

NYC Emergency Management's Resources for People with Disabilities and Others with Access and Functional Needs

Recommendation

Use the following resources to support people with disabilities, access, and functional needs during your emergency planning and response efforts.

The Ready New York Program

The Ready New York program offers tips and information designed to help all New Yorkers prepare for emergencies. Preparedness materials offered for people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs include:

- Presentations and participation in community fairs tailored to people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs. Request a presentation or NYC Emergency Management attendance at your community event at: www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/request-event.page
- Guides and resources in 13 languages and audio format which can be requested at: www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/ready-new-york-inquiries.page
- Videos that focus on information for people with disabilities about emergency shelters, including in American Sign Language.

Community Preparedness

Community Preparedness offers community organizations resources and training to build local emergency preparedness and response capacity. Training and resources focusing on people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs include:

- The Community Emergency Planning Toolkit: a resource to guide your community through an inclusive planning process. The toolkit can be accessed by visiting on.nyc.gov/toolkit
- The NYC Disability, Access and Functional Needs Symposium is an annual event bringing together community leaders to discuss emergency preparedness for people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs. Annual reports are available here: www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/community-planning-disabilities-access-functional-needs.page
- Frequently asked questions about various emergency preparedness topics for people with disabilities are available on NYC Emergency Management's website: www1.nyc.gov/site/em/ready/disabilities-access-functional-needs.page#faq

Emergency Information

- Register for the Advance Warning System, which disseminates emergency information to agencies and organizations that serve people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs about hazards in New York City. To register your organization, visit www.advancewarningsystemnyc.org
- Notify NYC is the City's official, free emergency communications program. Register for emergency notifications by getting the free Notify NYC mobile application, visiting nyc.gov/notifynyc, contacting 311 (212-639-9675 for Video Relay Service, or TTY: 212-504-4115) or following [@NotifyNYC](https://twitter.com/NotifyNYC) on Twitter. (Notify NYC messages are available through many formats, including email, text messages, telephone, the Notify NYC website, RSS, Twitter, and American Sign Language videos.)
- Sign up for the Community Preparedness Newsletter and connect with other organizations in your community by visiting: nycem.samaritan.com/communityprep/#/volunteer_home.