



Volunteer Development Program

Trained volunteers that understand how to work together increases our community resiliency. The best time to build this capacity is now.

In 2011, the NYC Citizen Corps Council continues to respond to this need and is sponsoring the **Volunteer Development Program** throughout the year.

As we wrap up the 2011 training calendar, the Council continues to promote quality workshops designed to:

- Increase the capacity of NYC disaster volunteers.
- Allow volunteers from NYC Citizen Corps Council organizations to network with each other, and
- Showcase trainings conducted by NYC Citizen Corps Council organizations.

We are looking to have you and other members of the volunteer community represented at these workshops. Please forward this information to your volunteer contacts.

December 8 Locating Loved Ones After a Disaster

Natural disaster and armed conflict leave millions of people around the globe in urgent need of humanitarian assistance every year. Adding to the physical losses, the confusion and chaos surrounding natural disasters and wars often separates families when they need each other most. Tragically, when families and loved ones are separated by disaster or war, their suffering is greater.

Sponsored by the NYC Citizen Corps Council, this workshop is designed to provide NYC volunteers with an overview of the challenges faced in locating loved ones after a disaster followed by an in-depth look at an available global resource designed to facilitate the search of loved ones. Justin Land from the NYC Office of Emergency Management will discuss communication challenges experienced in the aftermath of foreign and domestic emergencies. Jennifer Baker and Bridgette Ames from the American Red Cross in Greater New York will then present on the role the American Red Cross plays in connecting family members and close friends in the aftermath of international wars and disasters. The Red Cross' role in connecting families in the wake of a national disaster will also be discussed. Participants will get a behind the scenes look at how the worldwide network of International Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies conducts international traces for missing family members.

The workshop will be held on Thursday, December 8 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at the NYC Office of Emergency Management (165 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn).

To register, email Caela Day at citizencorps@oem.nyc.gov your name, email address, phone number, volunteer organization affiliation, and the title and date of the training you are interested in registering for. Space is limited.

Upcoming Volunteer Development Program Workshops

[December 8 - Locating Loved Ones After a Disaster](#)

[December 12 - Leading and Managing for Emergency Support Teams](#)

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December 12

Leading and Managing for Emergency Support Teams

Sponsored by the NYC Citizen Corps Council and facilitated by the World Cares Center, this workshop is designed to provide NYC volunteers with a history of spontaneous volunteerism and the role spontaneous community volunteers play in responding to disasters today. Participants will acquire knowledge about procedures and models used in spontaneous community volunteer management. This training draws from numerous resources on issues of emergency response and community engagement, including publications, experience from the field and academic research.

The workshop will be held on Monday, December 12 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at the NYC Office of Emergency Management (165 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn).

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For more information about the World Cares Center, visit www.worldcares.org.

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