

NYC Citizen Corps Council's Immigrant Task Force Speaker Series

Is your organization ready to help meet your community's needs after a disaster? Experience has shown that immigrants and those with limited English can be at greater risk during emergencies. Social and cultural isolation and reduced access to information on public safety and forms of assistance can lead to unnecessary distress.

March 27, 2012 (3:30 PM) – Successful Communication During a Disaster

Communicating effectively—with clients, staff, volunteers, partners, and other nonprofit and community organizations—is a vital part of a community organization's day-to-day work. It becomes even more important when emergencies happen.

Do you have a communication plan with partner organizations, government entities, constituents, and employees if a disaster should strike your community? Join us for a training opportunity on communicating effectively during a disaster.

This workshop, open to representatives from nonprofit and community organizations, is designed to improve your communication networks. Through an interactive computer simulator, participants will navigate an emergency scenario in "real-time", leading them into a discussion and brainstorming session about the challenges that the emergency could bring. The goal is to gain skills to develop effective channels for sharing vital information and services during the sensitive periods leading up to, during, and recovering from a disaster.

Time and Location: 3:30 – 5 PM at the NYC Office of Emergency Management's Warehouse (930 Flushing Ave, Brooklyn). There will be a free shuttle between the NYC Office of Emergency Management's Headquarters (165 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn) and Warehouse. The shuttle will depart at 3 PM.

Capacity: There is a class maximum of 15 people.

For additional information or to register, contact citizencorps@oem.nyc.gov.

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