
TOP 5 KEY MESSAGES

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New York City is experiencing more frequent and more severe extreme weather events. This includes hurricanes, heavy rain storms, floods, heat waves, drought, wildfires, and extreme cold.

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The infrastructure in New York City is old and is not prepared to withstand these weather events. This means flooding in our basements, roads, and subways, power outages, and extremely high indoor temperatures during heat waves.

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These events disproportionately harm lower income communities, communities of color, immigrants and non-English speakers, the elderly, and people with disabilities.

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Solutions and resources to most of these challenges exist, but we need to ask for them and hold our City accountable to implementing them. These solutions can address the risks of extreme weather, like heat and flooding, while also bringing benefits to our community every day, such as improved physical and mental health, increased recreational space, better air quality, and better water quality.

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Communities that prepare and plan ahead survive. Communities that work together thrive. By talking to our neighbors, partnering with local nonprofits, engaging city agencies and representatives, and making a plan, we can better access resources and advocate for a future vision for our community.