



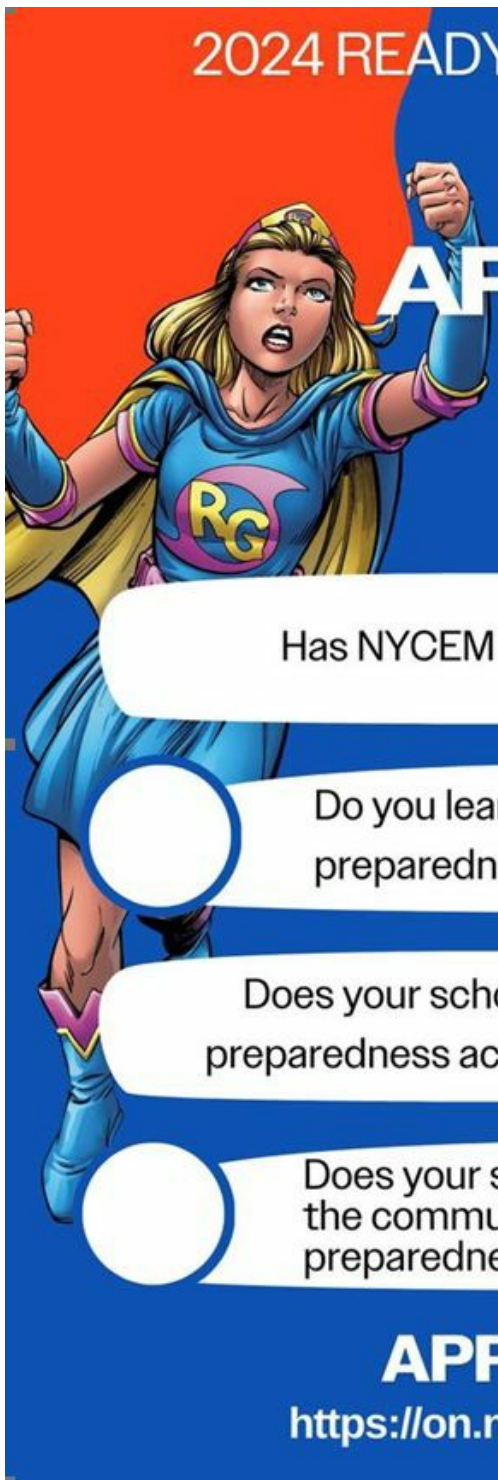
Are you getting ready for Spring cleaning? Take this time to dust the cobwebs off of your emergency plan and make any adjustments necessary. Even as we leave the winter behind, you should still be prepared and ready for severe weather and other emergencies.

- **Update your Go Bag and your emergency supplies at home.**
- **Make sure your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors have fresh batteries.**
- **If you have children in your home, make sure you have window guards installed and keep furniture away from windows so everyone can safely enjoy the Spring breeze!**
- **Sign up for [Notify NYC](#) so you can receive alerts and warnings.**
- **Update and practice your emergency plan.**
- **Check in with your neighbors! Talk to them about their plans and get involved in the community.**

12 WAYS TO PREPARE

<input type="checkbox"/>  Sign up for Alerts and Warnings	<input type="checkbox"/>  Make a Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>  Save for a Rainy Day	<input type="checkbox"/>  Practice Emergency Drills	<input type="checkbox"/>  Test Family Communication Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>  Safeguard Documents
<input type="checkbox"/>  Plan with Neighbors	<input type="checkbox"/>  Make Your Home Safer	<input type="checkbox"/>  Know Evacuation Routes	<input type="checkbox"/>  Assemble or Update Supplies	<input type="checkbox"/>  Get Involved in Your Community	<input type="checkbox"/>  Document and Insure Property

2024 Ready School of the Year Award!



2024 READY SCHOOL OF THE YEAR
AWARD
APPLICATION
DEADLINE: APRIL 5

Has NYCEM Visited Your School?

Do you learn about emergency preparedness in the classroom?

Does your school include emergency preparedness activities during the year?

Does your school notify local events in the community about emergency preparedness?

APPLY NOW!
<https://on.nyc.gov/2024RSOTY>

Do you know a New York City school that is involved in emergency preparedness? Have they hosted NYC Emergency Management (NYCEM) at their school? Do they promote emergency preparedness to the community? Encourage them to apply for NYCEM's 2024 Ready School of the Year Award! **Applications are due by April 5th, 2024. Apply at on.nyc.gov/2024RSOTY**

Partner Spotlight



Thank you and props to **Pakistani COAD**, a [Strengthening Communities](#) network partner, for inviting our team out to distribute food for Ramadan along with Notify NYC cards.

Did you know **Notify NYC** messages are available in multiple languages, including English, Arabic, Bengali, Chinese, French, Haitian Creole, Italian, Korean, Polish, Russian, Spanish, Urdu, Yiddish, and American Sign Language (ASL) video format? Sign up for Notify NYC, the City's free, official emergency communications program, in your preferred language and format at [NYC.gov/notifynyc](https://nyc.gov/notifynyc)

General Info and Upcoming Events

Southeast Queens Residents Environmental Justice Coalition: Environmental Town Hall

Saturday, March 30, 2024 | 12 pm - 3 pm ET

Please join the Southeast Queens Residents Environmental Justice Coalition for a town hall forum to discuss how flooding impacts the Southeast Queens Community. You will hear about protecting your property from flooding, waterproofing your basement, getting the best insurance policy, community resilience, and more!

The event will take place in person at Robert Ross Johnson Family Life Center, 172-17 Linden Boulevard, St. Albans, NY 11433.

Southeast Queens Residents Environmental Justice Coalition

Environmental Town Hall Forum

Let's Talk Flooding and Our Community

TOPICS: Protecting your property from flooding | Waterproofing your basement | Sewer backups | Getting the best insurance policy | Highwater table and groundwater intrusion | Community Resilience | Coping with extreme weather challenges

Sponsors:



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Addisleigh Park Civic Organization
Brinkerhoff Action Association
Greater Triangular Civic Association
St. Albans Civic Improvement Association
149th St South Ozone Park Civic Association

PARTNERS:

NY Disaster Interfaith Services
NY Presbyterian Hospital - Flushing
Springfield Gardens Civic Association

MARCH 30th, 2024 | 12pm-3pm

Robert Ross Johnson Family Life Center, 172-17 Linden Blvd., St. Albans NY 11433

GUEST SPEAKERS:

Center for NYC Neighborhoods - Jovan Ellis
Floodnet - Veronique Ignace
NYCEM Emergency Management - Jill Cornell
NYCEM Risk Reduction and Recovery - Nell Durfee
NY Disaster Interfaith Services - Lucy Cummings



Flood Watch New York

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help document flooding and storm damage

Flood Watch New York is a program that collects and analyzes crowd-sourced photos of flooding and hazardous weather impacts across New York's varied coasts and waterbodies through the MyCoast NY tool.

Photos are linked to real-time environmental conditions to create reports that help emergency managers, local planners, residents, and state agencies understand our changing environment and make informed decisions.



REPORT TYPES



FLOOD WATCH -
Tracking flooding
across the state



STORM REPORTER -
Documenting damage
after the storm

Download the **MyCoast app** or visit **MyCoast.org/ny**

DOWNLOAD



REGISTER



SNAP PHOTO



+ ADD REPORT



Need more info?
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APPLY: Public Health Emergencies Pitch Competition!



Pandemic
Response
Institute

FIREFLY
INNOVATIONS

GRAND CHALLENGE COMPETITION

INNOVATIONS IN PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES

Apply by March 31, 2024!

Up to Ten \$500 Prizes
for the Top Ideas

Opportunities to Pitch and
Apply for Seed Grants!

Connect with Columbia
& CUNY Faculty

Firefly Innovations, the premier public health entrepreneurship platform of the **CUNY Graduate School of Public Health & Health Policy**, in partnership with the **New York City Pandemic Response Institute (PRI)** announce the Grand Challenge Competition for Innovations in Public Health Emergencies!

The competition seeks to identify the most promising ideas and technological solutions for public health emergencies – from pandemics to climate change – within the following focus areas:

- *Access to Care and Social Service Solutions that improve the ability to fill critical needs during public health emergencies*
- *Community Engagement & Communications Solutions which enhance the ability to reach and mobilize the public*
- *Data Sharing, Analytics, Modeling, & Forecasting Solutions which increase the prediction and shared understanding of public health emergencies*
- *Diagnostic Solutions which address access gaps and advance point of care, laboratory, or other testing efforts*

Submissions are required to include an emphasis on Health Equity, & Social Determinants of Health and submissions in the areas of Artificial intelligence and Machine Learning are highly encouraged.

Winning ideas will receive:

- *Up to ten \$500 prizes for the top ideas*
- *Opportunities to connect with multidisciplinary researchers at Columbia University and the City University of New York*
- *Invitation to apply for a seed grant for R&D*
- *An invitation to pitch at the PRI Innovation Forum*

Deadline to apply is **March 31, 2024**. Multiple idea submissions are allowed. Submit your ideas by [clicking here!](#)

Get FREE Help to File Your Taxes!



**Maximum credits. Full refund.
Your family deserves it. Get it back.**



If you earned \$85,000 or less in 2023, you can file your taxes for **FREE** with an IRS-certified VITA/TCE volunteer preparer. Services are available virtually online and in person. Find out more by [clicking here](#). **The deadline to file a tax return for your 2023 taxes is April 15, 2024.**

Freeze Your Rent!



Eligible New Yorkers with disabilities and older New Yorkers can stop their rent from increasing with the City's Rent Freeze program.

Call PEU's **Rent Freeze** Hotline at **929-252-7242**.

NYC Mayor's Public Engagement Unit
Rent Freeze



The NYC Rent Freeze Program, helps eligible New Yorkers with disabilities and seniors stay in affordable housing by freezing their rent. Find out more about the program by calling the **Rent Freeze Hotline** at **929-252-7242**. You can also visit the program website for my information by [clicking here](#).

We Are Hiring! Join the NYC Emergency Management Team



New York City Emergency Management (NYCEM) is responsible for coordinating citywide emergency planning and response for all types and scales of emergencies. It is staffed by more than 200 dedicated professionals with diverse backgrounds and areas of expertise, including individuals assigned from other City agencies.

Our Mission: NYC Emergency Management helps New Yorkers before, during, and after emergencies through preparedness, education, and response.

Our Jobs: NYC Emergency Management has a variety of vacancies within multiple bureaus across the agency – the jobs summaries below are simply a selection of the jobs available. For more vacancies, [click here](#). For full job descriptions, go to NYC.gov/jobs and search by the Job IDs listed.

BUREAU: Readiness

Interagency Training Program Manager, \$65,000-\$74,000- Job ID# 627148

The Learning and Development unit develops, delivers, and coordinates trainings as well as professional development and leadership programs that build and strengthen the capabilities of NYCEM staff and interagency partners. The Interagency Training Program Manager will be responsible for the development and implementation of comprehensive training programs to support both intra-agency and inter-agency emergency management training. This position requires Learning and Development experience.

BUREAU: External Affairs

Senior Press Officer, \$57,500-\$70,000 – Job ID# 602123

Join the New York City Emergency Management (NYCEM) team as a Senior Press Officer in our External Affairs bureau's Press unit. In this high-impact role, you'll help secure New York City's resilience by delivering key information and executing strategic communication plans. You'll be involved in daily press operations and act swiftly during emergency incidents. As a vital link to the public, stakeholders, and media, you'll convey complex emergency issues clearly and consistently. In your role, you'll be instrumental in shaping and executing our agency's public information strategy, ensuring its alignment with our broader vision. You'll also manage various press portfolios, concentrating on establishing solid relationships with local media to achieve a unified communication strategy.

BUREAU: Logistics

Logistics Specialist, \$57,500-\$65,000 – Job ID# 630997

Under the supervision of the Director of Mutual Aid & Resource Processing, with wide latitude for independent initiative and judgment, the Logistics Specialist will increase logistics coordination

when NYC is requesting or providing mutual aid. The Specialist will work closely with other units within NYCEM, as well as City, State, Federal, and non-governmental agency partners to develop and maintain existing mutual aid capabilities.

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

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