The New York City forum took place at the Jewish Museum on October 27, 2004. It was co-sponsored by the Museum, Library, and Cultural Properties Facility Group of Greater New York City. The 110 participants included representatives from most of the city’s major cultural institutions. Kate Levin, New York City Commissioner of Cultural Affairs, gave the keynote speech. A dynamic panel on “Emergency Management and Community Alliances” featured Deputy Commissioners from the NYC Office of Emergency Management and the Acting Director of FEMA Region II. Afternoon presentations focused on risk assessment, business continuity, and building internal alliances for emergency management. Future initiatives in disaster planning and training are being explored.