

NYC Emergency Management
CERT **NEWSLETTER**

NEW YORK CITY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

This weekly newsletter should provide you with helpful information that you can share and discuss with your community members.

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As volunteers, you understand the importance community and the commitment to helping others in need. This weekend we ask that you take the time to remember the brave Americans lost protecting us and preserving our right to freedom. Their

commitment and sacrifice should never be forgotten. NYC Emergency Management is sending you and your family warm wishes on Memorial Day.



MONDAY RADIO ROLL CALL

5/30 No call: Memorial Day

Documents to Review:

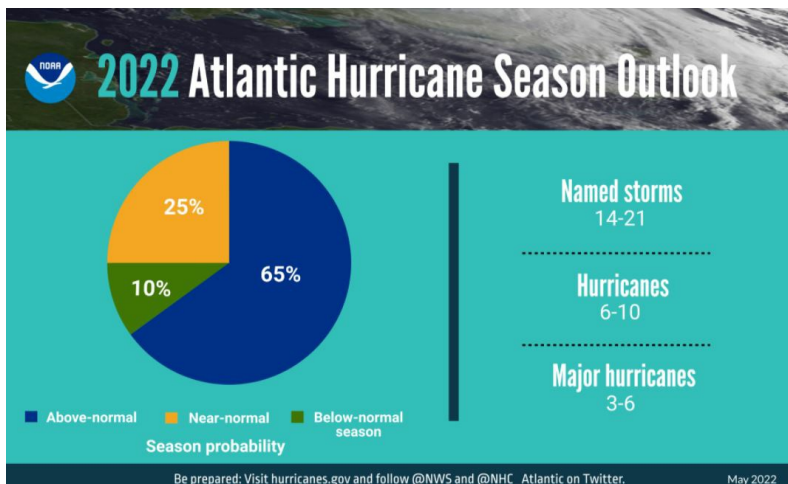
[Citywide Radio Drill Refresher](#)

[Call signs per Radio](#)

NOAA predicts above-normal 2022 Atlantic Hurricane Season



NOAA announced its initial outlook for the 2022 Atlantic hurricane season during a news conference on May 24 at the New York City Emergency Management Department in Brooklyn, New York. Speakers gave the official forecast including the number of named storms and hurricanes expected for the 2022 Atlantic hurricane season. The Atlantic Hurricane season begins on June 1 and ends on November 30.



QUIZ OF THE WEEK



Each week we will have a survey with questions that relates back to lessons learned during NYC CERT training or your experience as a member. The answer will be revealed in the following week's newsletter. Good Luck!

[CLICK HERE](#)

You can read the full press release here:
[NOAA predicts above-normal 2022 Atlantic Hurricane Season | National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration](#)

Watch the recorded event here:
[NOAA Atlantic Hurricane Season Outlook - YouTube](#)



WIRELESS EMERGENCY ALERT (WEA) SYSTEM TEST Tuesday, June 1 at 2 p.m.


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NYC Emergency Management will be testing the Wireless Emergency Alert System (WEA) system

Wednesday, June 1 at 2 p.m.

Only smartphones with the Wireless Emergency Alert (WEA) test setting enabled will receive the test.

Enabled devices will receive an alert that includes a text-like message that reads "TEST" and is accompanied by a loud tone signal and vibration. No action is required. This is only a test.

Opt-in instructions: 

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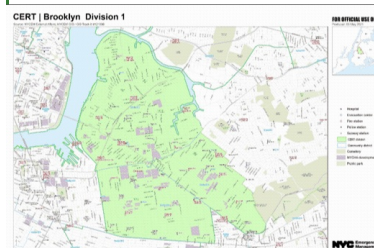
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How to enable on your Android or iOS device:

https://www.fcc.gov/sites/default/files/weatest_opt-in_instructions.pdf

The **NYC CERT Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)** provides guidance and outlines policies and procedures for you and your team to follow.



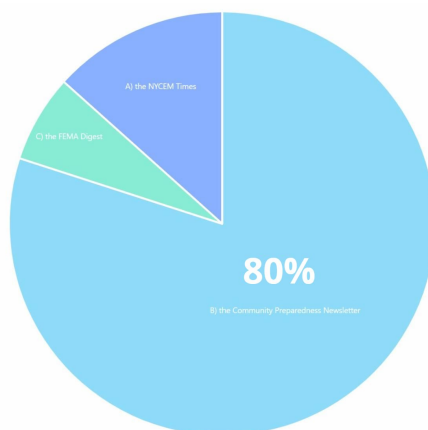
NYC CERT Division maps are available (pdf format) to support recruitment and preparedness planning in your community.

Brooklyn - Bronx - Manhattan - Queens - Staten Island

Quiz of the Week

Thank you to all who participated in last week's **Quiz of the Week**. The correct answer was: **B) the Community Preparedness Newsletter**

New NYC CERT graduates start to receive the Community Preparedness Newsletter providing them with more emergency preparedness information to share with and support their communities. They will also receive information about various free



View the **NYC CERT Event Calendar** to see upcoming training, meetings, and planned deployments.

After you participate, be sure to **Submit Your Volunteer Hours!**

For more questions on how to submit your service hours you can view the **Hours Submission FAQs**.

May Is National STOP THE BLEED[®] Month

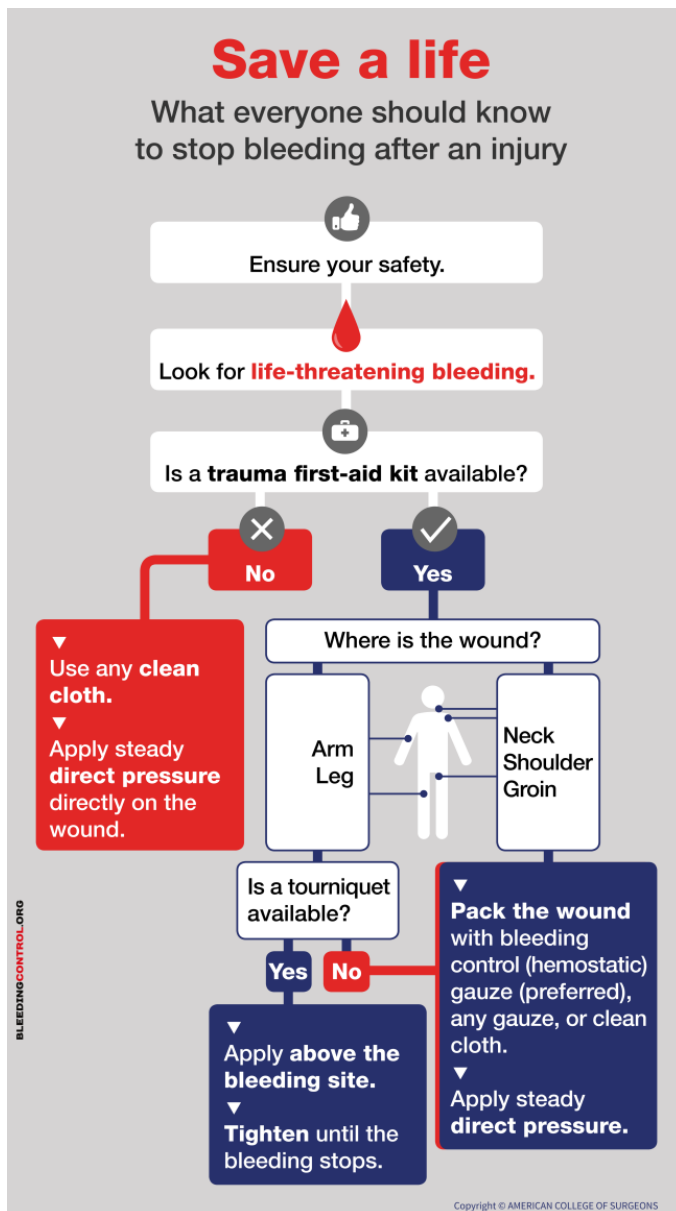


This is the fourth year of National STOP THE BLEED[®] Month. During this month, learn the basic skills necessary to control bleeding from accidents and injuries. Knowing

how to control bleeding from a serious injury is important knowledge for everyone to have!

The STOP THE BLEED[®] Interactive Course guides you through the three methods of bleeding control using video demonstrations, interactive learning, and spontaneous quizzes.

[Click Here for interactive Course](#)



Only CERT members in compliance with the vaccine mandate will continue receiving messaging from NYCEM CERT Program staff. Volunteers who did **not** submit appropriate documentation to meet the vaccine mandate, or request a reasonable accommodation through NYCEM, will be considered inactive until they submit following the below steps.

To submit vaccination records, please email an approved proof of vaccination to: CERTVaxVerification@oem.nyc.gov.

Please review the necessary steps [HERE](#)

READY NEW YORK

If your division is hosting or participating in an upcoming event, please complete the [Event Request form](#) to have your opportunity published through Eventbrite.com for members to register.

Your NYC CERT Ready New York Liaison can submit a [Ready New York Material Request](#) for upcoming events.



Get Notified with New York City's official source for information about emergency alerts

and important city services. Download the free [Notify NYC](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Memorial Day Events

Queens

[The Little Neck-Douglaston Memorial Day Parade Registration, Monday, May 30, 2022 at 7:00 AM](#)

CERT volunteers will assist with setting up - at the starting point, ending point, and along the route. They will set up tents, and chairs and assist with placing barricades. Most of the work will be done at the starting point.

Brooklyn

[155th Memorial Day Parade in Bay Ridge Registration, Monday, May 30, 2022 at 8:45 AM](#)

CERT volunteers will assist organizers with crowd and traffic management; directing and aiding parade participants to parade vehicles/floats, helping veterans on to floats at the parade assembly area and off of floats at the ceremony area of the Parade,



Community Mayor's for Children with Special Needs

CERT volunteers will be assisting the Community Mayors during the event with vehicle traffic and crowd management as well as other activities to ensure the safety of the children and families invited.

[Community Mayor's for Children with Special Needs Registration, Sat, Jun 4, 2022, at 9:15 AM | Eventbrite](#)



Knickerbocker Puerto Rican Day Parade

The Puerto Rican Day Parade has been monumental in the Bushwick Community for many years. The event is planned with support from local community partners and we want to give everyone the opportunity to join in.

[Knickerbocker Avenue Puerto Rican Day Parade Registration, Sun, Jun 12, 2022 at 11:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)



Buddy Check

As we close out a long year of volunteering to support your community and head into a new year with new challenges, please take some time to support one another. The best way to do that is by performing buddy checks.

What is a buddy check?

Taking the time to check on family and friends, especially those unable to leave their home for any reason. You might be surprised by the impact you'll have on those who you connect with.

[Report your Volunteer Hours](#)

Search for *Buddy Check* Event

NYC CERT Event Calendar



MENTOR PROGRAM

Are you interested in becoming a mentor to new NYC CERT members?

All Volunteer leadership should be encouraging active members to serve in a mentor role in order to support both their growth as leaders and provide new opportunities for newer members to become more engaged.

1. Complete the [NYC CERT Mentor Program form](#) to let us know if you'd like to be a mentor or mentee.
2. Complete the [Matching Questionnaire](#) to help pair the mentor to a mentee. Both forms must be filled out to participate in the program.

VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY

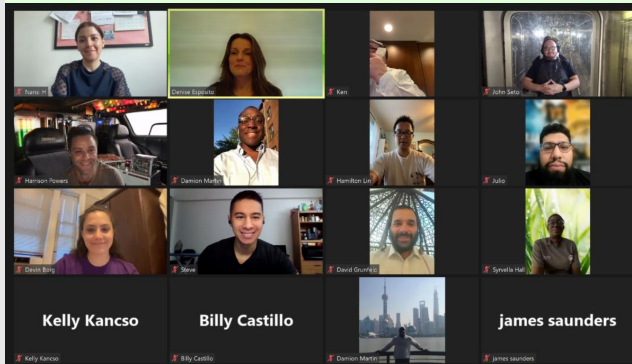
Fleet Week Tours



All NYC CERT members had the opportunity this week to attend a tour aboard the USS Bataan . Members were joined by a guest as they were guided through the entire ship and were even given access to some US Navy land and aviation vehicles. We hope all who participated had a great time!



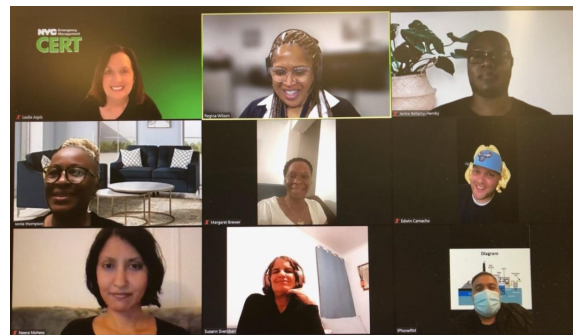
CERT Orientation



NYC CERT program staff hosted a virtual orientation session on Tuesday, May 24th for current applicants interested in signing up for Basic Training. During the session, applicants received an overview of the role of CERT members, the Basic training and the expected engagement they will have with their communities following graduation. Orientation helps interested applicants make an educated decision on whether CERT membership is something that they want to pursue. We hope to see some of these interested applicants in upcoming training cycles.

Leadership Development Class

The NYC CERT Leadership Development class was held on May 18th. This leadership class is designed to train new and future leaders within the NYC CERT program. Thank you to those who joined us and we look forward to you moving on the the step level!



Borough Check-Ins

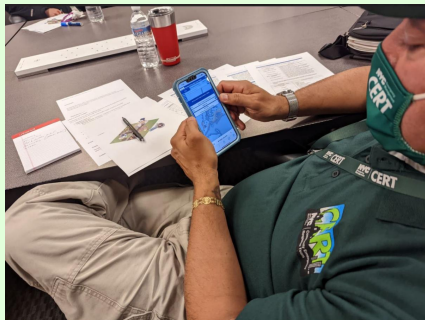


This past Tuesday, NYC CERT program Staff met virtually with the Manhattan Borough Coordinator and Deputy Borough Coordinator for our regularly scheduled check-in. Several items were discussed, including upcoming training plan for the rest of the year and upcoming leadership transition. All leadership in Queens, Manhattan, and Staten Island should be preparing to transition leadership roles. If current leaders have members within their division that they feel would make a great leader, please contact NYC CERT program staff to discuss.

Monthly Division Meetings

Bronx Division 5

This past Tuesday, May 24th, Bronx Division 5 gathered virtually for their monthly meeting. Several actionable items were discussed and planned including a few possible locations and partnerships for local tabling as well as a new communication method for all members. Great work everyone!



Brooklyn Division 1

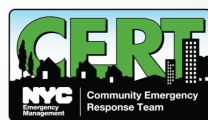
On Wednesday, May 25th, Brooklyn Division 1 members gathered at NYCEM for their monthly meeting. During this meeting program staff facilitated an in-person table top exercise. A simulation of CERT volunteer readiness and individual preparedness were covered. Participants did a great job!

Download NYC CERT Background for use during CERT meetings and training in a virtual environment (e.g. Microsoft Teams, Zoom, etc.)



TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Training Refresher: Urban Environment Series



Urban High-Rise Building Emergencies and Utility Emergencies:

Urban Environment I

Urban Environment I: High-Rise and Utilities

The Urban Environment I: High Rise Building & Utility Emergencies

Registration, Wed, Jun 8, 2022 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite



Transportation:

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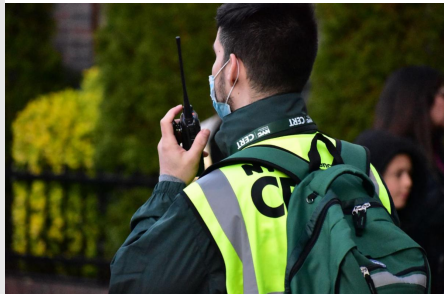
Registration, Wed, Jun 15, 2022 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite

READY NEW YORK

Ready New York Presenter Training

The Ready NY Presenter Training is an advanced training course designed for CERT members interested in becoming a Ready NY presenter.

[Ready NY Presenter Training Registration, Tue, Jun 14, 2022 at 6:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)



Point to Point Radio Training (In- Person)

Learning Objectives

- Local Point to Point Network
- UHF Radios 450 MHZ
- Radio Terminology
- Call Protocol and Proper Communication Procedures

Exercise

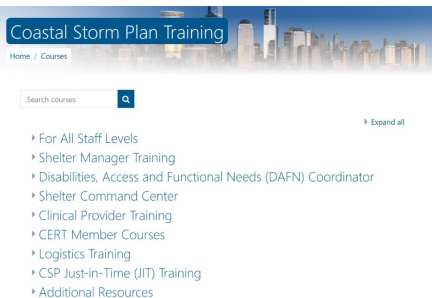
As part of the Point to Point radio training, there's a mandatory to be done outdoors.

Pre-requisite for members participating in the Point-to-Point training:

IS-242.b Effective Communications

Please send verification of completion to CERTtraining@oem.nyc.gov prior to the training date.

[Advanced Training: Point-to-Point Basic Radio Training Registration, Sun, Jun 26, 2022 at 9:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)



Coastal Storm Plan Training

As we are fast approaching the upcoming flood season, the Coastal Storm Plan Training Learning Management System is available to volunteers 24/7 to be done as either Just In Time training or self-paced training. This is the new training for shelter management and all Coastal Storm Plan staff levels.

If you have not created an account you can easily do so on the home page of the site. These credentials are independent of any other credentials you have created in the past for NYC CERT.

Register for Coastal Storm Training here: <https://csptraining.org>



Each of the FEMA Region II webinars presented in 2022 has been recorded and archived. If you wish to revisit a webinar you attended or would like to listen to one you missed, or even share with a friend or co-worker, you can find the links on the document linked here [2022 webinar recordings](#) which includes the webinar description and recording link for each webinar by category.

NYC CERT online platform
includes online courses to support volunteer growth.

Schedule a free Fire Safety training for your Division at **FDNY Smart Fire Safety**.

FEMA Region 2 (R2) Webinar Catalog includes all recorded webinars.

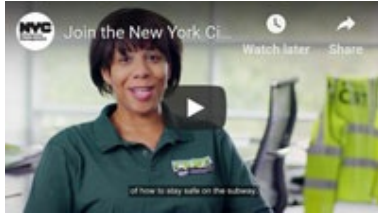


FDNY Smart offers **free** hands-only CPR classes through the FDNY Mobile CPR Program. The goal of these classes is to equip New Yorkers with the basic skills needed to take action in the event of a cardiac arrest emergency. To sign up for one of our free classes or to schedule a class in your community visit www.fdnysmart.org/cpr/.

COVID-19 Community Conversations: Mental Health, Equity and Resilience

DOHMH is offering free virtual training to community groups. There are two options, a **1-hour informational virtual**

THINGS TO KNOW



[NYCEM's Youtube page](#)

[NYC CERT recruitment video](#)

[2021 National Volunteer Week video](#)

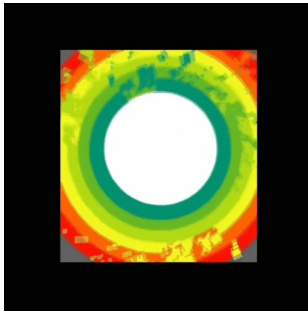


[Resolve to Be Ready Calendar](#)

Regular reminders in simple steps that can help you work preparedness into your busy schedule.



Listen to the **NEW** episodes of NYCEM's two podcasts, *Prep Talk* ([SoundCloud](#), [iTunes](#) & [Spreaker](#)) and *iPrepárate!* on [SoundCloud](#).



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