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Ready Business Workshops Set for New York and Michigan

FLASH is now accepting registrations for [Ready Business](#) Workshops in Binghamton, NY, and Benton Harbor, MI on June 21 and June 28 as part of the 2017 *Ready Business Workshop Series*. The workshops are aimed at businesses, community organizations, houses of worship, and schools to learn about business continuity, disaster response, and the cost benefit of preparing for severe weather and power outage. Participants will learn to identify risks, develop a plan, and take action to mitigate potential impacts. The workshops will deliver information focused on staff, surroundings, space, systems, structure, and service to make businesses and organizations more disaster resilient.

The Binghamton workshop will focus on inland flooding and power outages using the [Inland Flooding](#) and [Power Outage](#) Ready Business Toolkits. FEMA Region II, the Binghamton Chamber of Commerce, Broome County Office of Emergency Services, and FLASH will welcome businesses and organizations to the area's first *Ready Business Workshop*. Partners also include America's SBDC - New York and the Small Business Administration.

The [Benton Harbor workshop](#) will address power outages and severe weather using the new Ready Business [Power Outage](#) and [Severe Wind/Tornado](#) Toolkits. FEMA Individual and Community Preparedness Division, FEMA Region V, Berrien County Sheriff's Department, and FLASH will present the workshop. Partners also include American Red Cross, Cornerstone Chamber of Commerce, Lakeland Health, Local Emergency Planning Committee, Ottawa Kent Insurance, ServPro, Simpson Strong-Tie Co. and Vail Rubber.

FEMA and FLASH will deliver additional *Ready Business Workshops* this year at other locations, including Seattle and Puerto Rico. *Ready Business Workshops* are free, but registration is required. Please visit flash.org/readybusiness to register, or contact [Barbara Harrison](#) for more information. To receive notices about future workshops email info@flash.org to join the update list.