



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## Addabbo encourages constituents to get important information about disaster readiness during National Preparedness Month

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September is known as National Preparedness Month and aims to help raise awareness about the importance of preparing for disasters and emergencies, and with his district's history of facing natural disasters, like Superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Ida, State Senator Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr. is giving his constituents some important information from the New York City Emergency Management Department on how to prepare and stay safe during emergency situations.

This year's National Preparedness Month's theme is: "A Lasting Legacy," the life you've built is worth protecting. Prepare for disasters to create a lasting legacy for you and your family.

In keeping with this year's theme, the New York City Emergency Management Department is teaching New Yorkers the necessary tools to prepare their families, pets, businesses, and communities for any emergency through in-person and virtual events all month long. Through partnerships with Community Organizations Active in Disasters (COAD) and Community Emergency Networks, the department will host seminars and panel discussions that can equip individuals with the tools they need to prepare for, respond to, and recover from an emergency.

Upcoming events across New York City include:

- September 13: National Preparedness Month Webinar Series: Creating Communication Strategies for Emergencies. Register here: [https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_XDHs2BpWT8WLhIglLo\\_sGA](https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XDHs2BpWT8WLhIglLo_sGA)
- September 15: National Preparedness Month: Pets and Service Animal Preparedness Fair. North Plaza - Union Square Park
- September 18: National Preparedness Month: Staten Island Children's Museum
- September 20: National Preparedness Month Webinar Series: Communities Can Be Language Ready During Emergencies. Register here: [https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_HWJhdnLCT8CD-OHwTp9j-w?\\_x\\_zm\\_rtaid=bMZHPRtuTdqbJhJ8kz6\\_yQ.1662650235772.f08270ea67afc69c255cd26d24146ed](https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_HWJhdnLCT8CD-OHwTp9j-w?_x_zm_rtaid=bMZHPRtuTdqbJhJ8kz6_yQ.1662650235772.f08270ea67afc69c255cd26d24146ed)
- September 22: National Preparedness Month Webinar Series: How Can Communities Mitigate Weather Related Emergencies.
- September 24: National Preparedness Month: Bronx Zoo (requires paid admission to the zoo)

- September 29: National Preparedness Month Webinar Series: Business Continuity for Enhanced Preparedness. Register here: [https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_dYccd1bKQwOwFpZdBDWkGA](https://nycem-nyc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_dYccd1bKQwOwFpZdBDWkGA)

During these events, New Yorkers will hear from emergency management experts and community groups that specialize in disaster preparedness and response.

“We’ve seen the devastating effects of natural disasters firsthand when Superstorm Sandy tore through our communities and left a trail of destruction in its wake. My office team will never forget how we all worked together throughout our communities to help people recover from that horrific storm,” Addabbo said. “As we continue to face stronger and stronger storms as a consequence of climate change, it is imperative that our coastal communities are prepared for when the next big storm hits and have a plan to protect their homes and businesses while getting their families to safety. The information provided through the NYC Emergency Management Department during these events will help save lives.”

For more information and resources about National Preparedness Month visit <https://www.ready.gov/september>.

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