

Thunderstorms & Lightning Preparedness



Regardless of their severity, all thunderstorms are dangerous. Every thunderstorm produces lightning, which kills more people nationally each year than tornadoes. Strong winds, hail, flooding, and tornadoes are other dangers associated with thunderstorms.

New York State is considered to have a "moderate" occurrence of lightning, with 3.8 strikes occurring per square mile each year.

Quick Fact:

According to the [National Weather Service](#), the Empire State Building is hit by lightning an average of 25 times per year. In one storm, it was hit eight times in 24 minutes.

Protect Yourself Key Messages

- If you are under a thunderstorm warning, find safe shelter right away.
- When thunder roars, go indoors.
- Move from outdoors into a building or car.
- Pay attention to alerts and warnings.
- Unplug appliances.
- Do not use landline phones.
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If someone is struck by lightning:

- **Call for help.** Call 911 or your local ambulance service. Get medical attention as quickly as possible.
- **Give first aid.** If the victim has stopped breathing, begin rescue breathing. If the heart has stopped beating, a trained person should give

CPR. If the person has a pulse and is breathing, address any other injuries. For information on how to learn CPR, contact your local chapter of the **American Red Cross**.

For more information, visit

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/thunderstorms.page>

NYC Emergency Management Prep Talk Podcast

On the latest episode of “Prep Talk,” Patrick McHugh, senior vice president of electric operations and Matthew Sniffen, vice president of emergency preparedness at Con Edison, along with Larry Torres, manager of emergency preparedness at PSEG Long Island, discuss how utility providers prepare for and respond to emergencies. The trio share how they work with emergency management agencies and how utility providers fit into the disaster cycle. They also discuss community outreach programs implemented by their respective organizations to prepare New Yorkers for emergencies like power outages and disruptions.

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

Coastal Storm Preparedness Training for Community and Faith Leaders

The Community Preparedness Team facilitated a **Coastal Storm Preparedness Training for Community and Faith Leaders** for the hurricane season on August 4, 2022.

Thank you to all that attended!

Resources from the presentation:

- Full webinar visit our [YouTube](#) page.
- Full list of resources download this [PDF](#).
- Downloadable [PDF](#) of the presentation.

Partner Spotlight

Fifth Avenue Committee envisions an equitable New York City where all people can live in stable & thriving communities that are inclusive, healthy and sustainable.

Join them on August 12th from 4-7pm

Save the Date!

**FAC's
Summer BBQ**

Friday, August 12th from 4-7 pm
FAC Center for Community Development,
621 DeGraw Street, Brooklyn NY

Join your neighbors for food, drinks, music, and celebration!

Meet candidates for Congressional District 10, State Senate

District 26, and others, and local elected officials



RSVP by August 8th
<https://bit.ly/FACBBQ>



Fifth Avenue Committee
Our Community. Our Future.

RSVP via this [link](https://bit.ly/FACBBQ).

Office of the Mayor of New York City

Press Release: Declares Monkeypox a Public Health Emergency

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

New York City is currently the epicenter of the outbreak, and we estimate that approximately 150,000 New Yorkers may currently be at risk for monkeypox exposure. We will continue to work with our federal partners to secure more doses as soon as they become available.

For additional information on monkeypox please visit: nyc.gov/monkeypox

HURRICANE IDA SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING PROGRAM

NYC Mayor's Office of Housing Recovery Operations

Were you impacted by Post Tropical Storm Ida? We may be able to help!

- If you own a 1-4 family home that was uninhabitable because of damage from Ida; and
- You applied for FEMA or were not eligible for FEMA assistance because you are a landlord; and
- Have either been denied or received less than the amount needed to complete repairs that would make the home habitable, then
- You may be eligible for assistance up to \$72,000* to cover the cost of the repairs to make the home habitable** and for mitigation measures to protect against future damage.

*Subject to program policy guidelines.

**Program habitability is defined as having functioning heat, hot water, electricity, and gas (where applicable) with at least one running tap with potable water and one functioning toilet.

For more information, please contact us!

Phone: (212) 615-8329

Email: IdaAssist@recovery.nyc.gov



READY UP NYC

Animal Planning Task Force



This webinar will review the plans, response and information for pet and service animal preparedness.

Special guests include NYC Emergency Management, the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and the Animal Care Centers of NYC (ACC).



Date: Thursday, August 18, 2022

Time: 1:00 p.m. EST

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



Free Registration via this [link](#).



Ready New York Question of the Week

Hurricanes rotate ___ in the southern hemisphere and ___ in the northern hemisphere.

- a) Clockwise; counterclockwise
- b) Counterclockwise; clockwise
- c) Clockwise; clockwise

d) Counterclockwise; counterclockwise

See the correct answer [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

You Are The Help Until Help Arrives TODAY @ 1:00:00 PM EDT - 3:30:00 PM EDT



FEMA

REGION 2 ★



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Please join the **Region 2 National Preparedness Division** for a webinar on how you can be the help until help arrives.

The Until Help Arrives program teaches basic skills to help keep people alive and safe until professional help arrives. Learn five simple steps that may save a life.

[Register Here!](#)

Ready Seniors Virtual Workshops

Join FEMA Region 2 and the Administration for Community Living (ACL) for virtual Ready Seniors Workshops in English and Spanish. This workshop prepares Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) and other organizations that provide critical support services to senior citizens.

Register for English-Language Workshop

- Presentation on **August 23, 9:30am – 1pm EDT:**

<https://fema.connectsolutions.com/readyseniors2022eng/event/registration.html>

- Tabletop Exercise on August 24, 9:30am – 1pm ET:

Email Bijal.Patel@fema.dhs.gov with your name, agency, and state.

Register for Spanish-Language Workshop

- Presentation on **August 30, 9:00am - 1pm EDT:**

<https://fema.connectsolutions.com/readyseniors2022spa/event/registration.html>

- Tabletop Exercise on August 31, TIME TBD:

Email Xaymara.DiazRosado@fema.dhs.gov with your name, agency, and state.



"Preparing NYC Religious Leaders to Weather the Climate Storm"

NYDIS Faith Sector Community Preparedness Program's
Summer 2022 "Lunch n Learn" Webinar Series



Grab your lunch and join the ZOOM conversation!

An increasing number of people, especially youth, are dealing with anxiety related to the climate crisis. **Nobuko Hori**, a trained Zen Buddhist, climate activist, and Project Collaborator at the NJ Interfaith Center for Cancer Care, will lead a conversation on the emotional and spiritual care needs of people struggling with climate grief.

**Providing
Emotional and
Spiritual Care for
Climate Anxiety**

Date: Tuesday,
August 16th
Time: 12-1pm



Free Registration: <http://nydisnet.eventbrite.com>

Questions? Email LCUMMINGS@NYDIS.ORG



NYCH2O.ORG

CANARSIE BEACH CLEANUP



Register On [Eventbrite](#)

Join NYC H2O, Council Member Mercedes Narcisse and Jamaica Bay Rockaway Parks Conservancy for a volunteer cleanup at Canarsie Beach!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM



CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
**MERCEDES
NARCISSE**
46TH COUNCIL DISTRICT



RPMA
ROCKAWAY PARKWAY
MERCHANTS CORRIDOR
ASSOCIATION INC

Canarsie Beach Cleanup

 Saturday, August 13, 2022

[Register Here!](#)



Active Shooter Preparedness Webinar

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 10:00 a.m. EDT

[THIS IS NOT A TACTICAL TRAINING COURSE](#)

The **Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Region 2** (New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, and U.S. Virgin Islands) invites local Colleges and Universities to join a two-hour security webinar to enhance awareness of and response to an active shooter event.

Objectives:

- Discuss the elements of active shooter incident response planning with guidance from expert instructors.
- Describe common behaviors, conditions, and situations associated with active shooter events.
- Discuss how to recognize potential workplace violence indicators.
- Provide information about best practices, communications protocols, and resources that will assist stakeholders to develop or enhance their emergency planning, preparedness, and response to active shooter incidents.

Understanding Liability and Risk Exposure:

The webinar focuses on providing awareness training that supports the development of emergency action planning capabilities. These capabilities may better position organizations in receiving important legal liability protections from the DHS Support Anti-Terrorism by Fostering Effective Technologies (SAFETY) Act of 2002. To learn more about the SAFETY Act and the types of products, services, and layered security programs that have received protections, visit www.safetyact.gov.

Who Should Participate?

- Private and public organizations
- Corporate and facility security professionals
- Supervisory first responders
- Human resource managers
- Community response officials
- Health organizations
- Faith-based leaders
- School administrators and security officers
- Kindergarten through 12 graders
- Homeland security representatives

For more information and resources on Active Shooter Preparedness, visit: cisa.gov/active-shooter-preparedness

[Register Here!](#)

**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.

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