As of August 2020, 1506 communities in New York participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). Of these communities, 35 (or 2%) participate in the Community Rating System (CRS).

Of the top 50 New York communities (in terms of flood insurance policies-in-force), 11 participate in the CRS.

The remaining 39 communities present an outreach opportunity for encouraging participation in the CRS.

**Benefits of Joining the CRS**

* Activities credited by the CRS provide direct benefits to the community, including enhanced public safety, reduction in flood damage and environmental protection.
* Residents are reminded that the community is working to protect them from flood losses.
* Public information activities will build a knowledgeable constituency interested in supporting and improving flood protection measures.
* Money stays in the community instead of being spent on insurance premiums.

For a full list of CRS communities, visit https://www.fema.gov/flood-insurance/rules-legislation/community-rating-system