

**NYC CITIZEN CORPS COUNCIL
GET PREPARED. GET INVOLVED.**

The **NYC Citizen Corps Council** is part of the national Citizen Corps initiative to bring together local leaders from community organizations, government, the private sector, and volunteer programs. The Council promotes grassroots emergency preparedness and volunteerism, enabling New Yorkers to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.

The Council's outreach initiatives are designed to support NYC organizations and target the needs of NYC's most vulnerable populations. In addition, the Council supports special projects throughout the year including Partners in Preparedness and National Preparedness Month.

In 2011, the Council was awarded the FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Award for Outstanding Local Citizen Corps Initiative.

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GET INVOLVED:

NYC Citizen Corps Council (For Nonprofits and Community Organizations)

The Council acts as a forum for local leaders from nonprofits, community organizations, government, the private sector, and volunteer programs to discuss current emergency preparedness issues and collaborate on innovative emergency preparedness initiatives.

Immigrant Task Force Speaker Series (For Nonprofits and Community Organizations)

Educational opportunity for organizations who work with immigrants. The series is especially for nonprofits whose mission is not focused on disasters, but who are interested in preparing for the unexpected role they may play in disaster preparedness, response, and recovery. The series provides valuable, interesting, and engaging information for organizations that work with immigrants. This forum enables organizations to stay connected, get involved, and contribute their expertise to expand New York City's immigrant disaster human services network.

Special Needs Symposium

Held annually to raise awareness on the importance of emergency preparedness for people with special needs. The symposiums are designed to bring together the special needs community, addressing specific individual planning challenges and formulating strategies to overcome these challenges. At the end of each symposium, Lessons Learned, highlighting the concepts, challenges, and strategies discussed, is published and distributed nationally.

Disaster Volunteer Conference (For All New Yorkers)

Held annually to celebrate the work and support the educational needs of the NYC disaster volunteer community. Now in its sixth year, the conference typically brings together leaders from the volunteer, faith-based, government, immigrant, special needs, and academic communities to discuss a topic impacting the disaster volunteer community.

Volunteer Development Program (For All New Yorkers)

Trained volunteers who understand how to work together increases our community resiliency. The NYC Citizen Corps Council, through organizational partnerships, continues to respond to this need by offering supplemental workshops throughout the year to the NYC disaster volunteer community. This program is designed to increase the capacity of the volunteer community, allow the volunteer community to network, and showcase the expertise of NYC Citizen Corps Council member organizations.

Volunteer Resource Guide (For All New Yorkers)

Get involved and help others respond to and recover from emergencies. This resource offers recommendations on where to volunteer in New York City.

GET INFORMED:

NYC Citizen Corps Council News (For Nonprofits and Community Organizations)

Weekly comprehensive emergency preparedness publication to inform local leaders from nonprofits, community organizations, government, the private sector, and volunteer programs about NYC Citizen Corps Council initiatives, member initiatives, and emergency preparedness and volunteer program news and resources. It is one of the only resources of its kind. More than 300 organizational representatives, spanning beyond New York City to 11 states, territories, and districts receive this publication.

Communications Network (For All New Yorkers)

Monthly emergency preparedness publication for all New Yorkers. Provides general updates on emergency preparedness news, including information about NYC Citizen Corps Council initiatives (events, workshops, resources, and volunteer opportunities). The publication is also used to provide emergency updates.