

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.

NYC Emergency Management is requesting that NYC CERT members check catch basins in their area. Use [NYCDEP Citywide Catch Basins Map](#) to find the catch basins by entering your home address or using your current location. NYC CERT members can assist the Department of Environmental Protection to help avoid flooding and backups.

Operational Role:



- Safely clearing catch basins in your area using a broom or rake
- If the basin is clogged below the grate, file a report by calling 311
- DO NOT attempt to lift or remove the grate

Report any actions taken by completing the form found in the following link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/Uk76ezbH6hMGQNZE3>

Remember always to follow the [NYC CERT Standard Operating Procedures](#) when deploying (including contacting NYCEM Watch Command to deploy and stand down).



MONDAY RADIO ROLL CALL

Borough Channel: CERT MN (Manhattan)

Responding Borough: CERT SI (Staten Island)

06/26 Call Scenario: Report the unit #'s of the radios your team possesses.

Documents to Review:

Citywide Radio Drill Refresher

Call signs per Radio

Ready School of the Year!



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 FOR THIS WEEK'S QUESTION](#)

Each year, NYC Emergency Management and NYC Department of Education present the “Ready School of the Year” award to a school that demonstrates an outstanding commitment to emergency preparedness.

This year, Students and staff were honored during NYC Emergency Management’s “Ready School of the Year” award ceremony, presented to P.S. 676, the Harbor Middle School in Red Hook, Brooklyn on Monday, June 12. The school was chosen due to their exceptional work advocating for environmental justice in the community.

“The students and staff of the Harbor Middle School have demonstrated exemplary dedication to combating the adverse effects of climate change through continuous education in emergency disasters and preparedness for themselves and their community,” said NYC Emergency Management Commissioner Zach Iscol.



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

Spread the word to join HERricane!

Apply Now!
Applications due by 6/30



HERricane

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A summer program for young women* ages 16-22 to learn more about careers in emergency management.

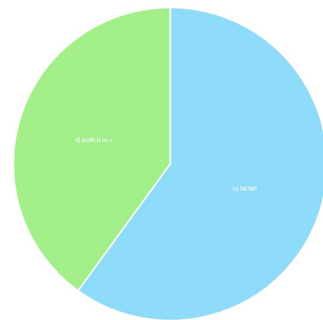


*inclusive of all women, including cisgender, transgender, and non-binary people. All women are encouraged to apply for the program.

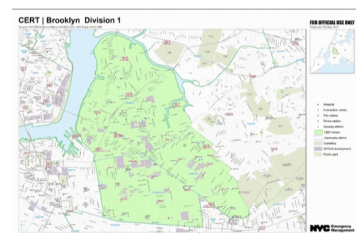
New York City Emergency Management invites New York City youth to participate in the 2023 HERricane NYC program. HERricane NYC is a program designed to encourage young women aged 16-22 to explore careers and leadership roles in emergency management. The program consists of a week-long “camp” for up to 20 selected participants hosted at NYCEM’s office in Brooklyn.

Last week’s question: National Night Out will be here in less than two months and the best time to reach out to your local NYPD precinct to start planning your events and submitting material requests, is _____.

There are three correct answers here! Basically, the time is now, or even yesterday, to start planning for National Night Out! You will want to make sure that you have connected with your Community Affairs Officer at your local precinct well in advance of the event, coordinated staffing with your division and submitted your material requests with extra lead time to be sure that we have enough Ready NY literature on hand to process your request and distribute it to you!



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



The application along with more information can be found [here](#).

Thank You Letter to CERT!



Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Parade

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NYC Emergency Management

Dear CERT,

On behalf of the Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Committee, we write this letter to express our deepest gratitude and heartfelt thanks to CERT's contribution as volunteers for the **5th Annual Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Parade that took place on Sunday, June 2th, 2023**. We had over 1,500 parade participants along with thousands of spectators from across the world who were excited to celebrate Puerto Rican pride and heritage. Your time, effort and resources are incredibly valuable and your willingness to support the parade for the betterment of the community really showed.

With your service, we were able to have a successful parade. Working with our local police department along with our volunteers have been a vital aspect to this event and we will continue to keep on this tradition for our community. You are beyond valued and respect for your work and dedication. Again, we are truly humbled by your generosity and your support.

Thank you again for your volunteerism.

Sincerely,

K.P.R.P.

Knickerbocker Avenue

Puerto Rican Day Parade Committee

cc: Maritza Davila, NYS Assemblywoman, 53rd AD

Robert Camacho, Magnifico Youth Sports Association

A congratulations are in order for those who went out and assisted in the 5th Annual Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Parade! Your collective attitudes and efforts showcased to many the impact that CERT's can provide. Let's continue this great work everyone!

NYC CERT Buddy Check



We warmly invite all NYC CERT members to participate in the Buddy Check program. This wonderful opportunity allows you to take a well-deserved break from your numerous deployments, meetings, training

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

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



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](#).

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

sessions, and exercises, while still supporting your fellow peers and teammates in the program. If you haven't been in touch with someone lately, feel free to extend this outreach to your personal network as well.

A simple "i, how are you?" from a familiar voice can make a world of difference to someone who may be in need. Plus, just like any other volunteer activity, your participation in Buddy Check counts towards your volunteer hours. You'll find a generic entry at the beginning of each month, where you can record your valuable contribution to this initiative.

Don't miss out on this chance to show your care and support for others while taking some time for yourself. Join us for the Buddy Check and let's make a positive impact together!

source for information about emergency alerts and important city services.

Download the free [Notify NYC](#) mobile app, available for [iOS](#) and [Android](#).

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

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. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

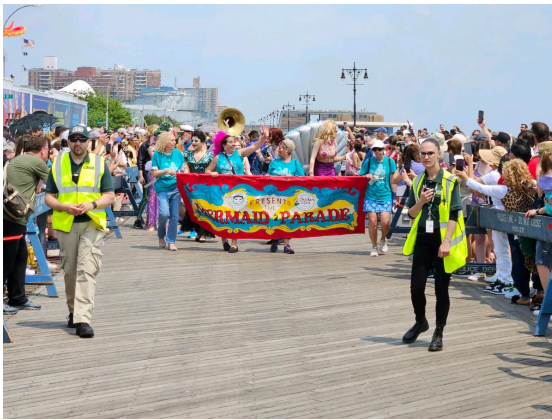
Juneteenth Celebration Street Fair

During the Juneteenth Celebration this past Saturday, CERT volunteers held a tabling event and distributed preparedness materials to the public!





Coney Island Mermaid Parade



This past Saturday marked Coney Island's well known Mermaid Parade. The parade is one of the largest art parades in the nation and attracts hundreds of participants and thousands of spectators. CERT assisted the 60th Precinct throughout the event with crowd control and ensured that the parade route on the boardwalk was clear and moving forward.

Seventh Heaven Street Fair 2023

The 78th precinct requested CERT this past Sunday to assist with crowd control, as well as assisting with managing traffic safely. Great job to all involved!



Ready New York Table at Juneteenth Jubilee in Coney Island



This past Monday, Brooklyn Division 5 led a Ready NY table during the Juneteenth Jubilee at the Nautilus Playground in Coney Island. The Juneteenth Jubilee was hosted by Congressman Hakeem Jeffries, State Senator Jessica Scarcella-Spanton and Assemblymember Alec Brook-Krasny. Great work everyone!

Citizen Police Academy Graduate



Jonathan Castro, from Brooklyn Division 5, has recently graduated from the NYPD citizen police course. It is wonderful that CERT members are continuing to find more than one pathway in order serve our communities.

Congratulations Jonathan!

Gracie Mansion LGBTQ Pride Reception Support



NYC CERT continues to support Gracie Mansion with its weekly receptions. This week volunteers supported the LGTB reception. Volunteers were together with Mayor Adams and other NYCCEM staff that were present at the event.

Interested in supporting events like this? take a look at upcoming events on the events calendar!



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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



NYC Pride Parade Support

On Sunday June 25th, CERT volunteers will be tasked with assisting with organizing ensuring all participants in marching move accordingly and that none of the spectators jump the barricades to join the March route.

[Register Now: Sunday June 25th | 11:00am - 6:00pm](#)

Gracie Mansion NYC Junior Ambassadors End of Year Event



NYC Junior Ambassadors is an initiative focused on empowering 7th graders and 9th graders, throughout the 5 boroughs, to become more engaged with the United Nations and its mission of addressing the most pressing challenges in the world.

At the request of the Mayor's Office for International Affairs, CERT will be tasked with supporting the event as well as assisting with setup/load-in and general event support operations.

[Register Now: Monday June 26 | 7:00am - 1:00pm](#)

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](#)

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](#)

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](#)



Puerto Rican Heritage Reception at Gracie Mansion

The mayor's office for Special Projects and Community events has requested CERT volunteers with pedestrian and line traffic management for the Puerto Rican Reception at Gracie Mansion.

[Register Now: Thursday July 13 | 5:30pm - 7:30pm](#)

CERT Recruitment Suggestions Welcome!

The July CERT Recruitment Group Meeting is open to all members who are interested in sharing their ideas/suggestions for recruitment. CERT Recruitment Group members meet each month to discuss recruitment events and ideas for developing the NYC CERT program throughout NYC. If you have some ideas or success stories you would like to share about recruitment in your area, please join us at the next meeting on Monday, July 17th. We are always looking for fresh ideas!

[Register Now: Mon, Jul 17, 2023 at 7:00 PM](#)





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](#)



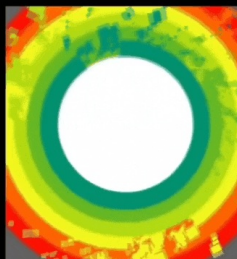
[NYCEM's YouTube page](#)
[NYC CERT recruitment video](#)
[2021 National Volunteer Week video](#)



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



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