion on June 22nd regarding disability etiquette, awareness, sensitivity and terminology.

This will be a great opportunity to learn from a great panel of subject matter experts in order to explore and address common issues and best practices.

[Register Now: Thursday June 22nd | 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM](#)



## Fort Totten Fireworks

On June 27th, NYC CERT members will be assisting with pedestrian traffic and other related support functions during the firework display.

[Register Now: Tuesday June 27 | 4pm - 11pm](#)

## Gracie Mansion Caribbean Heritage Reception Support

At the request of the mayor's office for Special Projects and Community events, CERT will assist with pedestrian and line traffic management for the event being held at Gracie Mansion.

[Register Now: Thursday June 29 | 6:00pm - 8:00pm](#)



## Long Island City Independence Day





## Macy's Fireworks Show

On July 4th, CERT volunteers will be supporting the NYPD 108th Precinct with traffic and pedestrian control for the Macy's fireworks/ Independence Day celebration in Long Island City. Please bring water to the event and dress accordingly for the weather.

[Register Now: Tuesday July 4th | 1:30pm - 9:30pm](#)

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## July 4th Nathan Hot Dog Eating Contest in Coney Island (Support)

CERT will be assisting the NYPD during the Nathan's Hot Dog Eating Contest. CERT will be tasked with crowd control and controlling pedestrian traffic into barrier viewing pens while also watching for spectators affected by crowding and heat stresses.

[Register Now: Tuesday July 4 | 10:00am - 2:00pm](#)



## July Fourth Coney Island Fireworks Show 2023

On Tuesday evening, July 4, 2023, Brooklyn Division 5 will be leading a deployment assisting the 60th Precinct with the annual Coney Island July 4th Fireworks Celebration. If you are interested in volunteering for this deployment, please bring a CP200/450Mhz radio for communications.

[Register Now: Tuesday July 4 | 8:30pm - 11:00pm](#)

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## Independence Day Roosevelt Island Fireworks Show Support

CERT volunteers will be supporting with pedestrian control for the Independence Day celebration in Roosevelt Island.

[Register Now: Tuesday July 4 | 4:00pm - 12:00am](#)



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**NYC CERT CALENDAR**

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## 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



## 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.

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

### CPR, Narcan and Stop The Bleed

NY Presbyterian's Community Affairs Department will provide advanced training in Hands-Only CPR, Narcan administration and best practices for effective administration of Stop the Bleed techniques.



[CPR/Narcan/Stop the Bleed Registration, Wed, Jun 28, 2023 at 6:30 PM](#)

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

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

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

## THINGS TO KNOW

### CERT Self-Deployment

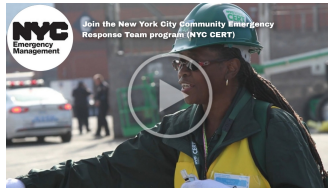
We at NYCEM appreciate NYC CERT volunteer's service and dedication to public safety and want to support members in any way possible. However, as your instructors, volunteer leadership, and NYCEM staff have told all CERT members from day one of basic training: NYC CERT **NEVER** self-deploy.

We encourage all CERT to listen to their Division leadership and ask any questions that may come to mind. We also

want to encourage all members to review the NYC CERT Standard Operating Procedures, Section 5: Operations, Deployment protocol.

Find the NYC CERT Protocols here: [NYC CERT SOPs](#)

Schedule a meeting with NYCEM staff: [NYC CERT Volunteer Support](#)



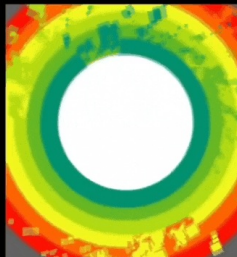
[NYCEM's YouTube page](#)  
[NYC CERT recruitment video](#)  
[2021 National Volunteer Week video](#)



[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](#).



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