



**EMERGENCIES  
HAPPEN  
EVERYDAY.**

**THOSE  
AFFECTED  
NEED  
YOUR  
HELP.**

## **MISSION**

**The NYC Citizen Corps Council uses voluntary citizen involvement and the coordination of interagency resources to create a culture of preparedness among New York City residents to enable individuals citywide to prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.**

**To learn more, please visit:**

**[www.NYC.gov/citizencorps](http://www.NYC.gov/citizencorps) or call 311.**

**VOLUNTEER**

**NEW YORK**  
**citizen**  **corps**

# VOLUNTEER

**GET INVOLVED AND HELP OTHERS RESPOND TO AND RECOVER FROM EMERGENCIES**

## **AMERICAN RED CROSS IN GREATER NEW YORK (ARC/GNY)**

ARC/GNY offers complete training programs and volunteer opportunities for people of all ages, interests, and availability. Corporate and community organizations can organize “Ready When the Time Comes” teams that partner with ARC/GNY as disaster reserve volunteers that join the ARC/GNY response team during and after major local disasters. For complete information on CPR and first aid training classes, preparedness information, and volunteer and donation opportunities, please visit:

[www.nyredcross.org](http://www.nyredcross.org) or call (877) RED-CROSS.

## **AMERICAN SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS (ASPCA)**

The ASPCA needs emergency animal sheltering volunteers to assist sheltering pets in the event of a coastal storm or other disaster. The ASPCA provides training sessions in which participants learn how to become animal coordinators, “on-call” volunteers who are deployed as needed to City evacuation centers or hurricane shelters in the event of an emergency. To attend a session or to receive more information, please visit:

[www.aspca.org](http://www.aspca.org) or call (212) 876-7700.

## **COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)**

The New York City Office of Emergency Management’s CERT program trains community-based volunteers in disaster preparedness and emergency response through an intensive, 10-week training course. During non-emergency situations, CERT members educate their communities about emergency preparedness and building community disaster networks. For more information, please visit:

[www.NYC.gov/cert](http://www.NYC.gov/cert) or call 311.

## **DISASTER CHAPLAINCY SERVICES**

Disaster Chaplaincy Services is a nonsectarian organization committed to relieving the suffering of people affected by disaster. Through educating, organizing, training, and supporting spiritual leaders, Disaster Chaplaincy Services provides effective and compassionate chaplaincy for disaster victims of any faith (or no faith) or ethnicity. For more information, please visit:

[www.disasterchaplaincy.org](http://www.disasterchaplaincy.org) or call (212) 239-1393.

## **NEW YORK CARES**

New York Cares brings vital volunteer support to more than 850 organizations throughout all five boroughs. Projects span a wide range of issue areas, including reading with public school children, walking shelter dogs, spending evenings teaching financial management skills, painting murals in schools, and rock climbing with underprivileged kids. For more information, please visit:

[www.newyorkcares.org](http://www.newyorkcares.org) or call (212) 228-5000.

## **MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS (MRC)**

The MRC enhances New York City’s emergency preparedness by ensuring that a trained group of volunteer health professionals is ready to respond to public health emergencies. The MRC primarily helps to distribute antibiotics or vaccines during an emergency that requires mass prophylaxis of New Yorkers. Volunteers may also be called upon to assist the City with mass sheltering operations or medical surge capacity. For more information and to register, please visit:

[www.NYC.gov/medicalreservecorps](http://www.NYC.gov/medicalreservecorps) or call (866) NYC-DOH1.

## **NYC SERVICE**

NYC Service is tasked with setting a new standard for how cities can tap the power of their people to tackle their most pressing challenges. NYC Service oversees more than 40 innovative initiatives that aim to achieve three overarching goals: making New York City the easiest place in the world to volunteer, targeting volunteers to address the city’s greatest needs, and promoting service as a core part of what it means to be a citizen of the greatest City in the world. For more information, visit:

[www.nyccservice.org](http://www.nyccservice.org) or call 311.

## **NYPD AUXILIARY POLICE**

The New York Police Department Auxiliary Police are NYC citizens who volunteer to assist their local Police Commanders in non-enforcement and non-hazardous duties. Volunteers come from all walks of life. Every police precinct, housing development, and transit district has an Auxiliary Police unit. The NYPD also has Auxiliary Police units assigned to harbor and highway units. To learn more about joining, please visit your local precinct, housing PSA, or transit district, or call:

(212) AUX-1000.

## **THE SALVATION ARMY**

The Salvation Army has been meeting the needs of the Greater New York community without discrimination since 1880. The Salvation Army has gained unparalleled, in-depth knowledge of New York City’s neighborhoods through delivering emergency, social, and community services year-round. The Salvation Army Emergency Disaster Services teams offer national and local disaster preparedness, response, and recovery resources, as well as emergency management training, private sector partnerships, and volunteer opportunities. To learn more about The Salvation Army, please visit:

[www.salvationarmy-newyork.org](http://www.salvationarmy-newyork.org) or call (212) 337-7324.