

# NYC Emergency Management CERT NEWSLETTER

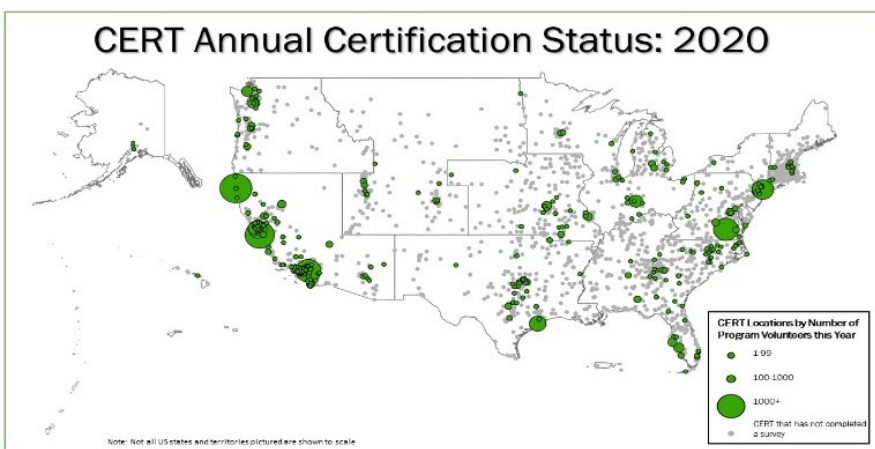
NEW YORK CITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

**EMERGENCY OPERATION CENTER (EOC) IS ACTIVATED SUPPORTING THE RECOVERY FROM TROPICAL STORM IDA.**

**HEALTH AND SAFETY: WHEN INTERACTING WITH THE PUBLIC, NYC CERT MEMBERS MUST WEAR FACE MASKS AT ALL TIMES REGARDLESS OF VACCINATION STATUS.**

This weekly newsletter should provide you with helpful information that you can share and discuss with your community members.

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Each year Community Emergency Response Team programs throughout the nation report programmatic data to help generate an Annual CERT Certification Report. NYC Emergency Management provides data for all reported activity and highlights from the five boroughs that NYC CERT covers, making it important that membership is regularly hosting meetings, participating in events and reporting volunteer hours. Please take a look at the report [HERE](#) to get a better idea of what other CERT programs from around the nation has been up to.



**MONDAY RADIO ROLL CALL**

**Borough Channel: BK**

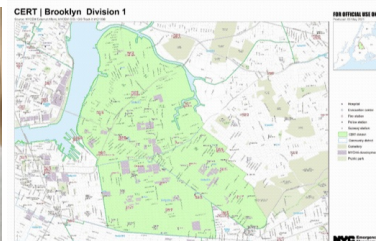
**Scenario:** Report on how many members in your division are trained snow measures?

**10/11 Responding Borough:** QN

**Documents to Review:**  
[Citywide Radio Drill Refresher](#)  
[Call signs per Radio](#)



October is **National Cybersecurity Awareness Month**. Throughout the month, we ask that you raise awareness on the importance of cybersecurity as you participate in community events. Please review all available resources from [Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency](#) and the [National Cybersecurity](#)



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

**Brooklyn - Bronx - Manhattan -**

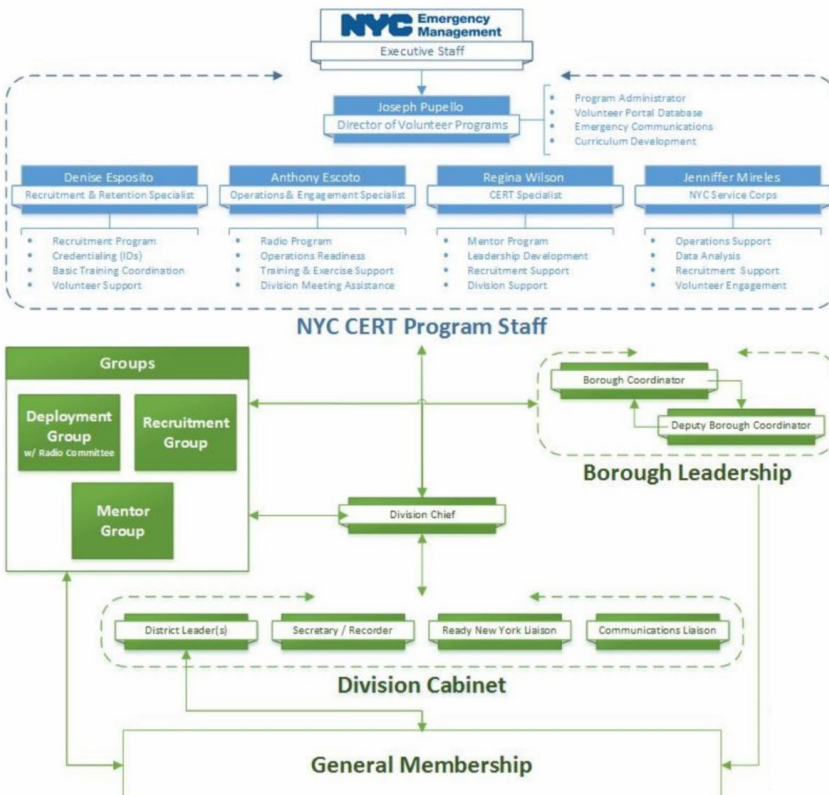
Do Your Part. #BeCyberSmart

# PROGRAM REMINDER



## Communication Structure

**REMINDER:** NYCEM program staff developed the **NYC CERT Program Communication Structure** document in an effort to build better communication between NYCEM Staff and NYC CERT volunteers (general membership, volunteer leadership, and other specialized groups). This should help to provide a clearer understanding of our internal process and how to be more effective in providing a timely response to all membership. Please feel free to reach out to us with any questions.



View the [NYC CERT Event Calendar](#) to see upcoming training, meetings, and planned deployments.

After you participate, be sure to [Submit Your Volunteer Hours!](#)

# 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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American Cancer Society  
Making Strides Against Breast Cancer of Brooklyn  
Volunteers will monitor traffic flow.  
Sunday, October 10, 2021, 7:00 AM – 12:30 PM

Bay Ridge 5th Avenue  
Open Street  
Volunteers will support traffic management.  
Fridays, 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM

## NYC CERT EVENT CALENDAR

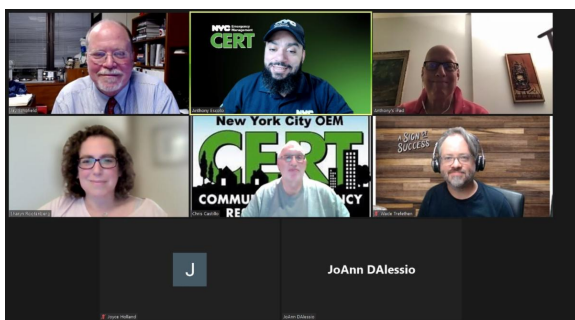


### Are you interested in becoming a mentor to new NYC CERT members?

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.

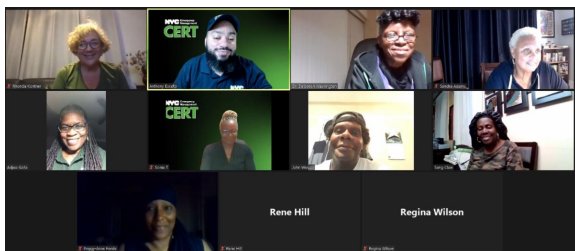
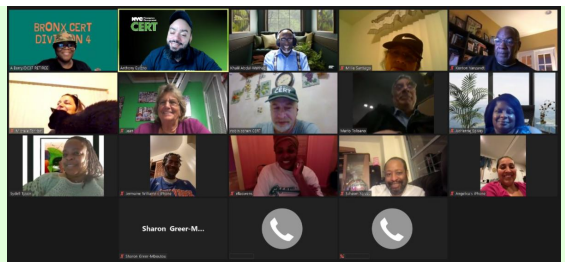
1. Complete the [NYC CERT Mentor Program form](#) to let us know if you'd like to be a mentor or mentee.
2. Complete the [Matching Questionnaire](#) to help pair the mentor to a mentee. Both forms must be filled out to participate in the program.

## VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY



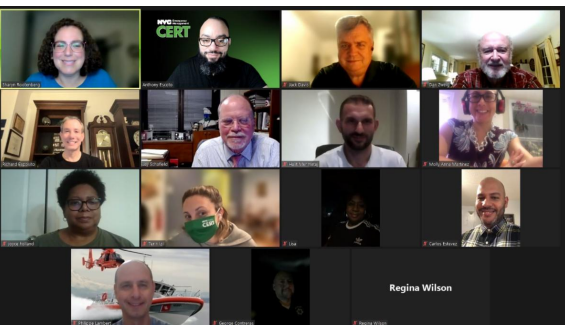
**Manhattan Borough Leadership** hosted their monthly check-in this past week to assess division needs and share best practices with one another to engage and empower members to volunteer.

**Bronx Division 4 CERT** held their monthly meeting earlier this week. During the meeting they reviewed how to access the [NYC CERT Event Calendar](#) and also how to [report volunteers hours](#).



**Queens Division 6 CERT** continues to have interactive meetings. This month members participated in a fun [Kahoot](#) trivia game. It's great to see how teams across the city come up with new ways to engage membership.

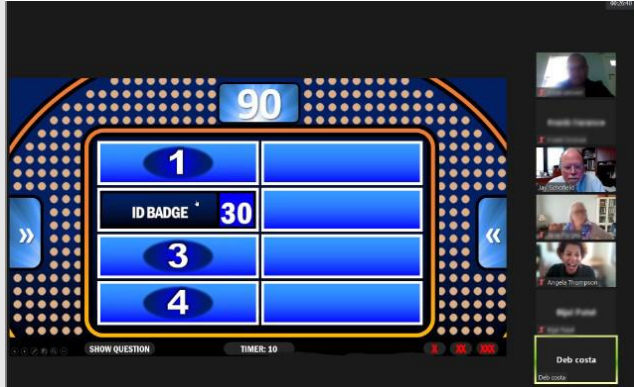
**Manhattan Division 2 CERT** had their monthly meeting to recap recent volunteer opportunities including Tunnel 2 Towers a series of Ready New York presentations.





Brooklyn Division 7 CERT members reviewed resources available in this weekly newsletter, as well as the feedback garnered by the recently conducted call-tree exercise. This is a good reminder that Communication Liaisons do not only focus on radios.

*Below are a couple of more photos of our NYC CERT leaders taking on NJ CERT members in CERT Feud!*



**Download NYC CERT Background** to use during Meetings and Training in a virtual environment (e.g. Microsoft Teams, Zoom, etc.)



## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



### Maintaining and Revitalizing your CERT Program

Tuesday, October 26, 2021 1:00PM - 2:30 PM

Please join **FEMA Region 2** as ideas and best practices are shared for maintaining and revitalizing your CERT program.

[Register Here](#)

**NYC CERT online platform** includes online courses to support volunteer growth.

Schedule a free Fire Safety training for your Division at **[FDNY Smart Fire Safety](#)**.

**FEMA Region 2 (R2) Webinar Catalog** includes all recorded webinars from Jan-June of 2021.

### COVID-19 Community Conversations: Mental Health, Equity and Resilience

DOHMH is offering free virtual training to community groups. There are two options, a **[1-hour informational virtual presentation](#)** and a **[3-hour interactive training](#)** (available in English, Spanish, Cantonese, and Mandarin).

## THINGS TO KNOW



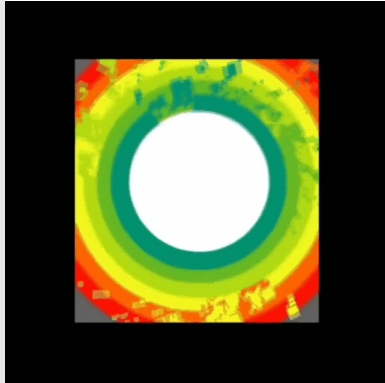
[NYCEM's Youtube page](#)  
[NYC CERT recruitment video](#)  
[2021 National Volunteer Week video](#)



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 Regular reminders in simple steps that can help you work preparedness into your busy schedule.



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