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NEWSLETTER

**Join Us in Celebrating Earth Day 2024! Register
for the Power of Urban Gardens Webinar**



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EARTH DAY WEBINAR: URBAN GARDENS!

We'll Cover:

- What is an Urban Garden
- How do they work to reduce the effects of climate change?

April 17 at 1PM

on.nyc.gov/3JaLXUa


NYC Parks
GreenThumb

Join the NYC Emergency Management (NYCEM) Community Engagement team for an exciting webinar celebrating Earth Day 2024. During this webinar we will discuss the power of urban gardens - particularly how they build community and help protect New Yorkers against environmental hazards. The webinar will take place on **Wednesday, April 17th, at 1pm ET**. Register by

Partner Spotlight



The NYCEM Community Engagement team would like to shout out East Harlem COAD, a [Strengthening Communities](#) program partner, who hosted a photo gallery and networking event highlighting their amazing work throughout the years!

Flooding Safety Tips: Be Prepared for April Showers

FLOODING SAFETY TIPS



1

Stay Informed. Sign up for emergency alerts from NotifyNYC at nyc.gov/notify or follow us on Twitter @NotifyNYC.

2

Find out your flood risk at floodhelpny.org. Consider getting flood insurance if you live in a flood-prone area at floodsmart.gov.

3

If you live in a basement apartment, have a plan to move to higher ground if necessary. Sign up for the basement alerts group on [NotifyNYC](#).

4

If it is safe to do so, clear debris from catch basins to prevent street flooding. Call 311 to report clogged basins.

5

Check on friends, family, and vulnerable neighbors.

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THESE TIPS, VISIT [ON.NYC.GOV/FLOODHELP](https://on.nyc.gov/floodhelp)

General Info and Upcoming Events

Open Streets: Car Free Earth Day

Saturday, April 20, 2024 | 10 am - 4 pm ET

Car-Free Earth Day is an annual car-free event hosted by NYC DOT. Programming is presented at signature and partner produced locations citywide, to promote activism and education surrounding

climate change, sustainability, and other relevant topics.

Through the support of Lyft, Citi Bike will offer free unlimited 30-minute rides on a classic Citi Bike on Car-Free Earth Day. All riders may take advantage of the offer by using the promo code CARFREE24 in the Citi Bike app.



For more information and to find a Car-Free Earth Day location near you, [click here!](#)

Hazard Mitigation Plan Earth Day Webinar

Monday, April 22, 2024 | 12 pm - 1 pm ET

Join NYC Emergency Management to learn about the NYC Hazard Mitigation Plan ([nychazardmitigation.com](https://nyc.gov/nychazardmitigation.com)) and its tools to visualize your risk from natural hazards. This webinar will provide additional information on mitigation actions in honor of Earth Day.

Register by [clicking here](#).



APPLY: Youth Ambassador Opportunity for High School Students

Waterfront Alliance's Youth Ambassadors for Adaptation and Resilience Program will help high school students across New York City become better communicators and leaders in preparing their communities for climate hazards. This year-long program will bring together students from schools all across the city.



An in-person orientation will be held on Saturday, June 15th, which will provide students with an introduction to the program and the first training on general emergency preparedness and extreme heat. This training will give you the tools necessary to support your communities in

preparing for heat waves and high temperatures during the summer.

Following this orientation, five workshop/check-in dates will be scheduled to take place during the 2024-2025 school year (exact dates TBD).

Additionally, students will be given leadership training on setting goals for the number of families engaged and will spend time with their cohort of ambassadors on best practices and lessons learned.

Application deadline is April 15th, 2024. Access the application by [clicking here](#).

APPLY: Con Edison "Climate Justice for Resilient Communities" Grant

Con Edison is issuing a request for proposals (RFP) to provide an initial grant of up to \$3 million over the next three years to help local organizations combat the effects of extreme heat and other climate-related extreme weather events on disadvantaged and historically marginalized communities across the five boroughs and in Westchester County.



Proposals should address the intersectional issues of extreme heat & humidity, extreme weather events, and/or precipitation & flooding with the outcome of building and advancing resiliency in these areas.

Con Edison will prioritize proposals from organizations/organizational partnerships that:

- Center and emerge from communities that have been historically marginalized and disadvantaged, including educational institutions who can demonstrate an extensive history of community partnerships.
- Have a history of organizing around justice issues (environmental justice and/or climate justice preferred).
- Have a strong leadership team (staff, board, volunteers) that reflects the demographic make-up of their communities.
- Are highly engaged and interactive with the identified community members and able to demonstrate a high level of community input into the project/plan.
- Clearly stated policy and advocacy goals related to the disproportionate climate impacts within the communities they serve.
- Can demonstrate that their project will have meaningful impact for their communities.

Application materials must be emailed on or before **May 3, 2024, at 5 p.m. ET**.

Learn more about the opportunity and guidelines by [clicking here](#).

DEADLINE: Taxes are Due April 15th! 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.**

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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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. **To see a full list of our April 2024 job vacancies, [click here](#).**

BUREAU: Office of Strategic Operations

Data Visualization Specialist, \$57,500-\$64,500- Job ID# 592175

The Data Visualization Specialist will report to the Data Visualization Program Manager and be responsible for supporting the development and implementation of data visualizations to establish situational awareness during emergencies, identify trends and potential areas for improvement, and encourage data-driven decision-making during day-to-day operations. The ideal candidate should have prior experience responding to requests for data and analysis, contributing to projects from scope development to delivery, and interpreting the results in a concise, easy-to-understand manner.

BUREAU: Office of the Chief Financial

Procurement Specialist, \$57,000-\$65,000 – Job ID# 625497

The Procurement Unit is responsible for providing management, oversight, review, and support of all procurement functions at NYCEM. NYCEM procurements are governed by the City Charter and the City Procurement Policy Board (PPB) Rules.

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.

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