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NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT'S LATEST *¡PREPÁRATE!* PODCAST EPISODE CELEBRATES HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH WITH NEW YORK CITY DEPUTY SHERIFF SERGIO BOCANUMENTH

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October 9, 2024 — When Sergio Bocanumenth arrived in New York City as a 12-year-old from Medellin, Colombia with his parents and three brothers, he quickly embraced the diversity that New York City has to offer. Sergio and his brothers went from learning about different cultures and languages in books, to having neighbors and making friends with people from all over the world.

On the latest episode of *!Prepárate!* Bocanumenth shares how his love for community led him to a career in law enforcement. A career where being bilingual has been an asset, especially when dealing with the public in a city like New York with visitors and residents from all corners of the Hispanic diaspora.

“A career in law enforcement was appealing because I’ve always had a respect for authority and a desire to help people. Working with New York City Emergency Management has allowed me to add the training courses they offer to what I already have through my sheriff training. For example, a class on CPR or how to make a tourniquet. You never know when you may be able to lend a hand during an emergency,” said Bocanumenth.

You can listen to the latest *¡Prepárate!* episode on [SoundCloud](#).

Profile

Sergio Bocanumenth has been a New York City Deputy Sheriff since July 1998 where he was a civil enforcer of local, state and federal courts. He has been the liaison from NYC Sheriff's office to New York City Emergency Management since 2018. He is currently assigned as assistant chief of security at NYCEM. Bocanumenth earned his associate's degree of pre-engineering from SUNY Farmingdale and his bachelor's degree in Aeronautics from Dowling College.

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