**FEMA’s Higher Education Program Bits and Pieces**

**National Emergency Training Center, Emmitsburg, MD**

**28 February 2014**

**Higher Education Program News:**

* **16th Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium, June 2-5, 2014.**

The 16th Emergency Management Higher Education Symposium is scheduled for June 2-5, 2014. Plenary, breakout sessions and workshops are once again on the schedule. More symposium information will be posted on the Higher Education website in the next few months including call for papers and presentations and registration information. <https://training.fema.gov/emiweb/edu/>

Questions or concerns about the symposium should be sent to [Barbara.Johnson3@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:Barbara.Johnson3@fema.dhs.gov).

* **Call for Abstracts FEMA Hi Ed Symposium Theory and Research Workshop**

Greetings! Hope this email finds your semester progressing smoothly!

I wanted to take a quick moment to remind you of the opportunity to submit an abstract for potential inclusion in the first Emergency Management Theory and Research Workshop that will be held Monday, June 2, 2014 at the EMI-NETC campus in Emmitsburg, MD the day before the FEMA Higher Education Symposium begins.

Please let your faculty, students, and other parties who may be interested know that there is still time to submit! THE DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION IS April 7, 2014. You can submit your abstract for consideration at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/EMTandRWorkshop>

Hope to see you at the Workshop and Symposium to follow!

Best,

Jessica Jensen

* **The Higher Education Program Webinar Series**

Join the Higher Education Program and Mr. Corey Coleman, FEMA Chief Human Capital Officer, for a webinar on recruiting activities by FEMA. Mr. Coleman and his staff will discuss FEMA locations, authorities available to hire students and recent graduates, the Student Volunteer Program, upcoming hiring needs and tips for the Federal hiring process.

The webinar will be held on Thursday, March 27, 2014 from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm EST. Registration will be open next week.

Direct questions to Dr. Houston Polson, Director, Emergency Management Higher Education Program at [Houston.polson@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:Houston.polson@fema.dhs.gov) or call 301-447-1262.

**Emergency Management/Homeland Security News:**

* **Disaster Information Management Research Center, February 21, 2014**

**Webinar Title**: Disaster Preparedness Planning for Family Caregivers

**Date**: Wednesday, April 16, 2014

**Time**: 2:00-3:30 PM EST

Toll Free Number: 888-325-0345

Participant passcode: 813-1392

For security reasons, the passcode will be required to join the conference.

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Live Meeting™ Net Conference Access Information for Participants

URL: <https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join/>

Conference number: PW4462938

Audience passcode: 8131392

Participants can join the event directly at: <https://www.mymeetings.com/nc/join.php?i=PW4462938&p=8131392&t=c>

**Objective**: Co-sponsored by the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) and Administration for Community Living (ACL), this webinar will provide information to assist family caregivers in planning for emergencies and disasters.  Family caregivers have a responsibility of caring for loved ones with health or functional needs, making it important for them to develop a personal preparedness plan as well as a plan for individuals they support.  Examples include family caregivers who are responsible for the care of children with Developmental Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorders, Older Americans who are medically fragile, and persons who have dementia or Alzheimer’s disease.  Information provided in this webinar will highlight the unique needs of disaster preparedness planning for these particularly vulnerable populations and considerations for developing and maintaining an emergency plan for both the caregiver and their loved one.

A brief **Introduction to Preparedness Planning for Family Caregivers** will be provided by Dr. Cheryl Levine, At-Risk Team Lead, Division for At-Risk Individuals, Behavioral Health, and Community Resilience (ABC), ASPR and Greg Link, Aging Services Program Specialist/Team-Lead, Office of Supportive and Caregiver Services, ACL.

**Presentations:**

**Lessons Learned from Hurricane Sandy: Challenges of Sheltering in Place for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities or Special Health Care Needs including Autism**, Peg Kinsell, Director of Public Policy, Statewide Parent Advocacy Network, New Jersey

**Supporting Older Americans who are Medically Fragile**, Della Sanchez, LGSW, AL Cares Coordinator, Support for Caregivers, SARPC/Area Agency on Aging, Mobile, Alabama

**Lessons Learned from 9/11, Katrina, and Sandy for Persons with Dementia and Alzheimer’s Disease**, Jed Levine, Executive Vice President, Director of Programs and Services, Alzheimer’s Association, New York City Chapter

Facilitated discussion with the panelists will be led by Iris Terashima, developer and trainer for the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center: Natural Disaster Awareness for Caregivers of Senior Citizens.

**The next installment of the National Mass Care Strategy Webinar Series** titled “National Mass Care Exercise: Helping Build State Capability” is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4th at 3pm. Speakers will include Jono Anzalone- American Red Cross, Sue Bush- State of Washington, Brian Head- Sysco Corporation, Michael Whitehead- State of Florida. The webinar will focus on the integration of local, state, nongovernmental organizations and private sector as they participate in national mass care exercises and apply lessons learned in life sustaining disaster response.

The National Mass Care Strategy website, [www.nationalmasscarestrategy.org](http://www.nationalmasscarestrategy.org), is a great source of current information about mass care activities, best practices and training.

For your own subscription, sign up at <http://disasterinfo.nlm.nih.gov/dimrc/dimrclistserv.html>

* **Fire, EMS and Safety Law Newsletter – Larry Bennett, Esq**

**Chapter 3 – Homeland Security**

**NJ: FEDERAL JUDGE DISMISSES LAWSUIT BY MUSLIMS IN NJ ABOUT NYPD SURVEILLANCE – LACKED STANDING TO SUE SINCE NO INJURY IN FACT - CONFIDENTIAL PROGRAM UNTIL LEAKED BY PRESS, SEEKING “BUDDING TERRORIST CONSPIRACIES”**

[**http://aerospace.ceas.uc.edu/content/dam/aero/docs/fire/March%202014.pdf**](http://aerospace.ceas.uc.edu/content/dam/aero/docs/fire/March%202014.pdf)

* **Free Emergency Exercise Handbook for Transportation and Transit Agencies**

*Mineta Transportation Institute’s new manual includes templates, exercises, policies, and more*

**San Jose, Calif., February 26, 2014** – Transportation and transit agency emergency managers now have access to a free research report and training manual for emergency exercise development and implementation. The [Mineta Transportation Institute](http://transweb.sjsu.edu) (MTI) publication, [*Exercise Handbook: What Transportation Security and Emergency Preparedness Leaders Need to Know to Improve Emergency Preparedness*](http://transweb.sjsu.edu/project/1103.html) will help agencies to develop effective and cost-efficient exercises that comply with Department of Homeland Security (DHS) policy. The publications are available for no-cost, no-registration download at http://transweb.sjsu.edu/project/1103.html. Authors are Frances Edwards, PhD, CEM and Daniel Goodrich, MPA, CEM, MEP.

“Transit and transportation are critical infrastructure because all other emergency response depends on having functional roads and transportation assets available to them,” said Dr. Edwards. “The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has provided extensive general guidance on how to develop training and exercise programs for public entities, especially for first responders. But little material has focused on transportation specifically. How can emergency response services be delivered without a functioning transportation sector? This handbook addresses those issues.”

**It includes detailed lessons**

The handbook includes specific information about federal exercise requirements, including the evolution of federal emergency management policy that affects exercise design requirements in the transportation environment. It is focused on various types of exercises approved by the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) of the DHS, with examples of successful exercise designs, scenarios, and delivery strategies, along with templates for the required documentation.

Checklists are included for each type of exercise, such as workshops, drills, tabletops, full-scale exercises, and more. The roles of the exercise staff are explained, including director, controller, facilitator, and evaluator. Necessary elements are described, such as “hot wash” meetings, After Action Reviews, plans for improvement, and participant feedback.

Actual incidents are used as reference points to help transportation and transit personnel develop the most effective exercises to test plans and evaluate personnel training.

**The handbook delivers special value for smaller agencies**

When transportation agency personnel were interviewed for another MTI project in 2009-10, they said they had little help in developing a thorough and effective training and exercise program specifically for people in their roles. This handbook gives them guidance materials, templates, and scenarios specific to transit, transportation, and multi-modal port training and exercises.

The exercise handbook is valuable for all transit and transportation agencies, but it will be especially valuable for those agencies in smaller communities without resources for fulltime, professionally trained emergency managers. Most often that role falls to a manager in the maintenance division who is an engineer or safety trainer.

Dr. Edwards said, “While no handbook can substitute for professional training, it is clear that personnel assigned to provide the training and exercises often have no resources immediately available to create a successful training and exercise cycle. This handbook provides a blueprint to achieve that goal.”

**ABOUT THE MINETA TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE (MTI):**

MTI conducts research, education, and information transfer programs focusing on surface transportation policy and management issues, especially related to transit. MTI was established by Congress in 1991 as part of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act and won national re-designation competitions in 2002, 2006 and 2011. The Institute is funded by Congress through the US DOT Research and Innovative Technology Administration, by the California Legislature through Caltrans, and public and private grants. In 2006 the US Department of Homeland Security selected MTI as a National Transportation Security Center of Excellence. The internationally respected members of the MTI Board of Trustees represent all major surface transportation modes. MTI is the lead institute for the Mineta National Transit Research Consortium, an affiliation of nine university transportation research centers. MTI is affiliated with San Jose (CA) State University’s College of Business. Visit [transweb.sjsu.edu](http://transweb.sjsu.edu)

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* **Global Risk Forum GRF Davos**

Are you involved, or working in the field of Risk and Disaster Management?

The [Global Risk Forum GRF Davos](http://visitor.benchmarkemail.com/c/l?u=33687F0&e=4362B0&c=A1E4&t=0&l=2C8D607&email=eKt4fL4sxoYbvATP1pEB9oNCris8RIR7E2AVIpPDx9g%3D) invites you to submit an abstract for oral presentation, poster presentation, a session or a workshop on one of the [conference topics](http://visitor.benchmarkemail.com/c/l?u=33687F1&e=4362B0&c=A1E4&t=0&l=2C8D607&email=eKt4fL4sxoYbvATP1pEB9oNCris8RIR7E2AVIpPDx9g%3D) (see below).

**Submit your** [**abstract here**](http://visitor.benchmarkemail.com/c/l?u=33687F2&e=4362B0&c=A1E4&t=0&l=2C8D607&email=eKt4fL4sxoYbvATP1pEB9oNCris8RIR7E2AVIpPDx9g%3D) or copy and paste this URL into your web-browser:  [https://www.conftool.pro/idrc2014/register.php](http://visitor.benchmarkemail.com/c/l?u=33687F2&e=4362B0&c=A1E4&t=0&l=2C8D607&email=eKt4fL4sxoYbvATP1pEB9oNCris8RIR7E2AVIpPDx9g%3D) **by this Friday, 28th February 2014**.

**Conference topics** (also see  [http://idrc.info/programme/conference-topics/](http://visitor.benchmarkemail.com/c/l?u=33687F1&e=4362B0&c=A1E4&t=0&l=2C8D607&email=eKt4fL4sxoYbvATP1pEB9oNCris8RIR7E2AVIpPDx9g%3D)):

* Disaster Preparedness & Response
* Country Risk Management
* Environmental & Ecological Risks
* Thinking the Unthinkable
* Technical Risks
* Urban Risks / Megacities
* Societal / Political Risks
* Resilience & Vulnerability
* Health Impacts & Medical Response
* Economics of Disasters
* Business Continuity
* Financial Tools for Risk Management
* Communication & Outreach in DRR
* Education, Research & Capacity Building

The 5th International Disaster and Risk Conference IDRC Davos 2014 is organised in close cooperation with the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) and will be held under the theme "**Integrative Risk Management - The role of science, technology & practice**" from 24 - 28 August 2014 in Davos, Switzerland.

More information is available at [http://idrc.info](http://visitor.benchmarkemail.com/c/l?u=33687F3&e=4362B0&c=A1E4&t=0&l=2C8D607&email=eKt4fL4sxoYbvATP1pEB9oNCris8RIR7E2AVIpPDx9g%3D).

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* **IAEM Dispatch, February 27, 2014**

**IAEM-CANADA NEWS**

**Report published profiling emergency management profession in Canada** **IAEM**   
In July 2013, IAEM-Canada sponsored an original Canada-wide research project aimed at learning more about the people who comprise the field of emergency management in Canada. The project was a demographic survey of Canadian emergency management personnel, and the results have helped to develop a benchmark profile of the EM profession in Canada. The report is now available at [The Face of the Profession: Contributing to a Benchmark Profile of the Emergency Management Profession in Canada](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2026&&&http://www.iaem.com/documents/Benchmark-Profile-of-EM-in-Canada-2014.pdf). If you have any questions about the survey, contact the [researcher](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2027&&&mailto:emsurvey.canada@gmail.com).

**IAEM-USA NEWS**

**Deadline extended — Local and Tribal Government Emergency Managers are urgently requested to respond to EMPG Survey** **IAEM**   
Due to the requests received from some IAEM-USA Regional Presidents and from states that have been dealing with severe weather, IAEM is extending the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Survey to the close of business, Mar. 4. Local government and tribal government emergency management office personnel are asked to [take the survey](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2031&&&https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/IAEMEMPGSurvey2014) today and help show Congress how effective EMPG is for your communities.Additional information, including a copy of the survey for informational purposes to assist in gathering information, is available on the [IAEM-USA website under Government Affairs news](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2032&&&http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=groups/us-committees/government-affairs&lvl=2#EMPG_Survey_2014). Many people who have started the survey have stopped when reaching the question relating to the annual budget of their emergency management department and the amount of their Emergency Management Performance Grant. Be prepared with this data prior to beginning the survey.

**President's Budget for FY 2015 to be released Mar. 4** **IAEM**   
The President's Budget Proposal for FY 2015 will be released on Mar. 4. It has been unclear how much of the material will be released. The Office of Management and Budget has confirmed that the budget Appendix that is typically more than 1300 pages and the agency budgets in brief will be released on Mar. 4. The much more detailed agency budget justifications (called CJs) will be released electronically on Mar. 7. A memo will be posted on key items in the budget for emergency managers on the [IAEM-USA website on the Government Affairs page](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2040&&&http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=groups/us-committees/government-affairs&lvl=2).

**Proposed Rule establishes new emergency preparedness requirements — comments requested until Mar. 31** **IAEM**   
In Dec. 2013, the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) published the proposed rule [*Emergency Preparedness Requirements for Medicare and Medicaid Participating Providers and Suppliers*](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2043&&&http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-12-27/pdf/2013-30724.pdf). This proposed rule would revise or establish emergency preparedness requirements for 17 provider and supplier types (including hospitals, long-term care facilities, end stage renal disease facilities, etc.) The deadline for comment has been extended to Mar. 31.

**Deadline extended for FEMA Youth Preparedness Council applications** **IAEM**   
FEMA is looking for youth leaders who are dedicated to public service, who are making a difference in their communities, and who want to expand their impact as national advocates for youth disaster preparedness. Any individual between the ages of 12 and 17 who is engaged in individual and community preparedness, or who has experienced disaster that has motivated him or her to make a positive difference in his or her community may apply to serve on the Youth Preparedness Council. The deadline has been extended to Mar. 3, 11:59 p.m. EST. Learn more and download the application materials on the [Ready.gov website](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2049&&&http://www.ready.gov/youth-preparedness-council).

**Tennessee Emergency Management Agency (TEMA) director retires** **IAEM**   
Tennessee Gov. Bill Haslam announced the retirement of TEMA Director Jim Bassham effective Apr. 7, 2014. Bassham led TEMA through the response to hurricanes Katrina, Rita and Gustav; devastating tornadoes that ripped through Tennessee in 2006 and 2008; the Nashville floods in 2010; tornadoes through the southeastern part of the state in 2011; and the flooding of the Mississippi River in West Tennessee in May 2011. Dept. of Safety and Homeland Security Assistant Commissioner David Purkey will serve as the interim TEMA director through June 30. A permanent director will be named at a later date.

[**Obama budget would change US wildfire fighting formula**](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2053&&&http://multibriefs.com/ViewLink.php?i=530e969807cc9)   
**The Washington Post**   
With the cost of wildfire suppression rising, President Barack Obama told governors of some of the hardest hit states he will ask Congress to change the way the federal government pays for disaster response to the most severe fires. At a meeting at the White House, Obama told governors his proposed budget will include a measure to allow the Departments of Interior and Agriculture to tap a special disaster relief account when the costs of fighting wildfires exceeds their annual budgets.

**CEM® UPDATE**

**Online application program launched for recertification applicants** **IAEM**   
On Feb. 19, IAEM launched the CEM®/AEM℠ online recertification application. Current CEMs and AEMs should be aware that all future recertification applications should be submitted using the online application. The recertification application can be accessed from the [IAEM website](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2060&&&http://www.iaem.com/page.cfm?p=certification/application/recertification&lvl=2). Also available is a helpful [user guide](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2061&&&http://www.iaem.com/documents/IAEM-User-Guide-Online-CEM-Recertification-Application-19Feb2014.pdf) with step-by-step instructions for using the online system. If you have any questions or experience any technical difficulties, please contact CEM Administrator, [Kate McClimans](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2062&&&mailto:KMcClimans@iaem.com).

**Application review completed by the North American Application Review Commission** **IAEM**   
The North American Application Review Commission met Feb. 19-22, 2014, at IAEM Headquarters, in Falls Church, VA. Twenty commissioners worked long hours to review 273 applications. Candidates will receive their notification letters on or around Mar. 17, 2014. IAEM would like to thank all the commissioners for volunteering their time and energy to support the certification program.

**EM RESOURCES**

**Report outlines standards priorities identified by emergency response and preparedness practitioners** **IAEM**   
On Feb. 6, 2014, a roundtable on "InterAgency Board for Equipment Standardization and Interoperability (IAB) First Responder Standards Needs" was held. This half-day meeting focused on discussing standards priorities identified by emergency response and preparedness practitioners from law enforcement, fire, and other public safety agencies. The standards priorities were identified by the IAB, which is a collaborative panel of emergency preparedness and response practitio­ners, federal employees, and subject matter experts representing a wide array of technical expertise. Each year, the IAB develops a list of standards that do not currently exist but are needed for the responder community. Some of the eight priorities listed include: standardized equipment training program format, standard test method for respirator fit test equipment, and standard for robot operator self-evaluation and training program. The report also provides next steps for each priority. The meeting report is available on the [HDSSC website](http://strongmail1.multiview.com:80/track?type=click&eas=1&mailingid=2087809&messageid=2087809&databaseid=Mailing.DS87809.2087809.71854&serial=17118609&emailid=barbara.johnson3@fema.dhs.gov&userid=39051324&targetid=&fl=&extra=MultivariateId=&&&2074&&&http://publicaa.ansi.org/sites/apdl/PUBHDSSC/All%20HDSSC%20Public%20Documents/ANSI-HSSP%20Final%20Deliverables/Roundtable%20on%20IAB%20Standards%20Needs%20Final%20Report.pdf).

**This network-in-a-backpack will connect people in disaster areas** **Gizmodo**   
This backpack may not look like much, but it has impressive hidden depths: it contains all the kit you need to establish an ad hoc mobile network in just ten minutes—perfect for those working in disaster areas. Put together by Vodafone, the Instant Network Mini weighs 24 pounds and is small enough to be carried as hand luggage on commercial flights. It can provide a 2G GSM network which handles up to five concurrent calls — or thousands of text messages — within a radius of 330 feet.

**NEW INSIGHTS**

**Who owns weather, the feds or the states?** **Government Executive**   
Who is ultimately responsible for disaster relief? For the governors tasked with holding their states together amid natural disasters, the debate over emergency response is not a partisan struggle — it's about striking the right balance between federal and local responsibility.

**Drones and social media lie detectors — more tech advances in support of emergency management** **Emergency Management**   
Take a step back in time and ask: how has technology changed emergency management? From equipment used, to coordinating activities, to gathering information, to managing costs, to communicating with the public — technology has changed just about every aspect of emergency management and crisis communication. And it continues. New innovations pop up constantly, and some of them, such as mobile internet devices and wearable connectivity promise to further revolutionize what we do.

**AROUND THE WORLD**

**Fukushima radiation could reach Pacific coast by April** **San Francisco Chronicle**   
Radiation from the Fukushima nuclear disaster has not yet reached ocean waters along the Pacific coast, but low levels of radioactive cesium from the stricken Japanese power plant could arrive by April, scientists reported. The report came even as some Internet sites continue claiming that dangerously radioactive ocean water from Fukushima is showing up along California beaches — reports that have been denied by health officials and scientists since they first surfaced more than a month ago.

**Harsh weather tests optimism over US economy** **Reuters**   
Unusually cold weather will take a bite out of U.S. economic growth this quarter, but a rebound seems likely on the horizon and expectations for stronger growth this year have not changed. Economists estimate that freezing temperatures and the ice and snow storms that have blanketed much of the nation will shave as much as half a percentage point from gross domestic product in the first quarter.

**UN says slow pace of rebuilding 'natural' after disaster** **The Wall Street Journal**   
The United Nations appealed for understanding Friday on the seemingly slow pace of reconstruction in parts of the Philippines devastated by Typhoon Haiyan last November. "People are saying it is taking too long, but it is natural," Luiza Carvalho, resident coordinator of the United Nations in the Philippines told reporters, adding that even well-funded disaster responses take years to complete.

**Indonesia's volcanic eruptions expose need to prepare for disasters** **The Guardian**   
As Indonesia deals with the aftermath of two volcanic eruptions, experts question whether the country is adequately prepared to cope with similar events from the dozens of volcanoes that dot the archipelago. At least 34 people have been killed in eruptions this month.

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* **Lucien G. Canton, CEM – Emergency Management Solutions, February 2014**
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* Monthly Video: Pyroclastic Flow followed by series of Tornados, Sinabung Volcano
* Volcanos: The Ultimate Cascading Event
* Professional Development: Free webinar – Great Leadership Creates Great Workplaces featuring Jim Kouzes
* Blog Highlights:
  + Over-commitment to process leads to death in DC
  + Resistance to Change: A Tail form the dog park
* Life Balance – Continuous improvement – it’s the way to live the good life
* From the Bookshelf – Karakatoa: The Day the World Exploded: August 27, 1883
* **Naval Postgraduate School - Greta E. Marlatt; email:** [gmarlatt@nps.edu/](mailto:gmarlatt@nps.edu/)**;**

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* The Education Sciences Reform Act. R43398
* Homelessness: Targeted Federal Programs and Recent Legislation. RL30442
* The Help America Vote Act and Election Administration: Overview and Issues. RS20898
* Coast Guard Polar Icebreaker Modernization: Background and Issues for Congress. RL34391
* The President’s Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP): Issues for Congress. RL34736
* Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA): A Summary of the Act and Its Major Requirements. RL31243

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  + Preparedness Revisited: W(h)ither PPD-8? <http://www.hsaj.org/?article=10.1.2>
  + Hybrid Targeted Violence: Challenging Conventional 'Active Shooter' Response Strategies <http://www.hsaj.org/?article=10.1.3>
  + Towards a Unified Homeland Security Strategy: An Asset Vulnerability Model <http://www.hsaj.org/?article=10.1.1>

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* *CIP Report,* February 2014, v. 12, no. 8 <http://cip.gmu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2013/06/February-2014_Commercial-Facilities.pdf>
  + Commercial Facilities

**Congressional Budget Office (CBO)**

* The Effects of a Minimum-Wage Increase on Employment and Family Income <http://www.cbo.gov/publication/44995>
* Estimated Impact of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act on Employment and Economic Output in 2013 <http://www.cbo.gov/publication/45122>
* Making Choices About Federal Spending and Taxes <http://www.cbo.gov/publication/45120>
* Unauthorized Appropriations and Expiring Authorizations <http://www.cbo.gov/publication/45121>

**Feinstein International Center**

* Experiences of National Governments in Expanding Their Role in Humanitarian Preparedness and Response <http://fic.tufts.edu/assets/TUFTS_13118_Humanitarian_response_V3print.pdf>

**Heritage Foundation**

* No Retreat on Flood Insurance Reform <http://thf_media.s3.amazonaws.com/2014/pdf/IB4153.pdf>

**Pew Research Internet Project**

* Mapping Twitter Topic Networks: From Polarized Crowds to Community Clusters <http://www.pewinternet.org/2014/02/20/mapping-twitter-topic-networks-from-polarized-crowds-to-community-clusters/>

**Rand**

* Elements of Success: How Type of Secondary Education Credential Helps Predict Enlistee Attrition  <http://www.rand.org/pubs/research_reports/RR374.html>
* Strengthening Coastal Planning: How Coastal Regions Could Benefit from Louisiana's Planning and Analysis Framework   <http://www.rand.org/pubs/research_reports/RR437.html>

**Transportation Research Board**

* Climate Change, Extreme Weather Events, and the Highway System: Practitioner’s Guide and Research Report <http://onlinepubs.trb.org/onlinepubs/nchrp/nchrp_rpt_750v2.pdf>
* **New York Citizen Corps Weekly News, February 27, 2014**

Yesterday, the NYC Citizen Corps hosted its [2014 Special Needs Symposium](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAoSC0HkrVwIlT2mm5hW0H2io828PHapV_O3JTUIHDBhrQqyvztUg4LB7A0OQGcJrX4KNMddp1zPBwgUiLPwCaCr68ICPxWTRxTpkbS25z4yDZyz0xFliBR9zL4vVKERpJg2_woEGwn_D0ig7i0XVHLpEudvvAKW0FYj1mPFTqOZTKxwZESkUmbJkYtR4gwJUO-iPZ1BHrOmy5US45vB-g8h7tlnfPDOsFw==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==). We had an informative and engaging panel discussion on leveraging community partnerships and emergency preparedness in regards to special needs and vulnerable populations. After the panel, attendees worked together in a break out session to discuss goals and strategies for developing emergency plans for their own organizations. We will be compiling a report on the symposium that we will share widely.

**NYC CITIZEN CORPS INITIATIVES:**

**Love Notify NYC Contest**

New Yorkers are invited to show their love for being "in the know" by signing up for [Notify NYC](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAkmZkFQIlRxGYcflJcU3-wHUa82-XWe37D78SsZwK9WldsbtuE5N0Iapn0USFxB0tleb5dbB3c4Ei7B_CkU2hGSO_ByFH2KCtfwmCYl9evjAcodOW5Dds87XUYefCLrOl6uYNdJs7bazgJAxs5FL0iI=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==), the City's official source for information about emergency events and important City services. Open to new subscribers, the Love Notify NYC Contest, which runs from Feb. 1 through Feb. 28, will give New Yorkers the chance to win one of five Duracell Powermat wireless device chargers. For more information about the contest, visit this [page](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAiY38OrOc9yFOa2N-tEdR0PnB409LJ5Ze3c1IlFkXnyRxj9uOOs3kVyNgJND9Z7sqsxMDDDHEnRnvHqYAXkJ98fZgfaAY2UUwJm--nyABFcoPrw5Rd3AVPJ4dtqxs2GuH_gSLY_XR0PlcgFVg0nsgSvwR9W9jX8juePMtc75JIrsull_je6M7uwSDDmBry34QQ==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**Become A Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador**

The Weather-Ready Nation Ambassador™ initiative is the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) new effort to formally recognize NOAA partners who are improving the nation's readiness, responsiveness, and overall resilience against extreme weather, water, and climate events. As a WRN Ambassador, partners commit to working with NOAA and other Ambassadors to strengthen national resilience against extreme weather. In effect, the WRN Ambassador initiative helps unify the efforts across government, non-profits, academia, and private industry toward making the nation more ready, responsive, and resilient against extreme environmental hazards. To learn more and apply, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB5qOeTDlOagH57Wn1umDN4O_VtImGrj8FMG_hBv89OXmixCxdE9yzyjgQ6LmkYjJhU-QIZ8cNA9aVv7GWxHr3p8uqyTvCIfXXzNmm12mAbzfpFFAsNsPnRo1LnoiBBkAcqhuWoX__EBMwsNInmibyXEZ-xrPTT0hkg&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**We Are New York: "The Storm" Episode**

Check out "The Storm"! A 25 minute episode of the [We Are New York](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAtOddV6B9G5r60hMHKIX9P98TM6Lx8qDcqilR-pZE2hPS0PaGAm8ML0DEISljlB0tOtJjY6utmseCMZgqDVdfTzBLY7JBHYWs_6EYRqcuWV0yGtwhI1vi-ACTp9qnTixLeH3G4XUUblCWL9-iHJc1AiR1Y7GHJI2RxCcbI5AzUiz&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) series geared towards English-language learners (ELL). The episode focuses on emergency preparedness and access to city resources during emergencies and will be accompanied by various learning materials for beginner and intermediate English language learners. "The Storm" and study guide are available to view or download at anytime [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAuQ4Kw38-H5jVtLSPWZLyROOOo2MPlTk3HwwOZ-shlnXNCWH8s2QQN3VS4YLxoLrqYIAThoGRad-hg-Nl3y1oIuiyfwfg-hWK8L5Br2-uA_d254eDPjYOa_jdEkB0cKqtucN3VD7YhwsAA-LxLG51jYgv2N9r7oS5s9rqsSGW_wW&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==). If you are interested in learning more about this project or ordering a toolkit to use these materials in your outreach, please contact Emily Accamando at  [eaccamando@oem.nyc.gov](mailto:eaccamando@oem.nyc.gov)

**Emergency Preparedness for People with Disabilities**

Check out this unique instructional [video](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAgG6VmUmBaCLdlSxxdbpjAVgQBO5Z3NBji7BkXa2DFEWCGp4OFQRq6slIGQSW4LfCY0up5VkrFPnHesIxnL_3uDbMPJ4FG06lVRJBrx_0RJsMPQMpn6PjTIRg0ayFKPtb91V51t6yAPklpQv6AN7mU1seAWvv2qXyTk1a3zpcdrcJhleb4wpooU=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) produced by FEMA containing information specific to Americans with disabilities or other access and functional needs regarding emergency preparedness.

**EmergeNYC**

During Hurricane Irene and Sandy, thousands of volunteers spent time in one of the City's Evacuation or Distribution Centers. [NYC Service](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAjW0LzSSlkt4Q_A9h9YM1e28jS-_onR32esxB1iBqEp9jWPK_Jv5uebWkVso6M3ZxEEStSKqBlQLjRu5hblTUfWN6glNy1gXRPa6M-YYACVS1-Dc6jloIBKBbblSPg66bQ==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) is working with NYC OEM to recruit New Yorkers who can be called upon in case of an emergency to help staff Evacuation Shelters and Commodity Distribution Points. To find out how you can use your skills for good, visit [EmergeNYC](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAjas5y0mV4TKhY89B1bnHGHY3O8_lT97UnUfhAawJ1he81rqsz-ySv1pAHkFZ0L5YT7wEwl5ZaE_WtVlQt2nt-lcbso5qod2-eRD6dOyPD23gGvGMUxBX_97mO0gmz3O887Kp3aJ5WMNyd2QTSgWel7T0od-XcfB8DUiyLjZ44hof9my5nqsjs4=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**Spread the Word - NYC Citizen Corps News**

If you would like to include information in the NYC Citizen Corps News, or if there is anyone in your organization or another organization that would benefit from this weekly communication, please email [citizencorps@oem.nyc.gov](mailto:citizencorps@oem.nyc.gov) with the relevant information.

**Visit our website for more resources at** [www.NYC.gov/citizencorps](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAippRBnN9yCOy-rfxN7HtSxmStQW-nOCeLOqtQLHzYWFTZfAHQG-uL-ejVFEFauq2mLqtSqD8Rg3F98YT8gwp1kG2iLD8mlawByGuY9_4DdcDRCuokjEDg2mQ4eEaGF7tiEeILty1L1t3ZM4Q7gubJDmZ8KwGPaf3y1fMd9OvUC-&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)

**WEBINARS/EVENTS And RESOURCES:**

**March 1st - Free Emergency Preparedness Training**

The American Red Cross Greater NY Region and Lutheran HealthCare will team up to provide emergency preparedness training to more than 100 New Yorkers this Saturday. From 11 AM to noon, residents will learn the necessary skills to be prepared before an emergency occurs. Classes will be taught in English and Spanish. The first 100 people to register will receive a FREE "Emergency Essentials Pak" containing some basic preparedness supplies. The event is open to the general public. You must attend the presentation to receive an Emergency Essentials Pak. To register, call 212-875-2189 or email [outreach.gny@redcross.org](mailto:outreach.gny@redcross.org) and specify language (English or Spanish).

**March 7th - Disaster Preparedness Drills and Exercises Seminar**

Les Ready & the Primary Care Emergency Preparedness Network (PCEPN) have partnered to offer this free one day Drills and Exercise Seminar for Community Based Organizations. Drills and exercises are an excellent means of measuring the abilities of a community based organization to function during or post disaster. They also help to identify gaps in the emergency response which provides an opportunity for training and improvement in specific areas. For more info and registration, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB52PThnSzI9U0zt-cXtsrOagwD72FwWR6Rf3eNluesYdxH9ezWwaJdAHZZN1p14DuDA7TUOtGvd5BwDrPkYmNEXobH6wMARaQgMHGJ0111zyJPExD5fZsdQcSZkiSfAkAxMShLZL-ZL2pJ_qg2kj2EB_rLNAaIyCWCDO07Yov4G_URHQIRiogFYOI6me99D9o24YYQMUMzyGLltYhGIDWCTA==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**March 7th - The New Normal - Partnerships and Inclusiveness Webinar**

In celebration of International Women's Day and in partnership in IAEM, Diversity Ad Hoc Committee, join us on March 7th. Women leaders in emergency management and homeland security will discuss one of FEMA's core principles; Partnerships and Inclusiveness. The panelists' primary focus is the important role women leaders play in promoting inclusion of "whole community" and respect for social and cultural diversity. For more info, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB5WJ3YcaZ1W7FSiv-e_08yv3kIbc6r7cjmV-CCkvqT5z3IlE-FdNqmOYvPOvScWySjmY2d65xJZoAx4wP4nY9Zw3Aw-WjzOpgNgnJDwegb44E4CEbyTLQSr5JpRL6UhCyx&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==). For registration, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB5jM87i6E47uqvVKppfC4_YSfGXf39gdULw4Ec9I3IOvRRnWBuX69fTHKlE90BTNPAbmysPvsbZJ-qYQpYTv47TBucZfTaw9BRAiRU_240JW2443tD93k954aRu2SYnVlU9OBSNP1BffY=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**March 18th - Emergency Preparedness & Building Resilient Communities: A Four Part Series (For Bronx Service Providers Only)**

DOHMH, OEM and CAUSE-NY in conjunction with The Bronx Long-Term Recovery Group present a four-part series on emergency preparedness. Participants can attend individual sessions but are encouraged to participate in all four parts of the series. For more info and registration, click [here.](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAuQ4Kw38-H5ji2g6mCedjiiiG8ymZI2cNDV_iQHEulZkIoyhRq_Xa6W7VcHNi7AZy-WIUtICf9TpMlnZUdptFVv9_Jih429lfkqDvIWH9lk5C5r4j1GjSa7MZmToiNhMttx6mZx6YHYupKFs8lMuJbNKfTiE5ylRa_bFHGLXMrUIkR0Y4tJoZ4YiSN8baKta3qH_4HjgimJE_lLbbHlRThQ=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)

**April 25th - "Why Don't People Listen?" - The Whole Community and Communicating in a Crisis**

The 11th annual Institute for Disaster Mental Health conference held at SUNY New Paltz will focus on how disaster response professionals can best communicate with community members to help them avoid or minimize their exposure to disaster, and to jumpstart their recovery when events do occur. Presentations and workshops will address specific hazards and populations, with representatives familiar with the challenges of message dissemination during complex and rapidly changing disasters. For more info, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAoSC0HkrVwIlhMG4Eev1Atpnzi_p6TCSdXIVabZ16US34fH8XmwM54wncmEtqUFaBwc-_KfxN0OFIIqQ3_QTmkY-lSaWqZ02ez2Pe-yUsO1VHNUpl9UM-EMovHTzyt0-SszQ8spnTJbQ7TjgrYU_T6w=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**May 15th - Core Principles of Trauma-Informed Care: The Essentials**

This full-day conference held at NYU Kimmel Center is the first in an ongoing workshop series about evidence-based trauma treatments. The program will expose participants to the essentials of trauma, including: defining trauma and trauma in the recovery process; examining the neurobiological implications of trauma; exploring EBP and emerging interventions; and looking at aspects of evidence-informed care in different populations. For more info and registration, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAsA3T4fly4hYeceI-uUrMcr3QmflnOJvNx6hEr_W-xVM1opcXNvFH1XoyzRB2U9Rkfc89BXxLIINBsPwR3QX1J_NumfsWUWBjDQVc2qLguPDuYsc_5fCCBl652-4IzkJmFL0z-27kmExsf6SXuV_Dw4rqSTuNDKdVn_zUqId2F2J_FAfNZwGSDuhMk124UrE72vyg_DVNrCG&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**FEMA Youth Preparedness Council (Deadline to Apply 3/3/14)**

The Youth Preparedness Council is a unique opportunity for youth leaders to serve on a highly distinguished national council. Additionally, the youth leaders have the opportunity to complete a self-selected youth preparedness project and to share their opinions, experiences, ideas, solutions and questions regarding youth disaster preparedness with the leadership of FEMA. Any individual between the ages of 12 and 17 who is engaged in individual and community preparedness or who has experienced a disaster that has motivated him or her to make a positive difference in his or her community, may apply. For more info and the application, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkApa0b-MyCdRn3B6960Y80rFMHI2DevpuDaUnLPnf0j553rkb3-txylb1FASwZ8DiwtVVkEiio6tWRpdTlFssO-RdCEZJ3Z3O33ebFfkGJx8Z5k3SZ0VrD-kFs-7KoB6Iu9EI5sUECBir9T6jpSUgoEU=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**Training Courses - Primary Care Emergency Preparedness Network**   
The Primary Care Emergency Preparedness Network (PCEPN) has developed a comprehensive training schedule for New York City's primary care centers. These courses have been designed to develop and enhance staff knowledge around some of the basic core competencies of emergency management. Visit [www.pcepn.org](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAuQ4Kw38-H5j9LnnkWAJ0Ngh8z3p4UdU0nQplAejQSSHbWAb_LTAW6HP6fvNinOmuH98uMvikL1h5MC68oCmetgcONffVtQLMUXmt0Y1vykHX0x0Cjqbals=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) for dates and detailed training course descriptions. To register, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAuQ4Kw38-H5j5OAooCXazrNU13E8J6_wM_aZwaRGA6fmOd6BpAv4aXmwLm5wDPJ75q9Ldfr9uV96Gi-n5S9KRTrZO5OMPIo84L964T9h6Kw73D06otGw-k8ABEwBeDgBt6Rhn_4jbxdFBFTIuY3ddb9UsizwmiBr-SvAClG86TCz8YMhNr-AYhszuo2H0_vFYcGn7HJM57Ujp09gmQ7c5_qfcLNd5Kif_ztYvl3obzZF&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==). Please note that you do not need to be a PCEPN member to participate.

**Free Online Training Course on Disaster Preparedness**

The University of Pittsburgh, through Coursera, is offering a free Disaster Preparedness course. Please see the link and the course description below. This course will examine the Disaster cycle, government and institutional response, and personal preparedness plans. For more info and registration, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkApa0b-MyCdRnp-ZmF05JQT8Cu7Z_wedcbHwOEHkXV0YwbDZHIiFC-kUp5kV4ZxUHACFQ56uYNS5DVl_jL7djsQIM-jhfUz8R186VQRhf-xUgdpy-sT-dtnT3SIb-OiDJFWftj_FfliV59U2iE8yv2Ss=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**SANDY RECOVERY:**

**We Are The Bronx Fellowship Grant (Deadline 3/31/14)**

The 2013-2014 Grant Making Committee will award a grant of up to $1,000 for Bronx-based projectsthat benefit the Bronx community with college bound and job readiness or healthy food and nutrition initiatives. To find out more and to apply, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB5wckCF2otOMhGcNHoo4irC0F__5CkjxSxfgLsdBGopTVxXv7sXPVkmy708A4rNLDtTsEBNCaL2m28IIVoQoTdePEULLiqCVIcj3LqlA3KGLU09qv14g6AZQ==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**FEMA Proof of Loss Filing Extension (Deadline 4/28/14)**

A six month extension has been granted to Sandy survivors still in need of filing a critical legal document that itemizes losses they feel should be covered in insurance settlements. The [Proof of Loss](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAmg5DLXH-3v7CGgHzb0GjvLi444pbvV39K_0Jbqbt0F9N6arrxIMbPbsoHYV8gYGtMWrdQUmhuh7nsaSldACZR3ZbCP7yjxfMmzH4CVcubgic5DZYGx98Bg2tTgA-EOeC_O-WOvO9qYTA_I_p4x4qxK4IP9Kdxmb233P_IAscN7oteR3EgHEcFvRcsn8FssrsUVyR50Th3mReANnrI--bApuZA4xAX6Uzg==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) form is crucial to accessing federal relief funds such as those available through the [New York State Housing Recovery Program](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAtNuDdoZb2fpQ-MAv_ehePTRsSAhDlsAtp6M8I5O6WAKl8BanIofb59I8vfVU9-YolULSKYaX8Swrs4zQts_l51x3z8WdqtFiUI-K1AzVrSZeLxb9Pqsliriy5z3qN6aeY4L1VAP_MzG2JPxwtnUhk9P4WWfDMblbMPNZgx8taDOkOUYKmfY4KQ=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==). Read more on the extension and form [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAmg5DLXH-3v7xHhGzz9EdOqHpFSgx__1pI3DyupTu72etosqpzqfYjrpx8mkY__HJxv-DUs4-33WwVOwPNjD1MM98sH8GJUXTwWrJ5ZImSbkDsZMfGvVO8YTE0b1T_qMyy__PoUPUXEg2hYOznsQQKAhd47bH8om6Q6e4Kvz9LhqFXXhB3Lh2sW1uL3W_V8mDA==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**Survey Request for System-Level Mass Fatality Preparedness Study**  
Faith communities play an integral role in emergency preparedness and response. Mass fatality preparedness is an essential component of emergency preparedness. To assess our nation's level of mass fatality preparedness, Dr. Robyn Gershon, at the University of California San Francisco, and colleagues at Columbia University and Loyola University Maryland have been awarded a research grant by the National Science Foundation. As part of this study, the researchers have created a survey to assess the U.S. faith communities' level of preparedness for mass fatality events. Having input from faith-based practitioners is crucial to the quality of this study. Please take the survey [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAoSC0HkrVwIl1ESPp4hqbVOanMy-PejSx-qEH1JYxKCsbPwYYlBUkpg6WdAZkS30EjNpp3bmeRcL8QeZ6V9OtYJy8U3qAkHuLG6DmfZyMA9q_FJFEXekz9d6DAM8Cyai_GU2qwoHMN_X5mtUfpiu6gE=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**Trouble the Water: Share Your Sandy Story**

Share your story! Help build a reservoir of local knowledge from cultural conversations on Hurricane Sandy, traditions, work and resilience. Staten Island Arts is working with the National Storytelling Network to create an online archive that documents the experiences of Staten Islanders during Hurricane Sandy. For more info, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAt63XN-OV5XOf7xf4uhE9SJhUAj_2w6KaBGaPj91q1OewjmmVq5dvj9MW-DrhcWzw7yiKelbfgN-AzuJNIxRtNyU5hbbdhTi5nPS0hAi-rHJKs2_rMlWPwgoYB77-DU7bqC7H-j4WXlOKH0ee7xZFiz1nfBXwHel9EJs5-xo0t7afjCmXTKdfYwv86ZSoAUU-r-F2WnCskDTCj2ixrbdbz0=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**New York State Citizen Preparedness Corps Training**

Governor Cuomo has [launched](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAiY38OrOc9yFH8V8n0uZ8boffY2AzFR7WS6USUpfFeuwPjFYPSqw9qzj_3ZCE8JEuuAQy2cvam-knSS4u3TdsUZGtmFecUq43aYLeWMDtAWxwsTEsXt2Yx4iPBstGs_HVWsGZXN2jiSAX1RPKyF24DnIw5eeJieIseZrhi8SeXAPbXtpkXKlob5zdXppTYii12j1lbTrMcni&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) the New York State Citizen Preparedness Corps so residents have the tools and resources to prepare for any type of disaster, respond accordingly and recover as quickly as possible to pre-disaster conditions. All training sessions will be coordinated with local county emergency management personnel. For more info about these trainings and program, click [here](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAiY38OrOc9yFMi0KO7U91d1C0SZcrNB92RIr8SxmD7_C9clDiyQkE0d_z8Shm5Rsua5TS-WGnFey1-DZ0hUHp_-BASPKaU4iwrseBaySSyoKc8Qu1XczCt2wsWqJ9_ZQ0g5KrrcKPxbnjKKTz7cvkpKodgl_6KymFg==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==).

**Rebuilding Together NYC Joins NRNYC Home Repair Program**

As part of the program, Rebuilding Together NYC will help assist low-income homeowners who may not be eligible for New York City's Build it Back program with a range of repairs for their Sandy-damaged homes. The program aims to rebuild up to 650 homes in 2014. Homeowners interested in being candidates for this program who are not registered for Build it Back can call NRNYC at 212-455-9309 for more information.

**Mennonite Disaster Services Repair & Rebuild Work in Far Rockaway**

The Mennonites (MDS) are still looking for clients needing home repairs to primary living spaces. MDS is taking cases from all DCM agencies and is actively looking for Far Rockaway clients who cannot afford contractors and cannot take out loans for their repairs. Their main area of focus are the most vulnerable DCM populations: elderly, low-income, single parents, job loss, high medical bills, etc. For intake and eligibility questions, please contact Esther McCoy at (503) 939-2787 or [email](mailto:wilmccoy@aol.com).

**Lutheran Social Services of NY Sandy Legal Representation Project**

The [NY Sandy Legal Representation Project](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAiY38OrOc9yFhHK-wK-5T5Y-OuB93-d-KjwcFPwefOI84zWcm37io3Zyo0q6s2lysokLs3boHGUJW_svAWkKC4hOxobCdn-b3ZC_wb6eDeHxv7Whn61Bv4oQaFNhMpxE8w_CFWV0jXo4gXNeo9pis9Gw15G7bpCWwklKPVCs1Fm0IHTI8IRiU5nrOf_zvyHlgymlMEqypl7f3KaXwVQ013w=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) at Lutheran Social Services of New York (LSSNY) is designed to provide free, needed legal services to immigrant and undocumented survivors of Superstorm Sandy. The agency is currently accepting referrals to this program. Please [email](mailto:ppatel@lssny.org) Priya Patel or call (212) 265-1826 ext. 3009 for additional information, or to refer a client.

**JASA's Emergency Response Volunteer Program**

JASA's Department of Volunteer Services would like to invite all interested volunteers to participate in their Emergency Response Volunteer Program. This [program](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkApa0b-MyCdRnpzn99U_dEGwYoqiOUm4nTw3SRQJZPUMtiBhHkVK4WhtJ9KCucKL3hSXarEBRGWskIkL4pzgiSmGOrG3BDXFMypqH8C7vv1xsMqEb3Ls-uMKLevwiQwedzLoqtNf3spa2FleGPQNNn-GON1rG-ngplKNw3Bntk2HKGNK8v4tnmX66WAhsUcbte6JqCotTrZPNgWe7yRk8Y08=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) will train volunteers in effective techniques for assisting seniors in the aftermath of a disaster. Volunteers will attend a concise two hour training where they will learn how to perform vital tasks such as assessing the needs of our seniors and supplying them with basic necessities. Please contact Rosa Perez at 212-273-5285 or [rperez@jasa.org](mailto:rperez@jasa.org) to schedule a training session or to learn more.

**24/7 Access to Crisis Support**

If you are experiencing emotional distress related to severe winter weather, please note that LifeNet is always fully operational with 24/7 access to crisis support for all New Yorkers. You can reach [LifeNet](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAgb6QTNTcLeztCkgksD7mKEUDmPPl3ddsDOtaa8VhSBWOLfwiL89khMwO1MMrLuOlpjD2CuQUK8yc_BuVuHep6Nk55rFGVA7nqTTrjXHcgkCz5u2MdcEvQ-xo0_oZsLtSu51TSdo--728a-wCqYf_lhU7zR_H2W4Jw==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) by calling 1-800-543-3638. If you are in/outside New York, you can also call the national Disaster Distress Helpline at 1-800-985-5990. Both services are toll-free, multi-lingual and confidential.

**Updated List of Repair and Rebuild Groups from NYC VOAD**

Based on individual reporting, voluntary agencies listed in the [Housing Recovery Resource Guide](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAgb6QTNTcLezuRt13F4T4zE4Rv7A1DGNjDsazjpXkOZLWmsRtsbd5o-Wj9eNPRp05-_00uYCoXQjj3UJpeBZzUCLw1Fzy0yYrgGz7mp15IqfMK4Hm4xXhjaacv9ZXoJdMy55j0J8eFeSt9X2vOiFpeD3FxWpbtjL1wLS2UMUMfy_L3BLkNcebi810Bj8wfrckwl1z0SDp1W6qln1bw8A-fo=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==) plan to provide more than 1,200 rebuild services in New York City in 2014. The vast majority of organizations are working in only one borough, with 355 services listed in Brooklyn. To add, change, or update information, email [Maureen Medina](mailto:mmedina@worldcares.org) at World Cares. Thanks to Colleen Smallfield at New York Cares for the guide.

**Hurricane Sandy NY Resource List**

Check out these great tools to see some of the resources available to New Yorkers in the wake of Hurricane Sandy.

* [NY Disaster Grants Resources Guide (UPDATED)](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB5KHiXtpXbnpt6kCYY6ttEJQ8pIeuU1C-6N0kMwS9FhzAoTdBQWoZ18AzzeiPupBHAN3-JGcFxU6ixp2CmhF_b2MaFS16KExX11lxJX3FqIgO2IlvQBr8SFUdq0wXmr5cABKgDW7l33iAY_Tj7P5TWOynlZyRqIYmCihk4qAMXKRx6v-ZVsRfyuY86rqKsjWyoSADcEWuizUU=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)
* [NY State Recovery Resources Center](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAu0PeChzTJQ2dkThVpCM_wL19z7B-nweidz27UfzG4HAg_8eiHIs6VhiTjNC9-T56_jmuJf8SnlHWgSlRIXTBEh-AWsYaYzdXKDX5M3FcNruVyHvq3ZNkXzgXWj9BjH7XQ==&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)
* [Brooklyn Community Foundation- Recovery Resources](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAovr42tzoIQqdx-26lclIPB3IWljER4Zb6t536zH73eEcwwAP0tiu1Ar5ykB2hlZ92yOvIxJMMsQImiA5jZ0I3iW2p7-7iDOOWzrFyjCuHCGbgJDEsVnY8T7PBP0x0ye0iFbQZplGIWCYjxwPodtkvM7G0yaVaNVC8RMRi6U5lxl5xQZC-T-IggIDV56zv-V7y_9h-KEAjn9&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)
* [NY Hurricane Sandy Disaster Recovery Resources (UPDATED)](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAlpM6ti3zhB5EKdzkoG4FzotLQWQYWq0CShSrwJRnp7Y9zveV_Z733kprfAIbs6uqCFWognSpOHWYzCooMIj3yQoRzBknwITDrBzmqYhCjUll6XAULNoNjwiEi2GhB_NCkUSI-8txpT8-uZxc1slUdX5utasl02q1nslzNppyd33S5U2Zn4wPn-iCO35hrOYEo98wXqiNstZ7dOaM6OU_ks=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)

[NYDIS: Online Sandy Recovery Guide & Resources (with Widgets)](http://r20.rs6.net/tn.jsp?f=001Mgs_DWEa7I3niVB2WQohwDoLWXcrb72NWAxl9aB76eMgqaWu8HlkAsHp0nXoKawnZfkaP4S3_MkpUCLFgbfk2nET2a2YGRMm_fWkso7-VEOCh987i47f-Uiqtc9RUdOjSxl_G5UVRxdoHqawTnA6_sEp-j8FlvdO9WlUakgzvkQq0VoO_JD7LzQSuzFYw8lijILnTnR-gKPBGQ7WSBuTlMqI1n98VXYWS-rp8GZf_c7hEZaKdGYTBNA-VD6YoSxqtB6mH0-ewTg=&c=StO3nDo4OeQyGK0ahmc4n6QN_2RbmikDCgPv9JUrZbUQTcQnvXvrJQ==&ch=64s0Jt8tcKEEgCo0XzE_-TAWyzic0BSLOeVCRkSvdfMbXseLcEJgKw==)

Thank you and a lovely weekend,

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