

Winter Weather Preparedness (1/28 Possible Nor'easter)

What to Do Before a Winter Storm or Extreme Cold Share these tips with your community

*Make sure your <u>household disaster plan</u> is ready and all members of your household are familiar with how to contact one another in an emergency.

*Do not forget the needs of pets and service animals when severe weather (including winter weather and extreme cold) strikes. **Learn more**

*Winterize your **Go Bag** by adding a blanket, warm socks and gloves.

*Your <u>emergency supply kit</u> should be fully-stocked to allow you to sustain yourself for up to seven days without power, or in the event you are unable to travel far from home. You may wish to include additional items such as extra blankets, additional warm clothing, and a battery-operated radio to monitor weather conditions during a storm.

Sign up for free emergency notifications from Notify NYC.

STAY CONNECTED: Twitter: <u>@NotifyNYC</u> (emergency notifications) <u>@nycemergencymgt</u> (emergency preparedness info)

Facebook: NYCemergencymanagement

For more information, visit the Plan for Hazards section of the NYC Emergency Management <u>website</u>.

Spread the Word:

Community and Faith-Based Groups Are Wanted for Strengthening Communities

New Deadline - Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2022

The Strengthening Communities program provides community based networks with training, resources and funding to develop and implement local emergency plans and establish recovery strategies in NYC communities. This program will identify strong local community organizer(s) and community emergency networks to receive funding, establish local emergency plans and will support the collective city-wide efforts.

If your network has not yet participated in the Strengthening Communities program we encourage you to apply. For the alumni, please spread the word to your contacts.

To apply please go to NYC City Record -> Procurement -> Filter -> Agency -> Emergency Management (OEM)

or

https://a856-cityrecord.nyc.gov/RequestDetail/20211223118
Pin # 01722COMM001

Application Due: 2/9/2022 4:00 PM

NYC Resources

End of Eviction Moratorium



You have rights!

It is illegal for someone to pressure or force you to leave your home without going through a formal court process. Your immigration status does not matter.

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We urge all New Yorkers in need of rent relief to apply for the Emergency

Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) through the <u>Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) web portal</u>. A pending application will provide temporary protection from eviction. Click here for <u>illegal lockouts resources</u> and here for <u>Right to Counsel resources</u>.

NYC Speaks

Speak Up About the Future of Our City

How should the new mayor and his team approach issues like schools, streets, safety? How should they approach challenges like COVID-19 and climate change? Fill out the NYC Speaks survey by January 28th to make your voice heard.

NYC Free Tax Prep Services

Claiming even one could return thousands of dollars to families and individuals in 2022.

NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) is excited to coordinate the City's Annual Tax Season Initiative. We're even more excited to collaborate with you to help eligible New Yorkers use NYC Free Tax Prep to file for free and keep their whole refund.

 We can deliver multilingual print brochures about NYC Free Tax Prep to your location(s) completely free of charge. To place an order, please complete our 2022 Tax Season Literature Request Form.

For more information about NYC Free Tax Prep services and eligibility for tax credits, visit nyc.gov/taxprep.

Bronx Apartment Building Fire

Resources

For more information and resources, visit https://on.nyc.gov/bronxfire or call 311 (212-639-9675 for Video Relay Service, or TTY: 212-504-4115).

Beginning Monday, January 24 through Friday, January 28, the service center will be providing referrals for case management to BronxWorks. If you prefer, you can reach BronxWorks directly, call 646-993-0801 and/or email bxfire2022@bronxworks.org.

On-site interpretation is available at the City service center. Languages include Spanish, French, Wolof, Soninke, Mandingo/Mandinka, and Pulaar. Flyers

- NYC service center information
- NYC service center information (Spanish)
- NYC service center information (French)
- NYC service center information (Mandingo/Mandinka)
- NYC service center information (Soninke)

CVR Bronx Park Fire Housing Support Services

If you are in need of housing support services as a result of the Bronx Park fire, call 917-727-1914 to schedule an appointment with a Housing Counselor. 2111

Southern Blvd Community Room Bronx, NY 10460

OFFICE HOURS: Monday – Friday 8:30AM – 4:30PM

NYC Relief Fund

Mayor Eric Adams and the Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City announced the launch of the <u>Bronx Fire Relief Fund</u> to support those affected by the recent apartment building fire in the Bronx. Those impacted by the fire on January 9th face a variety of associated costs. The Bronx Fire Relief Fund will provide them with financial relief as they recover and rebuild. *100% of donations will go directly towards supporting families impacted.*

Locally based organizations are also providing additional support to those in need, including the <u>Bronx Community Foundation</u>, and the <u>Gambian Youth</u> <u>Organization</u>.

NYS Homeowner Assistance Fund for COVID Relief is now Open



The New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NYS HAF) is a federally funded program dedicated to assisting homeowners who are at risk of default, foreclosure, or displacement as a result of a financial hardship caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Apply here.

Homeowner Scam Alert

Scammers are seeking to take advantage of potential applicants to the New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NYS HAF). Click here for tips to avoid NYS HAF and mortgage rescue-related scams, according to the New York State Attorney General (OAG).

Events







EXTREME WEATHER DISASTER PLAN

COMMUNITY MEETING

Thursday, January 27th at 6PM

How do you respond to extreme weather events?
Join our meeting to work through multiple scenarios and discuss needs specific to Northern Manhattan that will help keep our community safe.

QUESTIONS? | CONTACT US! | ANNIE@WEACT.ORG | 917-484-0168



How do you respond to extreme weather events? Join Harlem Emergency Network, WeAct, and the East Harlem COAD as they work through multiple scenarios and discuss needs specific to Northern Manhattan that will keep our community safe. Questions? Contact Annie@weact.org or call 917 484-0168.

Prep Talk

On the latest episode of "Prep Talk," Big City Emergency Managers (BCEM) members Mark Sloan, coordinator for Harris County (Texas) Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management and Mary Ellen Carroll, executive director for the San Francisco Department of Emergency Management, discuss the organization and the importance of establishing a network with other "big city" emergency managers. This collaboration allows for major cities and counties to be better positioned to prevent, prepare, mitigate, and recover from major incidents and catastrophic emergencies.

You can listen to the latest episode on <u>SoundCloud</u>, <u>Apple Podcasts</u>, and <u>Spreaker</u>.

Federal Partner Faith-Based Security and Preparedness Resources

- Resources, including grant opportunities, from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) https://www.cisa.gov/faith-based-organizations-houses-worship
- FEMA Houses of Worship Emergency Operations Guide https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-07/developing-eops-for-houses-of-worship.pdf
- DHS Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships
 https://www.dhs.gov/faith
 Contact them at Partnerships@fema.dhs.gov

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Preparedness - https://youtu.be/L250wy3o6r4