

NY EDEN Mission

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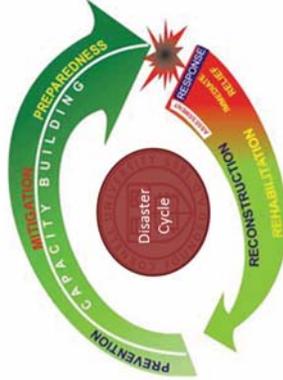
In New York State, we rely upon the national EDEN as a platform upon which to build a highly effective and visible state program. In that sense, we work with our state agencies closely not only in preparedness, but in all phases of the disaster cycle as a trusted partner. Thanks to the national EDEN, we can confidently say that we have the very best science from the best universities in the country behind us, and we are ready to serve the public at all times. This we feel is in keeping with the land grant mission and vision, and is actually a way of reacquainting a whole new generation with the land grant idea and the idea of cooperative extension.

ALL PHASES OF DISASTER

Our role is to work at all times with preparedness. Readiness and resilience are baseline competencies that NY EDEN is always focused upon. We anticipate needs based on past experiences

and future threats, and we either develop our own materials or publicize excellent materials from other land grant universities via our website and webinars, social media, and thru traditional county

cooperative extension channels. As a threat, hazard, or vulnerability emerges, we assess it, develop tailored materials to address it, and act upon it, using our cooperative extension networks and the networks of our partners to disseminate preparedness and readiness educational materials. Once a threat or hazard materializes, we then take on additional roles to complement other state and federal efforts to prepare for and respond to an imminent event. This role takes time to develop, but each time our partners see what we as a state extension system are capable of, they put more and more faith and trust in our capacity to assist in all phases of the disaster cycle.



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What's in it for you?

- Tips on family and home preparedness, informed by the latest science and research.
- Updates and warnings regarding severe weather and emergencies.
- Evidence-based guidance on response and recovery after a disaster.
- Training for increasing resilience to disaster and emergencies.
- Access to a national network of top universities and experts.

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New York Extension Disaster Education Network

The Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN) is a national network of land-grant universities that links Extension educators from across the U.S. and various disciplines, enabling them to use and share resources to reduce the impact of disasters. From food safety to field safety, from physical to psychological, and from government to community development, EDEN has resources you can use.



New York State's EDEN, affiliated with both the national USDA EDEN network and with Cornell University Cooperative Extension, works to link the emergency preparedness resources of New York agencies and organizations with the community networking and outreach capabilities of Cornell Cooperative Extension. The New York Extension Disaster Education Network (NY EDEN) is a collaborative educational network based at Cornell University and accessed via Cornell Cooperative Extension Associations in every county in NYS and all 5 boroughs of NYC, dedicated to educating New York residents about preventing, preparing for and recovering from emergencies and disasters that could affect their families and communities.

The goals of NY EDEN are to:

- Disseminate educational materials relating to emergency preparedness and recovery in order to reduce the impact on individuals and communities.
- Provide emergency preparedness training and resources for Cooperative Extension staff, businesses and community residents.
- Assist CCE Associations in establishing partnerships and plans to assist their communities, through education, in emergency/disaster preparations and recovery.
- Respond to requests for and distribute credible, tailored resource materials, especially to county and state officials, before, during, and after a disaster.



EXTENSION & DISASTER?

"Extension plays a significant role in enabling families, communities, and businesses to successfully respond to these critical incidents. Local Extension agents often function as a critical node of communication in rural areas--particularly when normal communication systems have temporarily broken down following a disaster. Indeed, in reviewing responses to Katrina, some observed that when Extension agents were closely tied to the state's disaster response team, communications flowed much more quickly to affected individuals." — *Franklin E. Boteler, Deputy Administrator, Economic and Community Systems, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service*

"Over the past two years, New York State has been hit by some of the most destructive storms in the state's history, causing untold damage and the tragic loss of many lives. Regardless of the cause of these storms, New York State must undertake major reforms to adapt to the reality that storms such as Sandy, Irene, and Lee can hit the state at any time." — *NV State Governor Andrew M. Cuomo*

"Our relationship with CCE NY EDEN through the Agriculture Sentinel program, and the CCE county offices, have been an invaluable resource for the agriculture community, local emergency managers, and state emergency management representatives in the most dire of times. This collaboration continues to illustrate an outstanding partnership between agencies, committed to supporting and protecting our agriculture community." — *Richard A. Ball, Commissioner of the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets*

