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Brooklyn Democratic County Leader



COVID-19 Updates

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A mass coronavirus vaccination site had been set to launch this week at Citi Field in Queens.

Photo Credit: Ryan Christopher Jones for The New York Times

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Mayor de Blasio Delays the Opening of Large Vaccination Hubs Due to Vaccine Shortage

Amid Coronavirus Pandemic

White House Extends Travel Restrictions; 2021 State of the District Event;
Moderna Works On COVID-19 Vaccine For Variant Strain; and More!

NYS Confirmed: 1,338,990
NYS Deaths: 34,242
NYC Confirmed: 566,421
Brooklyn Confirmed: 161,964

RODNEYSE IN THE NEWS



- **Kings County Politics:** Mayor Bill de Blasio in partnership with city and state agencies announce a **\$210 million** public-private fund being driven by Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (M/WBEs) and nonprofit developers. This fund will support affordable housing development post COVID-19. Read more [here](#).

NYS: GOVERNOR CUOMO

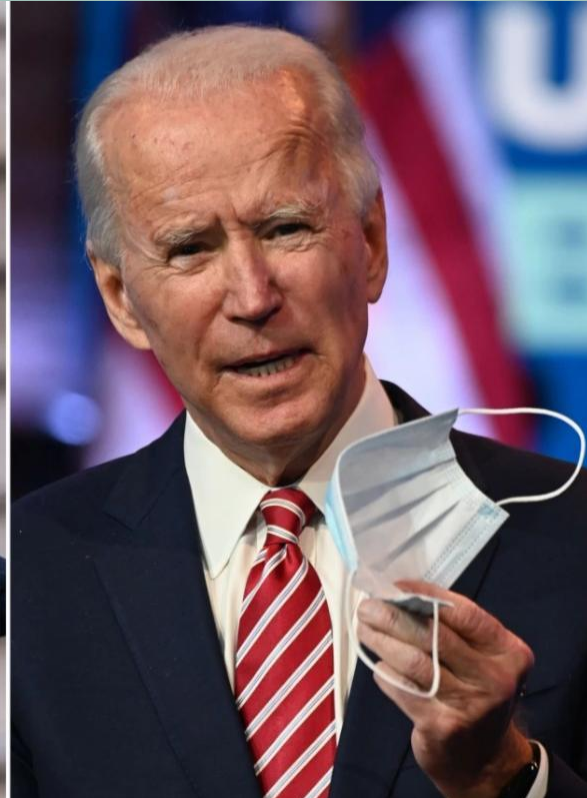


Photo Credit: Governor Andrew M. Cuomo visits NYCHA Vaccine Pop-Up Site in Brooklyn

- **Governor Cuomo** announced on Sunday that New York will expand its current deployment of vaccination kits to more communities.
 - Four additional NYCHA sites will receive vaccination kits.
 - Eight additional churches will receive vaccination kits as well.
 - Work is underway to deploy to all **33 NYCHA senior housing developments** in order to provide seniors with easier access to vaccines.
 - This effort will expand into public housing complexes throughout New York and to more than **300** churches. Read more [here](#).

- The governor urges New Yorkers to not only trust the vaccine and the science behind it, but to also get it as soon as it becomes available.
 - He also provided a list of resources and ways to register for the vaccine. Read more [here](#).

NYC: MAYOR DE BLASIO



In a memo, de Blasio told Biden that New York will run out of vaccine before the week is done.
Photo Credit: Stephen Yang; Getty Images

- **Mayor de Blasio** on Friday asked with urgency for President Biden to tackle the national coronavirus vaccine shortage that is also affecting New York City greatly.
 - The mayor demands quick action to be taken by the president and he also informed the president that more work is ready to be done to give out vaccines. Read more [here](#).

- During today's press conference Mayor de Blasio indicated that the city won't be able to meet goal of administering **1 million** COVID-19 vaccinations by the end of January.
 - Due to an insufficient amount of vaccines being provided to the city the mayor is unable to meet the goal.
 - The opening of large vaccination sites such as Yankee Stadium and Citi Field are being postponed until more vaccines arrive.
- With enough vaccines the mayor indicated that the city could vaccinate **500,000 people** a week with the current infrastructure.
 - The city had a goal of administering **300,000** vaccine doses last week but was only able to do **200,000** doses. Read more [here](#).
- New York City parents are asking that Mayor de Blasio change school closing protocols to permit less school closures.
 - Parents are frustrated by the frequent school closures. The protocols state that a school must close when there is at least two unrelated positive cases of COVID-19 in a school. The current classroom and school closure regulations can be found [here](#).
 - Some parents also argue that frequent school closures impact their attendance at work. Watch more [here](#).
- NYC Council Speaker Corey Johnson, Met Council CEO David Greenfield and United Way of New York City President & CEO Sheena Wright released an op-ed urging Mayor de Blasio to re-authorize **\$25 million** in emergency food pantry funding.

- The op-ed raises growing concerns surrounding job loss in the millions for New Yorkers, seniors being home-bound and isolated, children being out of school, and parents not being able to put food on their table. Read more [here](#).
- **NYC Restaurant Week to Go** will start will start on January 25 and end on January 31.
 - For that week participating restaurants will allow clients to order lunch or dinner for a set price of \$20.21. Read more [here](#).

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



A dose of the Moderna vaccine being filled into a syringe in Mountain View, Calif., on Friday.
Photo Credit: Jim Wilson/The New York Times

- President Biden and the White House are restricting travel into the United States by non-citizens from **South Africa, Brazil, the United Kingdom and Europe.**
 - In light of the different strain of the virus in these locations, a travel ban will be put in place to lessen the spread. Read more [here](#).
- The vaccine maker Moderna indicated that its vaccines are effective against the new variants found in Britain and South Africa.
 - Even though the vaccine is effective, Moderna also indicated that its vaccine provides less protection to the new strain found in South Africa.
 - The company is currently working on a new version of the vaccine to be used as a booster against the strains found in places like South Africa. Read more [here](#).

GLOBAL NEWS



Photo Credit: AP Photo/Marco Ugarte

- The President of Mexico, Andrés Manuel López Obrador, reported on Sunday that he tested positive for COVID-19 but that symptoms are mild as of now.
 - COVID-19 related deaths in Mexico are at **150,000** and infections are at **1.7 million**. Read more [here](#).

STATE OF THE DISTRICT 2021

Please Join
Assemblymember
Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn
at her Annual
**STATE OF THE DISTRICT
ADDRESS**



**THURSDAY,
JANUARY 28, 2021
7:00 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Virtual Event**

Tune in and hear about the challenges and achievements of the past year and her focus for a better 2021.

This event may be viewed on
Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn's
Youtube: <https://tinyurl.com/AD42SOTD21>
Facebook: www.facebook.com/RodneyseBichotte

For more information about state or local issues, contact Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn's office:
(718) 940-0428 • bichotter@nyassembly.gov • www.nyassembly.gov/mem/rodneyse-bichotte-hermelyn

Join **Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn** for her virtual **State of the District** on **Thursday, January 28** at **7 p.m.** You can watch the event on **YouTube** by clicking [here](#) or on **Facebook** by clicking [here](#).

GET THE FACTS ON THE COVID VACCINE

Get the facts.

ny.gov/vaccine



If you have questions about the the COVID-19 vaccine, eligibility, or want to track where vaccines are being distributed throughout New York State click [here](#).

**DEPARTMENT OF STATE
COVID-19 TRAVELER INFORMATION**



Photo Credit: United States Department of State

- "Effective January 26, the [Centers of Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) will require all air passengers entering the United States (including U.S. citizens and Legal Permanent Residents) to **present a negative COVID-19 test**, taken within three calendar days of departure or proof of recovery from the virus within the last 90 days. Airlines must confirm the negative test result or proof of

recovery for all passengers two years of age and over prior to boarding. Airlines must deny boarding of passengers who do not provide documentation of a negative test or recovery.

- Please see CDC's [FAQ](#) for answers to questions about the new requirement for proof of negative COVID-19 test or recovery from COVID-19 for all air passengers arriving in the United States."

PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS AVAILABLE

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Department of Finance



The City of New York offers property tax exemptions for seniors, veterans, clergy members, people with disabilities, and other homeowners. These benefits can reduce property taxes by up to 50% and save homeowners thousands of dollars each year!

It's easy to apply for property tax exemptions!

Apply Online!

www.nyc.gov/dofsmartfile

Property Tax Exemptions Available:

- **Senior Citizen Homeowners' Exemption (SCHE):** for homeowners 65 and over with annual incomes of \$58,399 or less
- **Disabled Homeowners' Exemption (DHE):** for disabled homeowners with annual incomes of \$58,399 or less
- **Veterans:** for those who served in the US military during designated periods of conflict, their unremarried surviving spouses, and Gold Star parents
- **Clergy:** for active and retired members of the clergy or their unremarried surviving spouses
- **Basic STAR:** for homeowners with an annual income of \$500,000 or less; new owners must apply with New York State
- **Enhanced STAR:** for seniors 65 and over with annual incomes of \$90,550 or less

Applying online is fast, safe, and easy.

Need Help?

Contact 311 or visit www.nyc.gov/contactdof.



Deadline

For your tax exemption to begin on July 1 of the year you apply, you must submit your application by March 15.

The NYC Department of Finance is offering **property tax exemptions** for **seniors, veterans, clergy members, people with disabilities** and **other homeowners**. The benefits can allow you to reduce property taxes by up to **50%** saving homeowners in the thousands of dollar per year. To apply online click [here](#) or call 311.

**NBC 4 NEW YORK AND TELEMUNDO 47'S
“PROJECT INNOVATION” GRANT CHALLENGE**

PROJECT
INNOVATION

Photo Credit: Project Innovation

- **The NBC 4 New York and Telemundo 47 Project Innovation grant challenge** is still open! The sponsors are welcoming all eligible non-profits to apply with more than \$300,000 in funding available for New York, New Jersey and Connecticut organizations. **Applications will be accepted until February 12.**

- The Project Innovation website and application portal are available in English [here](#) and Spanish [here](#).
- For those who have questions or would like to learn more about Project Innovation, you can attend the Project Innovation Webinar on Wednesday, January 27th
 - Webinar Time: 1:00-2:00pm EST
 - Webinar Registration Link [here](#).

OVERVIEW OF PRESIDENT BIDEN'S IMMIGRATION PROGRAM

Overview of PRESIDENT BIDEN'S IMMIGRATION PROGRAM

January 27th, 6:30 pm



Panelists:

Jojo Annobil, Camille Mackler
and Shawn Rahman

Moderator:

Allan Wernick

CUNY Citizenship Now! is hosting an event titled Overview of President Biden's Immigration Program on **January 27th at 6:30 PM**. Join panelists Jojo Annobil, Camille Mackler and Shawn Rahman for this special event. To watch the session on Facebook, click [here](#).

BROOKLYN COVID-19 TESTING SITES

Week of 01/25/2021 to 01/31/2021

**BROOKLYN
TESTING SITES***

H+H test site updates: bit.ly/HH_testsites

H+H wait times: bit.ly/HH_waittimes

*H+H sites offer NO-COST tests.
H+H sites may ask, but don't require ID/insurance.
Sites test age 2 & older, unless otherwise noted.*

NYC Health+Hospitals Testing Sites (ongoing)
Days and times vary

Coney Island Hospital
2601 Ocean Parkway
Brooklyn, New York 11235
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Mon – Sat, 8am–4pm, Sun, 8am–12pm

Gotham Health, Cumberland
100 North Portland Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11205
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Mon–Fri, 9am–3:30pm
Sat–Sun, 10am–2pm

Gotham, Jonathan Williams Houses
333 Roebling Street
Brooklyn, New York 11211
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Antibody Tests
Mon – Fri: 8:30am–3:30pm
Sat – Sun: 9am – 2 pm

Starrett City
1279 Pennsylvania Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11239
Also offers Rapid Molecular Tests
Rapid testing is sometimes limited.
Mon – Sun, 9am–7pm

Red Hook Recreation Center
155 Bay Street
Brooklyn, NY 11231
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Flu Shots
Mon – Sun, 9am–7pm

Kings County Hospital
451 Clarkson Avenue
T-Building, Room T-110 1st floor (Corner
of Clarkson Ave & New York Ave)
Brooklyn, New York 11203
718-245-3131
Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Mon–Sat, 7am–7pm
Sun, 9am–5pm (closed 12pm–1pm)

Gotham Health, East New York
2094 Pitkin Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11207
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Mon – Sun, 8am – 3pm

Midwood Pre-K
1223 Coney Island Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11230
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Rapid Point Molecular Tests
Rapid testing is sometimes limited.
Mon – Sun, 9am–7pm

Borough Park
4002 Fort Hamilton Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11218
Also offers Rapid Molecular Tests
Rapid testing is sometimes limited.
Mon – Sun, 9am–7pm

Canarsie Municipal Parking Lot
622 E 99th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11236
(aka 1389 Rockaway Parkway)
Also offers Flu Shots

Woodhull Hospital
760 Broadway
Brooklyn, New York 11206
718-963-8000
Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Mon – Sun, 8:30am – 3:30pm

Gotham Health, Homecrest
1601 Avenue S
Brooklyn, New York 11229
844-NYC-4NYC
Also offers Antibody Tests
Mon – Fri, 8:30am–4pm

Bensonhurst 14th Ave
6315 14th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11219
Also offers Rapid Molecular Tests
Rapid testing is sometimes limited.
Mon – Sun, 9am–7pm

Bay Ridge 5th Ave
8511 & 8515 5th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11209
Also offers Rapid Antigen Tests/Flu Shots
Mon – Sun, 9am–7pm

Ida G. Israel Community Health Ctr
2925 W 19th Street
Brooklyn, New York 11224
844-NYC-4NYC
Mon – Sat, 8am – 4pm; Sun, 8am–12pm

Crown Heights
196 Albany Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11213
Mon – Fri, 9am–5pm

Self-Test Sites (Age 4 and older)

Days & times vary. Please verify on website: bit.ly/HH_testsites

Greenpoint
Mon, Jan. 25: 11am–4pm
Tue–Thu, Jan. 26–28: 9:30am–4pm
Greenpoint Health Center
875 Manhattan Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11222

Brownsville
Mon, Jan. 25: 9:30am–4pm
Mount Pisgah Baptist Church
212 Tompkins Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11216

Brownsville
Tue & Thu, Jan. 26/28: 10am–4pm
The F.A.R.M.
1432 Pitkin Ave,
Brooklyn, NY 11233

Sunset Park
Wed & Thu, Jan. 27–28: 9:30a–4p
BCA Sunset Park Senior Center
5007 7th Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11220

Temporary Partner Site (Age 4 and older)

This site offers standard PCR tests.

Crown Heights
Mon–Fri, Jan. 25–29: 8am–1pm
Robeson Educational Campus
150 Albany Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11213

NYC Health Department COVID-19 Express

Mon–Fri, 9a–5p
By appointment only: nyc.gov/health/covidexpress

Crown Heights Center
1218 Prospect Place.
Brooklyn, NY 11213

Williamsburg
Mon, Jan. 25: 11am–4pm
Tue–Thu, Jan. 26–28: 9:30am–4pm
Williamsburg (Adult Med)
279 Graham Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11211

East New York
Mon–Tue, Jan. 25–26: 9:30am–4pm
Hebron Baptist Church (Lower Lvl)
450 Fountain Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Brownsville
Tue & Thu, Jan. 26/28: 10am–4pm
**Family Services Network
of New York Access Center**
1721 Pitkin Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11212

Bensonhurst
Wed & Thu, Jan. 27–28: 9:30a–4p
BCA Bensonhurst Senior Center
6809 20th Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11204

Fort Greene Center
295 Flatbush Avenue Ext.
Brooklyn, NY 11201

H+H Mobile Testing Vans

Mon–Fri, Hours: 9:30am–4:30pm

East New York
NYCHA Cypress Hills Houses
Building #4 Parking Lot
1250 Sutter Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Williamsburg
NYCHA Marcy Houses
Bball Courts behind bldg #22,
Marcy Houses Driveway Loop
602 Park Ave
Brooklyn, 11206

Partner Mobile Testing Vans (Age 4 and older)
Due to traffic/parking issues, vans may sometimes be
located within 1-2 blocks of posted address.
Rapid tests and standard PCR tests available.
Days and times vary.

East Williamsburg
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
NYCHA Cooper Park Houses
Parking lot by 275 Jackson St.
Brooklyn, NY 11211

Bedford-Stuyvesant
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
Marcy Plaza
Marcy Ave. & Fulton St.
Brooklyn, 11216

Ocean Hill
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
NYCHA Ocean Hill Houses
15 Mother Gatson Blvd
(Corner of Sumpter St.)
Brooklyn, NY 11233

Sunset Park
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
Sunset Park
Corner of 6th Ave & 44th St.
Brooklyn, NY 11232

Gravesend
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
McDonald Playground
2099 McDonald Ave
Brooklyn NY, 11223

Sheepshead Bay
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
Kings Bay Houses
2520 Batchelder (Enter Ave Y)
Brooklyn NY, 11235

Sea Gate
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
Sea Gate Association
SGA Parking Lot
3700 Surf Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11224

Brownsville
Mon–Sun, Jan. 25–31, 8a–7p
NYCHA Van Dyke I
Empty Lot Opposite Van Dyke
Community Center
384 Blake Ave.
Brooklyn, NY 11212

City Line
Mon–Fri, Jan. 25–29, 8a–7p
Liberty Avenue Plaza
101st Ave & Drew St,
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Here are the dates and times for NYC Health+Hospitals testing sites for the week of **January 25** to **January 31**. To find additional testing sites around NYC, visit [here](#).

GROUPS ELIGIBLE FOR THE COVID-19 VACCINE AS OF 01/14/2021

New Yorkers age 65 or older are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine!

New Yorkers age 65 or older can now schedule an appointment to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. **To learn more or to find out where to get vaccinated, visit nyc.gov/vaccinefinder.**

To make an appointment at an NYC Health Department or NYC Health + Hospitals site, eligible New Yorkers can call 877-VAX4NYC.

The following groups are also currently eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine:

- ✔ **Health care workers and staff with direct patient contact**
- ✔ **Dentists and staff**
- ✔ **Pharmacists and pharmacy aids**
- ✔ **Residents and staff in group living facilities**
- ✔ **Teachers, education and child care workers, and in-person college instructors**
- ✔ **First responders**
- ✔ **Public safety workers**
- ✔ **Public transit workers**
- ✔ **Corrections officers**
- ✔ **Individuals living or working in a homeless shelter**
- ✔ **Public-facing grocery store workers**



For a list of all eligible groups, visit nyc.gov/covidvaccinedistribution.



See the list above to determine if you are part of an eligible group. To learn more and find out where you can get vaccinated click [here](#).

DON'T FORGET YOUR MASK



Leaving home?

**Don't forget
your mask!**



MUTUAL AID NYC FOOD RESOURCES

MUTUAL AID NYC HOTLINE

Call the Mutual Aid NYC hotline during the times listed below for information about food resources, grocery delivery and other services in your neighborhood and beyond. The hotline is free, open to everyone and is available in 11 languages, including English.

Monday - Thursday: 2 PM - 8 PM Friday: 2 PM - 5 PM

ESPAÑOL

Llame a la línea telefónica de Ayuda Mútua NYC en los horarios listados más abajo para información relacionada con comida, entrega de la compra a domicilio y otros servicios en su barrio y otros barrios. La línea telefónica es gratuita, abierta a todo el mundo, y disponible en 11 idiomas, incluyendo Inglés y Español.

Lunes-Jueves: 2PM - 8PM Viernes: 2PM - 5PM

普通话

在下面列出的时间内，拨打纽约互助热线，以获取有关您附近及其他地区的食物资源，杂货配送和其他服务的信息。该热线是免费的，向所有人开放，并以11种语言提供，包括英语和中文。

星期一 - 星期四: 2 PM - 8 PM 星期五: 2 PM - 5 PM

বাংলা

দয়া করে মিউচুয়াল এইড NYC হটলাইনে ফোন করুন নিম্নলিখিত নির্দিষ্ট সময়গুলোতে আরও জানতে খাদ্য সম্পদ, মুদি সরবরাহ (গ্রোসারি ডেলিভারি) এবং অন্যান্য সেবার বিষয় যেগুলো আপনার পাড়ায় উপলব্ধ। এই হটলাইনটি সকলের জন্যে এগারোটি ভাষায় বিনামূল্যে প্রস্তুত (ইংরেজি এবং বাংলায়)।

সোম - বৃহস্পতিবার: ২ - ৮ p.m. শুক্রবার: ২ - ৫ p.m.

FRANÇAIS

Appeler la Mutual Aid NYC directe ligne durant les temps listés en dessous pour les informations concernant les ressources alimentaires, pour la livraison de vos condiments et autres besoins dans votre quartier ou en dehors. La ligne directe est gratuite, ouverte à toute personne et disponible dans 11 différentes langues en plus du français.

Lundi - Jeudi: 14h - 20h Vendredi: 14h - 17h

العربية

خلال الساعات المدرجة أدناه لتجد NYC اتصل بخط ساخن ميوتشوال أيد المعلومات عن الموارد الغذائية وخدمات توصيل منتجات البقالة والخدمات الأخرى في حيك والأحياء الأخرى. هذا الخط الساخن مجاني ومفتوح للجميع ومتاح بـ 11 لغة بما في ذلك اللغة الإنجليزية و لغتك الإثنى حتى الخميس: 2م-8م الجمعة: 2م-5م

CREOLE

Rele Mutual Aid NYC liy dirèk pandan tan ki nan lis anba a pou enfòmasyon sou resous manje, livrezon makèt ak lòt sèvis nan katye ou ak apre. Liy dirèk la gratis, louvri pou tout moun epi li disponib nan onz lang, ki gen ladan angle ak kreyòl.

Lendi jiska jedi: dezè nan apremidi jiska uitè di swa Vandredi: dezè nan apremidi jiska senkè di swa

हिन्दी

अपने इलाके में फूड बैंक या राशन की डेलिवरी जैसी सेवाओं की जानकारी के लिए नीचे दिए गए समय पर म्यूचुअल एड NYC को फोन करें। यह हॉटलाइन आपकी सेवा के लिए है और अंग्रेजी और हिंदी के अलावा, 11 और भाषाओं में मौजूद है।

सोमवार - गुरुवार: 2 - 8 PM शुक्रवार: 2 - 5 PM

한국어

생필품 및 기타 서비스에 대한 정보를 원하시는 경우, 하단에 표기된 시간에 맞추어 Mutual Aid NYC 핫라인에 연락하여 주시기 바랍니다. 모든 서비스는 무료로 제공되며, 누구나 사용 가능합니다. 서비스는 영어 및 한국어를 포함하여 11개국 언어로 제공됩니다.

월요일 - 목요일: 오후 2시 - 오후 8시 / 금요일: 오후 2시 - 오후 5시

РУССКИЙ

Позвоните по телефону горячей линии Mutual Aid NYC в указанное ниже время для получения информации о продовольственных ресурсах, доставке продуктов и других услугах в вашем районе и за его пределами. Горячая линия бесплатна, открыта для всех и доступна на 11 языках, включая английский и русский.

Понедельник - четверг: 14:00 - 20:00 Пятница: 14:00 - 17:00.

اردو

کھانے پینے کے وسائل، راشن (گروسری) کی فراہمی اور اپنے پڑوس اور اس سے باہر کی دیگر خدمات کے بارے میں معلومات حاصل کرنے کے لیے نیچے دئے گئے اوقات کے دوران باہمی امداد ہاٹ لائن پر کال کریں۔ ہاٹ لائن ہر ایک کے لئے مفت ہے اور انگریزی اور اردو سمیت 11 زبانوں میں دستیاب ہے۔

پیر تا جمعرات: ۲ سے شام ۸ بجے تک، جمعہ: ۲ سے شام ۵ بجے تک

646-437-8080

For more information, languages & hours, visit
MUTUALAID.NYC/I-NEED-HELP

**MUTUAL
AID NYC**

Mutual Aid NYC is providing food assistance, resources, and other services. To get more information call their hotline at which you can call at **646-437-8080**.

NYC SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCE NETWORK

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SMALL BUSINESS
RESOURCE NETWORK

Are you a small business?
We are here to help you.

YOUR ONE-STOP SHOP FOR RECOVERY SUPPORT

Get access to valuable resources through **Small Business Support Specialists** in your borough



FINANCIAL
GUIDANCE



MARKETING
EXPERTISE



TECHNOLOGY
SUPPORT



LEGAL
COUNSEL



BUSINESS
COACHING

SIGN UP — HERE IS HOW IT WORKS

1



Sign up by submitting
your business profile

2



You will be assigned a Small
Business Support Specialist
through your local Chamber
of Commerce

3



Work with your
Specialist to assess your
business needs

4



Get personalized guidance
and access to resources for
your business

5 BOROUGHS. 1 RESOURCE NETWORK.

Our public-private partnership came together to offer meaningful assistance to small business owners through the city's corporate, financial, and professional service sectors, as well as universities, philanthropists, and expert volunteers.



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The **NYC Small Business Resource Network** is a unique private/public partnership that provides our local businesses with the free, personalized guidance they need right now to survive the pandemic. If you have a small business, you can sign up for this network today.

Once you fill out the **brief intake form**, you will be matched with a business support specialist. Through this program, all five borough **Chambers of Commerce** have specialists offering one-on-one support to businesses in their boroughs.

The program is funded by a \$2.8 million grant from the New York City-based Peter G. Peterson Foundation and supported by in-kind contributions from other partners, this collaboration, led by the **Partnership for New York City**, the **NYC Economic Development Corporation** and all five **Chambers of Commerce**, leverages the city's corporate, financial and professional services sectors, as well as universities, philanthropies and expert volunteers to help small business owners gain access to a range of programs and services.

COVID-19 CLUSTER ZONE REMINDERS

RED ZONE

RED ZONE: MICRO-CLUSTER

**RESIDENTIAL/
NON-RESIDENTIAL
GATHERINGS**

Prohibited

HOUSES OF WORSHIP

Lesser of 25% of maximum capacity or 10 people

BUSINESSES

Non-essential businesses are closed

DINING

Takeout or delivery only

SCHOOLS

Closed – remote learning only

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ORANGE ZONE

ORANGE ZONE: WARNING

**RESIDENTIAL/
NON-RESIDENTIAL
GATHERINGS**

10 people maximum, indoors and outdoors

HOUSES OF WORSHIP

Lesser of 33% of maximum capacity or 25 people

BUSINESSES

High-risk non-essential businesses (ex. gyms, hair salons, barbershops) are closed

DINING

Outdoor dining (4 people maximum per table), takeout and delivery are permitted

SCHOOLS

Closed – remote learning only

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YELLOW ZONE

YELLOW ZONE: PRECAUTIONARY

RESIDENTIAL GATHERINGS 10 people maximum, indoors and outdoors

NON-RESIDENTIAL GATHERINGS 25 people maximum, indoors and outdoors

HOUSES OF WORSHIP 50% of maximum capacity

BUSINESSES Open

DINING Indoor and outdoor dining (4 people maximum per table), delivery and takeout are permitted

SCHOOLS Open – 20% weekly testing of in-person students and faculty is required

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COVID-19 RAPID TESTING BROOKLYN LOCATIONS

ACPNY HOT SPOT RAPID TESTING: BROOKLYN APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED

<i>Location</i>	<i>Hours</i>
Kings Highway 3245 Nostrand Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11229	Monday-Friday 9am - 4pm
Bay Ridge 740 64th St., Brooklyn, NY 11220	Wednesday/Friday 9am - 4pm
Flatbush 1000 Church Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11218	Monday-Friday 9am - 4pm

Schedule Virtual Visit Screenings in Two Ways:

Option 1 (Existing and All New Patients): Patient calls dedicated COVID-19 screening and testing hotline (866) 749-2660

Option 2 (Existing patients only): Patient schedules COVID-19 virtual visit screening on myACPNY patient portal.

After a virtual screening, patient is scheduled for a testing appointment at their convenience at testing location.

Results are communicated back to patient by ACPNY provider.

STOP THE SPREAD

Protect your community from COVID-19



Everyone must do their part.

- **Stay home if you do not feel well.**
- **Participate in temperature checks and symptom screenings when entering public spaces.**
- **Wear face coverings when not at home.**
- **When with people who do not live in your household, keep 6 feet between you and others.**
- **Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds each time.**

If you or a loved one have been near someone who has COVID-19, here's what to do:

- **Do not leave your home**, except to get medical care. Avoid taking buses, subways, and taxis.
- **Separate from other people in your home as much as possible.** You should stay in a specific "sick room" if possible.
- Do not share household items.
- Use a separate bathroom, if possible. If you share a bathroom, clean and disinfect after using it.
- Don't touch pets.
- Don't cook food and serve it to others.
- Avoid caring for children **and older adults, if possible.**

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

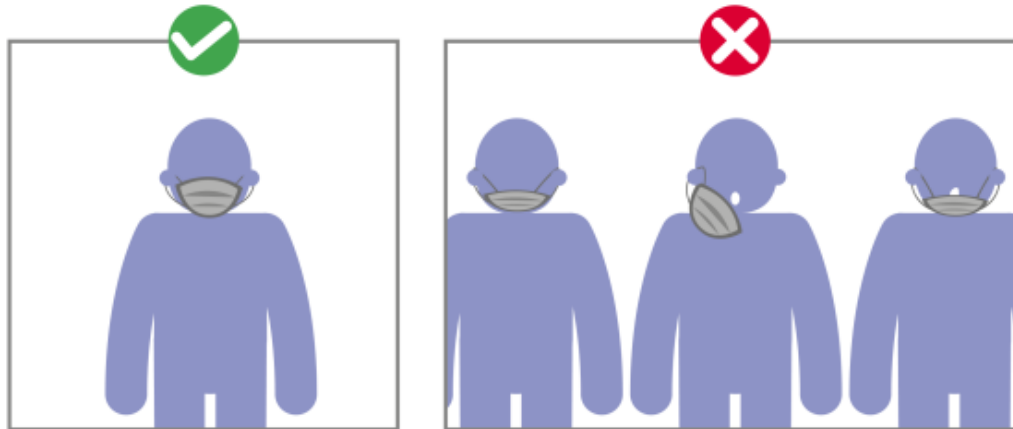
- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

*This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning.

Stay up to date www.health.ny.gov/coronavirus

WEARING FACE COVERINGS

Face Masks and Coverings for COVID-19



- You must wear a face mask or face covering in public when social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart) is not possible, unless a face covering is not medically tolerated. This includes on public transport, in stores and on crowded sidewalks.
- Children over 2 years of age should wear a face mask in public, too. Children under 2 years of age should NOT wear face coverings for safety reasons.
- Cloth face coverings should be made from fabric you can't see through when held up to the light. They must be cleaned before reusing.
- Disposable paper face masks should be used for one outing outside the home. They cannot be properly cleaned.
- The best way to prevent COVID-19 is to continue social distancing (staying at least 6 feet away from others), **even when wearing a face covering.**

Putting On Face Covering

- **DO** clean your hands with soap and water or if that's not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizer, before putting on your face covering.
- Make sure the face covering covers both your nose and mouth.
- **DON'T** wear your mask hanging under your nose or mouth or around your neck. You won't get the protection you need.
- **DON'T** wear the face covering on top of your head, or take it off and on repeatedly. Once it is in place, leave the covering in place until you are no longer in public.

Taking Off Face Covering

- **DO** clean your hands with soap and water or if that's not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizer, before taking off your face covering.
- Remove your mask only touching the straps.
- Discard the face covering if it is disposable. If you are reusing (cloth), place it in a paper bag or plastic bag for later.
- Wash your hands again.
- When cleaning a cloth face covering, **DO** put in the washer (preferably on the hot water setting).
- Dry in dryer at high heat. When it is clean and dry, place in a clean paper or plastic bag for later use. If you live in a household with many people, you might want to label the bags with names so the face coverings are not mixed up.

AVOID SCAMS



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- Notify NYC: Beware of COVID-19 scams!
- Report **price gouging** to 311 or [NYC.gov/dcwp](https://www.nyc.gov/dcwp). You can also file a complaint to the Attorney General's office by filling out a [complaint form](#).
- **NYS Price Gouging Hotline:** 800-697-1220.
- CDC staff will **NOT** go door-to-door. If you experience this, call 911.

SERVICES AND RESOURCES



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Due to the impact of COVID-19 on New York City's workforce, the City of New York has developed a list of resources for those who may be unemployed due to COVID-19 or are seeking additional assistance. The list below will be updated frequently.

It has information on the following categories:

- **Employment Resources**
- **Food Assistance**
- **Health & Medical Assistance**
- **Financial Assistance**
- **Rent Arrears and Public Assistance**
- **Emotional Support & Spiritual Care**
- **Other Assistance**

Visit this [website](#) for resources.

NYS Department of Health Hotline for people who want to be assessed and get appointment for test ([888-364-3065](tel:888-364-3065)). NYC residents should call ([844-692-4692](tel:844-692-4692)).

Volunteer to Support

Others: https://www1.nyc.gov/site/helpnownyc/resources/covid-19-relief.page#healthcare_workers.

Free Internet Services:

Charter is offering free spectrum broadband and WiFi access for 60 days to household with K-12 and/or college students who do not already have Spectrum broadband subscription. To enroll, **call [844-488-8395](tel:844-488-8395)**. Until further notice, all Xfinity WiFi Public Hotspots are now open to everyone on the "xfinitywifi" SSID. For more information visit [here](#).

In-District Businesses open/closed provided by **Flatbush Avenue BID and Church Avenue BID**: Visit Flatbush Avenue Business Directory [here](#) and Church Avenue Business directory [here](#). Businesses open/closed list provided by **Flatbush Development Corporation**: Visit Flatbush Business Corridor Directory [here](#). Includes businesses located in:

- Cortelyou Road (Coney Island Ave. - Ocean Ave.)
- Coney Island Avenue (Cortelyou Road - Foster Ave.)
- Newkirk Plaza
- Newkirk Avenue (Coney Island Ave. - Ocean Ave.)
- Foster Avenue (Coney Island Ave. - Ocean Ave.)
- Ditmas Park

Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte represents the 42nd Assembly District in Brooklyn covering Ditmas Park, Flatbush, East Flatbush and Midwood. She is currently the **Chair of the Subcommittee on Oversight of Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBES)**, and serves on the following committees: **Housing, Government Operations, Education, Banks, Health, and**

Higher Education. She is also a member of the Task Force on Women's Issues and sits on **Governor Cuomo's Domestic Violence Advisory Council and Mayor De Blasio's MWBE Task Force.**

As a current Assemblymember, District Leader, and Chair of Brooklyn Democratic Party, Rodneyse Bichotte has been an outspoken advocate on issues concerning **immigration, education, economic development, unemployment, education reform, health care access, senior citizen centers, affordable housing, school safety, women's and LGBTQ rights**, as well as other issues affecting the quality of life in the community.

Learn more about
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