

## A Message from our Team



The Community Preparedness Team is grateful to be in connection and in partnership with you each and every day. Stay safe and may this holiday season and New Year be filled with peace, joy and gratitude.

\* We will be issuing travel advisories for the incoming storm, so we'll definitely be emailing our partners again this week. \*

# **COVID-19 Advisory**

Everyone should wear a mask:

- At all times when in an indoor public setting, including inside stores, offices, lobbies, hallways, elevators, public transportation, schools, child care facilities, and other public shared spaces
- In crowded outdoor settings
- If you're sick and unable to separate from others, such as when traveling to and from a health care provider, picking up groceries, and when in shared living spaces
- If you are positive for COVID-19

Wear a high-quality mask, such as a KN95 or KF94, or an N95 respirator, for additional protection.







## Ready New York Question of the Week

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whe	en it hits the	e grou	ınd.						

- a) freezing rain; sleet
- b) sleet; freezing rain
- c) snow; sleet
- d) snow; freezing rain

See the correct answer here.

## **Reminders on Safely Warming Your Home**



## **Safe Home Heating Tips**

Improper use of portable heating equipment can lead to fire or dangerous levels of carbon monoxide. Take precautions to ensure you are heating your home safely.

## **Fire Safety Tips**

Use only portable heating equipment that is approved for indoor use. Keep combustible materials, including furniture, drapes, and carpeting at least three feet away from the heat source. \*never\* drape clothes over a space heater to dry.

Always keep an eye on heating equipment. Never leave children alone in the room where a space heater is running. Turn it off when you are unable to closely monitor it.

Be careful not to overload electrical circuits.

Make sure you have a working smoke alarm in every room. Check and change batteries often.

For more information, the <u>FDNY's website</u> has many Fire Safety resources. Follow the link and click on Holiday and Christmas Fire Safety Materials for specific tips to keep you and your family safe this holiday season, and don't forget to share the information with your community!



Here is a YouTube link to our <u>Winter Webinar</u> where you and your community can learn what the city does during winter storms and receive winter weather safety information.

Other resources to check out:

Tips from NYC Emergency Management
Preparing for a Winter Storm with the CDC
Winter Weather Safety from the National Weather Service

## **Community Flood Action Kit**

# Community Flood Action Toolkit

Protect your property from flood risk

The Community Flood Action Toolkit is a new resource from the team at FloodHelpNY. This toolkit provides high-level information about flood insurance and retrofits.

The toolkit is available in English, Spanish, Simplified Chinese, Russian, and Haitian Creole.

Link to toolkit and more information: Flood Risk Is Rising | News and Info on Flooding | FloodHelpNY.org

## **Upcoming Events**











### **Human Trafficking Awareness Webinar**

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 1:00:00 PM EST Duration: 1 hour(s)

Please join the Region 2 National Preparedness Division for a special webinar featuring a subject matter expert from Homeland Security Investigations, tasked with investigating and dismantling human trafficking efforts throughout the country.

Human trafficking is a hidden crime, and it can happen in any community; victims can be any age, race, gender, or nationality. The first step to combating it is to identify victims so they can be rescued and help bring their perpetrators

to justice. Education and awareness is the route to a safer community.

## Register here!



NYC FloodNet is a cooperative of communities, researchers, and New York City government agencies working to better understand the frequency, severity, and impacts of flooding in New York City.

The FloodNet NYC team is hiring a full-time, NYC-based Community Engagement Manager. The ideal candidate will have experience living and working in NYC, and will also have experience in two or more of the following:

- Community engagement / Organizing
- Sensors / STEM Education
- Flooding / Climate Change Adaptation

Please share with your networks! FloodNet is a great collaborative team, and this job is an opportunity to be part of an innovative and impactful project, all while working within the awesome neighborhoods and community groups of NYC!

More information and application details are

here: https://www.rfcuny.org/careers/postings?pvnID=BK-2208-005001

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis through Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> (or when filled).

## **Partner Spotlight**



On November 17th, NYCEM Community Preparedness attended a Stop the Bleed training sponsored by the East Harlem COAD (EHCOAD). Charla Sarabia, Injury Prevention and Community Outreach Coordinator at Mount Sinai Morningside, and the EHCOAD'S two certified STB trainers, conducted the training.

# Learn More About NYC Emergency Management Community Preparedness - <a href="https://youtu.be/L250wy3o6r4">https://youtu.be/L250wy3o6r4</a>

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