

There is a NYC-wide curfew each evening beginning at 8PM until 5AM the following day through Sunday, June 7th

During these unprecedented times World Cares Center renews its promise to continue our full engagement for equity and justice for all.

To view frequently asked questions and answers on curfew order visit the <u>Ready Responders Network</u> and read the "<u>NYC announces Citywide Curfew June</u> <u>2nd to June 7th</u>" blog.





#### RR COVID-19 Round Table

#### Manager: Surujdai M

Calling all Partners! Join us for the important COVID-19 Round-Table. Time: 12:45 pm log in and be ready for a 1pm start This Table-Top will use two virtual tools, the Ready Responders Network and ZOOM. Please prepare yourself in advance so that this can

#### **RR COVID-19 Round Table**

Complex Disaster Response Planning! Join us on June 12th, 2020 from 1:00pm-2:30pm for our bimonthly COVID-19 Response Round Table. Subject matter experts, community leaders, and faith-based leaders join in an open dialogue discussing community response, lessons learned, and best practices with an eye on safety as it relates to COVID-19 and complex disaster response planning. Hurricane Season is upon us!

Together, we are fighting COVID-19 by sharing our knowledge and resources to protect Ready Responders and serve our communities.

Become a ReadyResponders member now, it's free: <u>www.readyresponders.org</u> and join the RR COVID-19 Round Table Group.

### LIVE: COVID-19 Seguridad para Voluntarios en Desastres



Take advantage now of our **FREE** online training in **Spanish**: COVID-19 safety for disaster volunteers training. Learn how to protect yourself and your family from COVID-19. Disaster Volunteers can learn to protect themselves when serving

others. Visit www.disastervolunteerismacademy.org

# LIVE: NYSCTF COVID-19 Compassionate Line Training

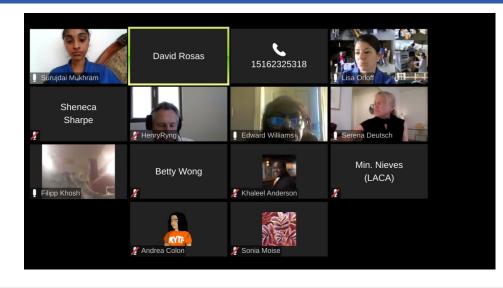


# Take advantage of our recently launched training!

This course was created in partnership with New York State Chaplain Task Force to train call line Compassionate Care providers to assist individuals that are seeking emotional and spiritual support in response to COVID-19.

To take this training, register or log on to the <u>Disaster Volunteerism Academy</u> and select "The Collaborative Partners' Training"

## **COVID-19 Round Table**



A special thanks to subject matter experts Jonathan Rosen of NIEHS, and Dr. Serena Deutsch. Last Friday, May 29th, during World Cares Center bi-monthly Ready Responders COVID-19 Virtual Round Table community and faith-based leaders came together to discuss complex disaster response, and mental health and well being as it relates to COVID-19 and hurricane season. We are committed to working together to ensure we are prepared to respond to the upcoming hurricane season complicated by COVID-19.

Participants from Ready Rockaway, NYPD, Oceanside Apartments, Southeast Queens and Rockaway Mutual Aid Group, InXsol, LACA NJ, Rockaway Youth Task Force, and St. John's Episcopal Hospital have all committed to dedicating the next session to reviewing and reinforcing our collaborative complex disaster response plans. To access notes from the session join the <u>www.readyresponders.org</u>.

### COVID-19, perspectives from our Next Gen Board

The COVID-19 pandemic has had devastating consequences across the board for everyone. We wanted to share specifically the experiences and thoughts of some of the members of Next-Gen as they deal with this pandemic.

#### Raymond Gnesin is 23 and lives in NYC.

"Though I was already searching for jobs before COVID-19 shut down the city, the ability to find a job has been greatly hampered by the pandemic and the increasingly diminishing number of jobs being posted. It now takes twice as much time to make half as much progress. With that said, I've been using this time to develop skills that will hopefully help me advance my careers, including coding. Otherwise, the majority of my free time has been spent watching television and Netflix and trying to find ways to stay in shape without a gym."

Raymond's younger brothers' were halfway though their sophmore year in college

when they were forced into quarantine.

"Their lives rapidly changed when they began taking all their classes through video chat and prerecorded videos. Though they finished their semester fairly seamlessly, there was definitely lost lab time and a number of other issues stemming from not being allowed on campus. They're currently trying to begin summer internships and research remotely, with the hope of gaining something out of the situations, despite the atypical form."

Unlike Raymond Gnesin, **Alexander Maimis** is employed and living with his partner. Alexander is 30 and lives in NYC, as well.

"On the one hand, I don't have much to complain about. My partner and I are both healthy, our jobs are (momentarily) secure, our relationship is strong, and (despite some tribulations) our families are healthy and well. Just acknowledging these things makes us so much more privileged than so many people, and we take the time to remind ourselves of this often, when we're feeling low..."

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# **Volunteers' Highlight**

Our volunteers are important to us and we couldn't do what we do without them! We want to acknowledge and celebrate their achievements and impact on our organization, so each week, we hope to highlight a volunteer for you to get to know.

#### Meet: Steve Landfield (in yellow)

"How long have you been Volunteering for WCC? I have been volunteering with WCC, since the 2019 Boots on the Ground Exercise (BOG X.)

#### Why did you choose to volunteer for WCC?

With my background in environmental safety training, WCC was recommended to me by a friend and fellow WCC volunteer (Simon Pereira Shorey.) He told me about the

BOG X, and I decided to sign up and come see what the event was about. Ever since that day I have been an active WCC volunteer.

#### What are you doing to help the community through your volunteering with WCC?

With my background as an environmental health hazard safety instructor and in emergency response (as a Hoboken & Jersey City, NJ CERT team member - Community Emergency Response Teams), I hope to lend my knowledge, expertise and teaching experience with the constitutents which WCC serves, and I have spoken to several community groups for WCC on the varied topics of Ebola, Flood and Mold Response and Opioids.

#### What do you hope to provide through your volunteering efforts?

Through my volunteering efforts I hope to share my knowledge with community groups and WCC partners, and to expand into new areas where I can be of assistance.

# What skills from your background or work experience are you applying to volunteering?

I have over 10 years experience as an environmental safety instructor and as an Industry Skills Instructor for 32BJ SEIU in New York. I am an EPA Certified Lead-Based Paint Risk Assessor and a NYS Department of Labor Licensed Mold Abatement Supervisor. I have taught lead classes..."

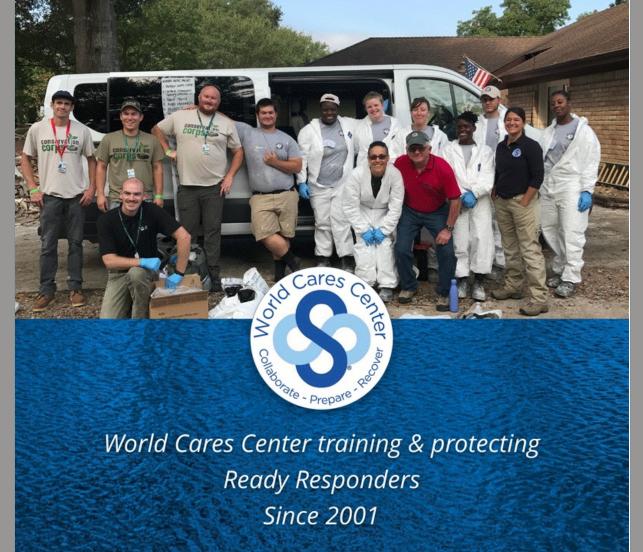
To continue reading this blog, please visit the <u>Ready Responders Network</u> and read the "Volunteers' Highlight: Steve Landfield" blog.

# **Up-to-date Information**

For the latest information, please visit the CDC website at <u>cdc.gov/covid19</u>

If you live outside the United States, health and safety tips can be found through the World Health Organization at <u>https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019</u>

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