



## NEWSLETTER

### **NOTICE: Nationwide Emergency Alert Test on October 4th, 2023**

The Federal Emergency Management Administration and the Federal Communications Commission will conduct a nationwide test of the Emergency Alert Systems (EAS) and Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) on October 4. WEA and EAS messages are emergency public warning tools used during natural or human-made disasters to target a localized area. The test messages are a collaboration between FEMA, the FCC, cellular service and broadcast providers.

The national test will consist of two portions, testing WEA and EAS capabilities. The WEA portion of the test will be directed to all WEA-compatible consumer cell phones. The test message will display in either English or in Spanish, depending on the language settings of the wireless handset. The EAS portion of the test will be sent to radios and televisions. Both tests are scheduled to begin at approximately 2:20 p.m. ET on Wednesday, Oct. 4.

For additional information on the nationwide test please visit [FEMA.gov](https://www.fema.gov).

### **Partner Spotlight**



**PREPSI - Staten Island Urban Center  
Community Partnership Initiatives - The New York Foundling  
Staten Island COAD - Nonprofit Staten Island**

Thank you to our Strengthening Communities partners who shared their resources at the Staten Island Children's Museum on Sunday, September 24.

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**Thank you to all of our partners who hosted and/or participated in  
National Preparedness Month events this year!**

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**Flood Preparedness + Awareness Webinar  
Recording**



On September 29th, NYC Emergency Management (NYCEM) and The Center for

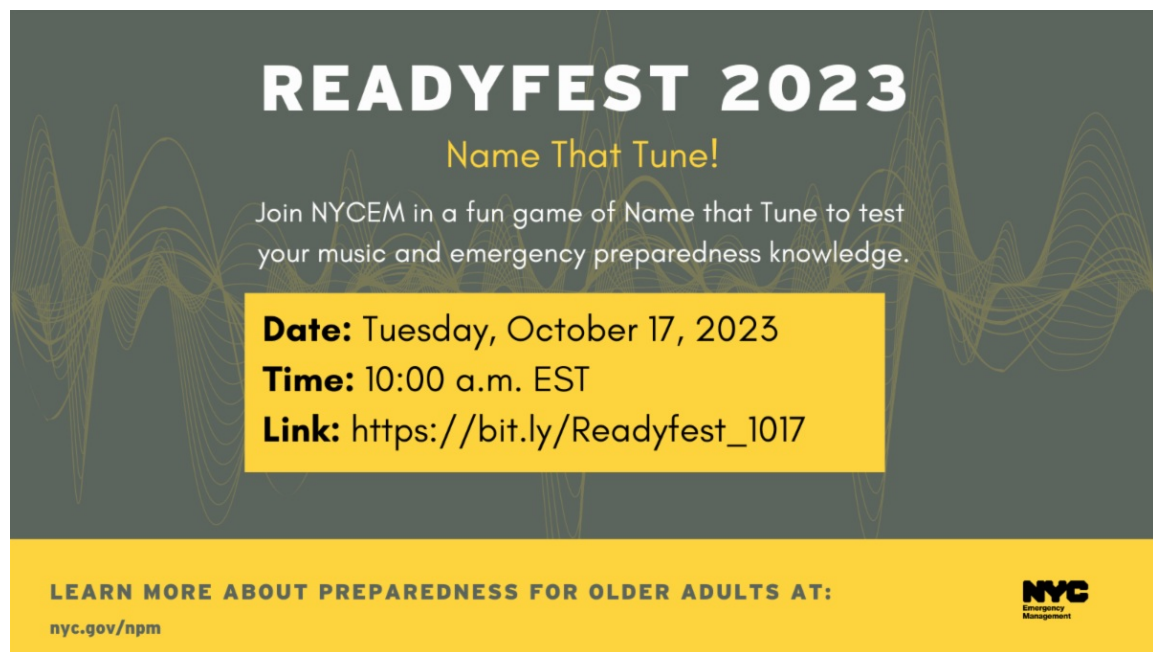
New York City Neighborhoods (CNYCN) facilitated a webinar on flooding resources and steps you can take to prepare.

Watch the Recording Here: [https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/rec/share/e7oOi4nl3MiD-sfeKBr5-lu42LyYskTCcWTmNCPM1uNVd\\_AP0OUVMdyz2UfBwzcb.PSV5VfHt8UXvf7Gh](https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/rec/share/e7oOi4nl3MiD-sfeKBr5-lu42LyYskTCcWTmNCPM1uNVd_AP0OUVMdyz2UfBwzcb.PSV5VfHt8UXvf7Gh)

## Additional Flooding Preparedness Resources

1. NYCEM: [Know Your Zone \(Hurricane Evacuation Zone\) Map](#)
2. NYCEM: [Community Risk Assessment Dashboard](#)
3. NYCEM: [ReadyNY Information and Event Request](#)
4. 311: [Submit a Severe Weather Damage Report](#)
5. Department of Environmental Protection: [Homeowner's Guide to Rain Event Preparedness](#)
6. Center for New York City Neighborhoods: [FloodHelpNY](#)
7. FloodNet: [Real-Time and Historical Street Flooding Data](#)

## Virtual ReadyFest



**READYFEST 2023**  
Name That Tune!

Join NYCEM in a fun game of Name that Tune to test your music and emergency preparedness knowledge.

**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. EST  
**Link:** [https://bit.ly/Readyfest\\_1017](https://bit.ly/Readyfest_1017)

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[nyc.gov/npm](https://nyc.gov/npm)

**NYC**  
Emergency Management

Register using this link: <https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwkc-igpjgiHdwwlWfhPoJvgRA0efU5Vkh1#/registration>

## General Info and Upcoming Events

### Stop the Bleed

Wednesday, October 4, 2023 | 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm ET OR 4:00 pm to 5pm ET

Join the Brooklyn Public Library and Maimonides Health for a virtual *Stop the Bleed* course on the first Wednesday of each month. *Stop the Bleed* provides people with the tools and knowledge to

stop life-threatening bleeding in the event of an emergency situation. Bleeding is the



number one cause of preventable death after injury, and the actions of immediate responders can be crucial in determining the outcome of the situation. The course focuses on the immediate response to bleeding, recognizing life-threatening bleeding, and appropriate ways to stop bleeding.

Registration: [bklynlibrary.org/calendar](https://bklynlibrary.org/calendar) and search "Stop the Bleed"

## Mental Health Preparedness for a Disaster or Emergency

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 | 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm ET

Please join the Region 2 Preparedness Team for a webinar on mental health preparedness in the event of a disaster or emergency.

Being prepared for an emergency allows us to organize ourselves and better structure the response we will have to it. Having material and

knowledge in advance facilitates the effective actions that we will take later.

However, it is also necessary to prepare ourselves emotionally. When disaster strikes, individuals are not only at risk of physical injury, but may also experience emotional and psychological "wounds." Taking care of your mental health before an emergency will help you think clearly and react to urgent needs to protect yourself, and your family and community.



Registration:

<https://fema.connectsolutions.com/mentalthprep/event/registration.html>

## Earthquake Awareness and Preparedness

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 | 10:30 am to 12:00 pm ET

Please join the Region 2 National Preparedness Division for an Earthquake Preparedness webinar on the day before International ShakeOut Day. The discussion will include tips on how to prepare and what to do during an earthquake.



This webinar will feature guest speakers from the University of Puerto Rico Mayagüez, Puerto Rico Seismic Network. These subject matter experts will discuss the background and impact of earthquakes and tsunamis in Region 2, specifically in Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands. Additionally, the webinar will provide preparedness information including how to update emergency plans and supplies, and to secure your space in order to prevent damage and injuries.

Registration:

<https://fema.connectsolutions.com/earthquakeprep/event/registration.html>

## International ShakeOut Day

At 10:19 a.m. on October 19, 2023, thousands of people will “Drop, Cover, and Hold On” in The Great NorthEast ShakeOut, the region's largest earthquake drill ever! All individuals and families are encouraged to participate, either on their own or as part of a larger group. Major earthquakes may happen anywhere you live, work, or travel. The ShakeOut is our chance to practice how to protect ourselves, and for everyone to become prepared. The goal is to prevent a major earthquake from becoming a catastrophe for you, your organization, and your community.



For more information and registration: <https://www.shakeout.org/northeast/>

## NYC Street Harassment Prevention Survey Launched



The NYC [Street Harassment Prevention Advisory Board](#) (SHPAB) requests your help in taking its street harassment survey and in spreading awareness about the “End Street Harassment: A NYC Resource Guide” which can both be found at [nyc.gov/endstreetharassment](https://nyc.gov/endstreetharassment).

Street harassment is a form of violence and a reality for far too many New Yorkers. Street harassment is unwanted and unwelcome threatening or offensive acts, statements, or behaviors directed at someone in public spaces such as sidewalks, streets, parks, and public transportation. We know this kind of harassment harms people of all ages, races, national origins, gender identities and expressions, sexual orientations, and people with disabilities. It can have both immediate and long-term effects on individuals and communities.

The public survey will enable us to gather vital information about the frequency and impacts of street harassment across communities in New York City, as well as what kind of resources people are looking for to help prevent and respond to street harassment.

### **Help New Yorkers feel safe in public without fear of harassment:**

- TAKE the [survey](#) and share it with your networks.
- DOWNLOAD the [resource guide](#) and share it with your networks.
- SHARE social media posts about the survey and resource guide by downloading our [toolkit](#) and using the hashtag

#MakeNYCHarassmentFree.

- SHARE Mayor Adams' [video](#) of support with your networks.

For more information including how you can join next week's citywide Day of Action to spread awareness about the survey and resource guide, please contact [genderequity@cityhall.nyc.gov](mailto:genderequity@cityhall.nyc.gov).



After several years of issuing a Community Preparedness Newsletter on a weekly basis, we will now be making an adjustment. Beginning on Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> the Community Preparedness Newsletter will shift to bi-weekly correspondence. The next newsletter will arrive on Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for being a subscriber of this newsletter and we look forward to continuing engagement being part of our greater Community Preparedness Newsletter. We will continue to share timely emergency information with all subscribers during emergency events.

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

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