



NEWSLETTER

HURRICANES DON'T WAIT. NEITHER SHOULD YOU. #KNOWYOURZONE



The Atlantic Coastal Storm season started on June 1, 2022. Share this preparedness information with your communities.

Hurricanes don't wait, and neither should you.

- **MAKE AN EMERGENCY PLAN** - Everyone in your household should know and understand the emergency plan and evacuation zones. Visit <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/guides-resources.page>
- **KNOW YOUR ZONE** - Visit www.nyc.gov/knowyourzone
- **GATHER SUPPLIES** - Everyone in your household should have a Go Bag (<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/get-prepared.page>)
- **STAY CONNECTED** - Register for Notify NYC (<https://a858-nycnotify.nyc.gov/>) New York City's official source for information about emergency alerts and important city services. You can also receive real-time alerts from the National Weather Service by downloading the FEMA App (<https://www.fema.gov/about/news-multimedia/mobile-app-text-messages>)

Visit NYC.gov/knowyourzone or call 311 (212-639-6375 for Video Relay Service, or TTY: 212-504-4115) to learn what to do to prepare for hurricanes in New York City.

PRESS RELEASE: NYC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND STATEN ISLAND BOROUGH PRESIDENT ANNOUNCE NEW BOROUGH COMMAND CENTER (June 1, 2022)

In line with the start of Atlantic hurricane season, the New York City Emergency Management Department and Staten Island Borough President Vito Fossella debuted the Borough Command Center (BCC) on Staten Island for emergency responders. The BCC will serve as a hub for NYC Emergency Management responders to mobilize and coordinate emergency assets during large-scale emergencies on Staten Island, allowing first responders to strategically address the specific needs of Staten Island's communities.

“Disasters start and end locally, and this new command center will allow us to effectively respond to emergencies that affect Staten Island,” said **NYC Emergency Management Zach Iscol**. “We are thankful to Borough President Fossella and his office for their support in helping us continue to build a robust emergency response structure in this city.

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Guidance During High Alert Level

- **Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines: Get vaccinated and boosted.** Vaccines are available for everyone ages 5 and older. Booster doses are available for everyone 12 and older.
 - Visit the [NYC COVID-19 and Flu Vaccine Finder](#) or call 877-VAX4NYC (877-829-4692) to find a vaccination site.
 - [COVID-19: Vaccine](#)

- **Wear a face mask in all public indoor settings and crowded outdoor settings.** Upgrade to higher-quality masks, including KN95, KF94, N95, or a cloth mask on top of a surgical mask. Higher-quality masks will most benefit people who are at high risk of severe illness, are over 65 or are unvaccinated.
 - [Guidance for Face Masks](#)
- **Consider avoiding higher-risk activities.** Do not go to crowded, indoor gatherings. Limit any type of gathering to a small number of people.
- **Get tested.** Testing is especially important if you have COVID-19 symptoms or were recently in contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19. You should also get tested before and after traveling or getting together with others.
 - [COVID-19: Testing](#)
- **Stay home if sick or recently exposed.** Follow all isolation and quarantine guidance, including wearing a face mask. COVID-19 is highly contagious. You can spread COVID-19 even if you do not have symptoms.
 - [COVID-19: What to Do When Sick](#)

The alert system can be found on NYC Health's [website](#).



"The Storm" Toolkit

Community groups, emergency networks and local COADs are encouraged to share "The Storm" toolkit in their newsletters, with their members and with their local libraries.

NYC Emergency Management (NYCEM) has created a toolkit specifically for ESOL classrooms. The toolkit contains a 25-minute episode, called [The Storm](#), focused on emergency preparedness and City resources.

Each Toolkit contains:

- 1 DVD of "The Storm" (subtitles available in English, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, Chinese, and Bangla)
- 1 Facilitator Guide
- 30 Study Guides for students
- 30 Emergency preparedness "[My Plan](#)" workbooks with hurricane

- evacuation zone maps
- 5 Sets of Conversation Groups Pictures and Words

To order a free toolkit, please email readyny@oem.nyc.gov

TAKE FOUR EASY STEPS TODAY TO PROTECT YOUR HOME AND FINANCES FROM FLOODING



1. **Take photos** of our important belongings to help expedite insurance claims
2. **Put copies** of important documents in a waterproof container or save electronically
3. **Move** valuable items from the basement to the upper floors to prevent water damage
4. **Get** flood insurance or **review** your current policy to ensure that it is up-to-date

Visit Floodhelpny.org to learn more.

UPCOMING EVENTS

RiSC Community Open House at Kaiser Park, Coney Island!

Join RiSC students and their teachers as they showcase their projects on climate change, climate justice, & resilience in the Coney Island community.



The Resilient Schools Consortium (RiSC) program educates middle and high school students about climate science, current and future climate impacts and resilience solutions.



Register at
<https://bit.ly/3KkEOix>

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