

# FEMA Announces Wyoming Youth Preparedness Council Member

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DENVER – On July 11, FEMA Administrator Deanne Criswell [announced](#) the new group of dedicated young people who committed to engaging and advocating for preparedness as part of the 2023-2024 FEMA National Youth Preparedness Council.

Bryce Ludikhuize of Sheridan County, Wyoming has been selected as one of 15 youth leaders from across the country to serve a one-year term on the national council supporting FEMA’s commitment to promote and sustain a prepared nation.

“What a great accomplishment for Bryce to be selected for the FEMA National Youth Preparedness Council,” said Nancy Dragani, FEMA Region 8 Regional Administrator. “We look forward to the great things that he and the other council members will achieve over the next year and the knowledge and capability they will bring back to their respective states.”

The FEMA Youth Preparedness Council, first formed in 2012, consists of student leaders in grades 8-11 who devote their time and effort to learn about emergency management and serve as preparedness ambassadors in their community. Members are chosen based on their dedication to public service, community involvement and potential to increase levels of community resilience throughout the country.

While on the council, national Youth Preparedness Council members meet with FEMA staff to provide input on strategies, initiatives, and projects. During their term, members gain professional skills and forge new relationships as they work on teams to develop preparedness-related projects.

To learn more about FEMA’s Youth Preparedness Council, visit: [fema.gov/ypc](https://fema.gov/ypc).

FEMA Region 8 covers the states of Colorado, Montana, North and South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming.

