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Charles D. Fall
Assembly District 61

Weekly Report from Assemblyman Charles D. Fall
March 17, 2022



NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY
CHARLES FALL
61ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR A

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP

Litter Removal | Garden Beautification

WHEN: CLEANUP - Sunday March 20, 2022 8:00AM-10:00AM
WHERE: Richmond Terrace & Jersey Street
Staten Island, NY 10301

Masks, Gloves and Hand Sanitizer Provided
RSVP: Parnelj@nyassembly.gov or 718-442-9932





Updates from Albany

This week the NYS Assembly released the Assembly's State Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Budget Proposal of \$226.4 billion.

- The Assembly's spending plan aims to support New York's families as we move out of a two-year pandemic with unprecedented investments in childcare, universal prekindergarten, rent relief and home ownership, and sustainable living wages for our essential state health care workers.
- The proposed spending is \$7.9 billion or 3.6 percent higher than the Executive Budget proposal. Some of the highlighted summary:

Education

The proposal provides \$30.9 billion in funding to General Support for Public Schools (GSPS), an increase of \$2.1 billion or seven percent, over the 2021-22 school year (SY), maintaining the Assembly Majority's commitment to ensuring every child has access to a high-quality education.

The Assembly's proposed spending plan would increase Foundation Aid by \$1.5 billion and would fully phase in Foundation Aid by the 2023-24 SY.

The budget also includes \$150 million for Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK), of which \$125 million would be used to support new statewide universal full-day pre-kindergarten programs paying \$10,000 per four-year old.

Fair Pay

This spending plan would give state workers in New York's health and mental hygiene sectors permanent raises to help retain and grow our workforce and give them the wages they deserve for their hard work.

Under the proposal, direct care service providers from the Office of People With Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), Office of Mental Health (OMH), Office of Addiction Services and Supports (OASAS), Office for the Aging (SOFA), Office of Temporary and Disability Services (OTDA), and Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) would receive an 11 percent cost of living adjustment (COLA).

Housing

This budget proposal helps fight homelessness and keep New Yorkers that have struggled financially during the pandemic their homes.

The Assembly makes critical investments in rent and homeownership relief including:

- \$1.25 billion for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP);
- \$500 million for a utility arrears program, to be administered by the Public Service Commission; and
- \$400 million for the Landlord Rental Assistance Program (LRAP).

An additional \$250 million would establish the Housing Access Voucher Program (HVAP) to help individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness to secure permanent housing and transition out of shelters or unsustainable housing situations. The budget also includes \$500 million for New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) capital repairs.

The plan adds \$1.7 billion to the five-year affordable housing capital plan, for a total of \$6.2 billion. Within that funding, the Assembly's spending plan includes \$1.35 billion to fund a new Assembly homeownership program.

Higher Education

This spending plan makes investments to ensure higher education is accessible for all New York students by funding the State University of New York (SUNY) and City University of New

York's (CUNY) world class educational programs and providing \$215 million for opportunity programs.

The SFY 2022-23 Assembly Budget includes \$48.8 million to SUNY and \$59.6 million to CUNY to fully reimburse each system and eliminate the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) gap.

It also provides \$1.63 billion in expansion capital for both SUNY and CUNY for a five-year capital plan, an increase of \$1.2 billion over the executive proposal, and makes an additional investment of \$200 million in state operating support funds each for SUNY and CUNY.

The Assembly provides \$204 million to increase the maximum TAP award by \$1,405, bringing it from \$5,665 to \$7,070 over the next two years so that the maximum TAP award matches SUNY's tuition. Additionally, the Assembly will raise the minimum TAP award from \$500 to \$1,000.

Economic Development

The Assembly invests in programs that support our small businesses, encourage innovation and help rebuild New York's economy.

The plan includes a second round of \$25 million for the Restaurant Resiliency Grant program to help New York's restaurants continue to recover and rebuild, as well as \$231.4 million for the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) to help theaters and museums which were hit especially hard by the pandemic to recover.

The Assembly also provides \$300 million in state funding to ensure access to high-speed internet across the state for a total of \$1.4 billion when combined with \$1.1 billion in federal funding.

Transportation

The Assembly State Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget will invest \$14 billion in the state's transportation network, including a \$436 million increase in funding for the Department of Transportation's (DOT) five year capital plan for a total of \$33.2, and \$6.17 billion in transit assistance to the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA). These investments in our transportation infrastructure are also investments in our economy and will provide jobs for hardworking New Yorkers.

Mental Health and Addiction Services

For many people, the COVID-19 pandemic has caused uncertainty, financial strain and social isolation. This budget includes critical investments to improve access to mental health and substance use disorder services, including \$50 million in capital funds for municipal and nonprofit organizations to increase capacity and expand mental health and substance use disorder services. The proposal also provides \$65 million to support current community-based residential programs to assist in preserving access to housing for individuals in recovery, and \$5 million for Crisis Intervention Teams.

There is a \$53 million increase for children's mental health programs operated by OMH, including \$7.5 million in funding for residential treatment facilities (RTFs) for children, and \$10 million to expand children's community-based mental health services and integrate mental health services into pediatric primary care under the HealthSteps program. Other investments for children include \$100 million over two years for the Recover from COVID Schools Program (RECOVS), and an additional \$40 million for more mental health grants for schools.

Other mental health investments include \$29.8 million each for both SUNY and CUNY mental health services.

Disruptions to daily life combined with increased stress and reduced access to in person services caused by the COVID-19 pandemic has led to a sharp spike in substance use disorders. The Assembly's proposed budget appropriates \$265.9 million from the Opioid Settlement Fund to expand access to critical addiction services.

Health

The Assembly budget would make critical health investments that protect vulnerable individuals, including undocumented immigrants, pregnant and postpartum women, children and the elderly and disabled New Yorkers.

It includes a new \$345 million appropriation to include coverage for undocumented immigrants under the Essential Plan.

It also provides an additional \$1 billion for safety net (\$750 million) and major public (\$250 million) hospitals.

The proposal prioritizes the health and wellness of pregnant women and new mothers by investing \$1.5 million to restore funding for the Nurse-Family Partnership program. It would expand prenatal and postpartum care and services under the Medicaid program and expand postpartum Medicaid coverage to one year following a pregnancy, regardless of immigration status.

Criminal Justice Reforms

The budget proposal includes critical funding for pretrial services that offer mental health treatment and other alternatives to incarceration, as well as funding for programs across the state to fight gun violence. It includes \$15 million in funding to help justice system involved New Yorkers access pretrial services, including job placement programs, drug treatment and counseling services. The budget also provides \$50 million for municipal and nonprofit organizations to increase capacity and an expansion of ATI, mental health and substance use disorder treatment programs. Also included is an additional \$19 million in critical investments to fight gun violence. An additional \$212.5 million in funding is dedicated to the Office of Indigent Legal Services, to provide increased representation to individuals who are entitled to counsel in court matters and are financially unable to obtain representation.

Environmental Protection

The Assembly Budget makes a significant investment in our environment. The plan increases funding for the Environmental Bond Act of 2022 by \$2 billion to be allocated for climate change related purposes, including:

- \$500 million for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects at state-owned buildings;
- \$450 million for climate adaptation and mitigation projects, including for land acquisition and wetland protection;
- \$300 million to combat air pollution in environmental justice communities;
- \$250 million to combat water pollution in environmental justice communities;
- \$200 million to combat the urban heat island effect;
- \$150 million for open space conservation;
- \$100 million for farmland protection easements; and
- \$50 million for urban forest and habitat restoration projects.

The Assembly's proposal also allocates \$400 million for the state Environmental Protection Fund (EPF), an increase of \$100 million over last year's funding.

In addition to other funding supporting clean water initiatives in the proposed budget, the Assembly allocates \$500 million for clean water infrastructure.

Each house of the Legislature will now have to negotiate and pass their respective resolutions and then work with the Governor's office to pass and enact the official 2022-23 Budget by April 1, 2022.

If you would like to review in detail the Assembly One House Budget Proposal click on this link.

<https://nyassembly.gov/Reports/WAM/AssemblyBudgetProposal/2022/>

Critical Updates, New Policies, and Testing Locations to Protect You and Your Community

1. **Governor Kathy Hochul has announced the Environmental Facilities Corporation Board of Directors approved \$41 million in funding that includes low-cost loans and previously awarded grants, enabling the recipients to access these loan and grant funds and move their water and sewer infrastructure projects forward.** The Board also approved an \$879 million leveraged bond financing to provide capital for various wastewater and drinking water projects for the New York City Municipal Water Finance

Authority (NYCMWFA) and to refund certain prior bonds. Refunding bond sales deliver additional savings for EFC's municipal partners by refinancing the original bonds that funded their projects at an even lower interest rate. The transaction is estimated to save \$18 million for New York City ratepayers over the next 10 years.

2. **[Governor Kathy Hochul today announced that \\$17.3 million in state funding was awarded to six projects in four counties that will provide emergency and permanent supportive housing to New Yorkers experiencing homelessness.](#)** Supported through the State's Homeless Housing and Assistance Program, these projects include emergency shelter repairs and developments that will create or preserve an additional 120 units serving veterans, survivors of domestic violence, individuals with a history of substance use disorder, and those suffering from serious mental illness.
3. **[Governor Hochul announced that the statewide indoor business mask-or-vaccine requirement have been lifted as of Thursday, February, 10, and will remain optional for businesses, local governments and counties to enforce.](#)** This protocol, a temporary measure implemented on December 10 as statewide cases spiked, was an effective tool to address the winter surge and the rise of the Omicron variant. With case counts plummeting and hospitalizations sharply declining, this temporary measure is no longer needed statewide. Counties, cities, and businesses will be able to opt into the mask-or-vaccine requirement if they so choose. **View Governor Hochul's Presentation [Here](#)**
4. **[Governor Kathy Hochul today announced more than \\$64 million in federal funding to help struggling New Yorkers with children, multi-generational households, and survivors of domestic violence with their expenses amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.](#)** Administered through the state Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance and the state Office for the Prevention of Domestic Violence, the Pandemic Emergency Assistance Fund will provide one-time payments to help with the cost of diapers for struggling families, cover food expenses for households with both children and older adults, and provide crucial housing and relocation assistance for survivors of domestic violence.

Crucial Resources to Support and Aid Your Everyday Needs

1. **The NYS Homeowner Assistance Fund is available now. You may be eligible for up to \$50,000 in financial assistance.**

New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund

First come, first serve
Apply Now!



You may be eligible for up to \$50,000 in financial assistance.
Visit: nyhomeownerfund.org
Call: 1-844-776-9423

Apply Now if you are:

- Behind or in forbearance on your mortgage.
- In default on a reverse mortgage.
- Behind on property taxes, water, or sewage bills
- Behind or in forbearance on your mortgage.
- Behind on monthly maintenance charges of your co-op or condo.
- Behind on your chattel loans, retail installment contracts, or other types of home purchase loans and/or lot rent.



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2. Important: The NYS Department of Labor will mail 1099-G tax forms to all Excluded Workers Fund (EWF) recipients to the address listed on their EWF application. The information from this form must be included in tax filings for the 2021 calendar year. As you may know, payments from the EWF are considered taxable income. Although payments were mailed with state taxes already taken out, they may still be subject to federal income tax. [For more information click here.](#)



3. **Our children have faced many challenges throughout the pandemic. Now they're back at school and being asked to return to normalcy, but this school year is anything but normal. That's why the UFT's Positive Learning Collaborative (PLC) is offering free, confidential mental health sessions to students and to parents calling on their children's behalf. Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 8:30 A.M. to 12 P.M. Saturday: 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Call 212-709-3222 or Text "PLC" to 43961**

4. **What is HEAP?** The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helps low-income people pay the cost of heating their homes. **How does it work?** If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per season and could also be eligible for an emergency HEAP benefit if you are in impending danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off. **Are HEAP benefits available year-round?** No, the application period normally begins in early to mid-November and continues into the winter, until funding for the program runs out.

5. Free SNAP Assistance - See the flyer below



Free SNAP (Food Stamps) Assistance

ASISTENCIA GRATUITA DE SNAP (Cupones de alimentos)

MetroPlus Health
Staten Island Community Office
238A Port Richmond Ave.
Staten Island, NY 10302

SNAP enroller is on site **2 DAYS a week**.
Check below for our hours!

*Los especialistas de SNAP estan disponible los
2 dias a la semana. ¡Revisa a continuación
nuestros horarios y ubicaciones!*

Day & Time <i>Día y Hora</i>	Location <i>Ubicacion</i>	SNAP Enroller <i>Especialista de SNAP</i>	How to Schedule <i>Como Programar</i>
Tues, Wed <i>Martes, Miercoles</i> 9:00am – 4:30pm	In Office <i>En la Oficina</i>	Florence Lanipekun	Walk-in or call <i>Orden de Llegada o</i> Llamar al 929-270-2181
Mon, Thurs, Fri <i>Lunes,</i> <i>Jueves, Viernes</i> 9:00am – 4:30pm	Virtual Services (Remote) <i>Servicios Virtuales</i> (Remoto)	Florence Lanipekun	Call <i>Llamar al</i> 929-270-2181

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SNAP...Putting Healthy Food Within Reach. Visit www.mybenefits.ny.gov to check your eligibility. This material was funded by
USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - SNAP.
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You can also scan to contact
us from our website.

6. It's important to submit an SBA Loan Application - After you apply for disaster assistance from FEMA, you may be referred to the U.S. Small Business Administration. If you are referred to SBA, you should complete and submit the application. If your application is approved, you are not obligated to accept the SBA disaster loan but failure to submit the application may disqualify you from other possible FEMA assistance, such as disaster-related car repairs, essential household items and other expenses. SBA disaster loans are the largest source of federal disaster recovery funds for survivors. In planning your recovery, give yourself the widest possible set of options. Submitting the application makes it possible for homeowners and renters to be considered for additional FEMA grants. Applicants may apply online using SBA's secure website at DisasterLoanAssistance.sba.gov or they may email DisasterCustomerService@SBA.gov for more information on SBA's disaster assistance program. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at **800-659-2955** or email

disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance.

7. **If you're a renter having trouble paying your rent, utilities, or other housing costs – or if you're a landlord trying to stay afloat with tenants in this situation – help may be available. State and local programs are distributing billions of dollars in rental assistance to help renters stay housed during the pandemic. [Visit the CFPB's Rental Assistance Finder](#) to find out what this means for you and what you can do. The CFPB's site also includes resources to help renters and landlords understand other resources to help navigate various financial hardships related to the pandemic.**

8. **Staten Island Legal Services wants to help you. If you need free legal help during the COVID-19 crisis, for matters of immigration, foreclosure, small business advice, and more, call them at 718-233-6480.**



DO YOU NEED FREE LEGAL HELP DURING THE COVID-19 CRISIS?

Staten Island Legal Services is here to help you and your family get through this together.

- Unemployment Benefits & Employment Issues
- Food Stamps (SNAP), Public Assistance, Medicaid
- Eviction/Illegal Lockouts
- Mortgage Relief & Foreclosure Prevention
- Small Business Advice
- Immigration
- Bankruptcy and Consumer Help
- Student Loan and Debt Collection
- Domestic Violence, Orders of Protection, & Child Support
- Education
- LGBTQ/HIV+

CALL STATEN ISLAND LEGAL SERVICES

Monday - Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
We speak your language and serve all 5 boroughs of NYC.

718-233-6480

 legalservicesnyc.org

FORECLOSURE PREVENTION NETWORK



Legal Services NYC **DEMAND JUSTICE**

Since 2007, Legal Services NYC's Foreclosure Prevention Network has assisted nearly 17,000 New York City homeowners facing foreclosure. With community-based foreclosure prevention projects in our Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island offices, our dedicated team of nearly 40 attorneys and advocates provide critical legal services to homeowners navigating the judicial foreclosure process and fight to help them save their homes. LSNYC Foreclosure Prevention Network partners include non-profit organizations, housing counselors, social service agencies and local government. Our advocates conduct trainings, outreach and education activities in conjunction with community and government partners.

WHAT WE DO

Legal Services NYC's Foreclosure Prevention Network attorneys represent homeowners in foreclosure as well as in state and federal court litigation challenging predatory lending, abusive mortgage servicing, scams targeting vulnerable homeowners, and fair housing and lending violations. We are the largest group of free civil legal services attorneys that help NYC homeowners by:

- Representing homeowners in court-mandated settlement conferences
- Providing legal advice and pro se assistance to homeowners through court-based clinics
- Helping clients negotiate home-saving solutions
- Advocating for fairer lending rules, and for better enforcement of laws protecting consumers from predatory practices

CLIENT SUCCESS STORY

Ms. M, a 68-year-old Black homeowner, fell one month behind on her mortgage when she had to pay for her sister's funeral expenses. For one year, her mortgage company continued to accept her payments, but then her servicing was transferred to a new company. The new mortgage company refused to accept Ms. M's payments unless she could catch up on the one missed payment. For three years, Ms. M tried to negotiate with her lender, but it refused to work with her even though she had sufficient income and was caring for her husband, who suffered from Alzheimer's disease. After being sued in foreclosure, Ms. M was able to connect with Brooklyn Legal Services, who helped her negotiate a modification with a lower interest rate and more affordable monthly payment, saving her \$300 per month on her housing expenses and allowing her family to remain in their home.

CONTACT US

Homeowners can talk to an LSNYC foreclosure advocate by contacting our citywide access line at 917-661-4500. For more information about our services, you can reach our leadership team, listed below.

Citywide: Jacob Inwald
Citywide Director of Foreclosure Prevention
jinwald@lsnyc.org

Bronx: Alexis Lorenzo
Director, Bronx Foreclosure Prevention/Community Economic Development Unit
alorenzo@lsnyc.org

Brooklyn: Shabnam Faruki
Interim Director, Brooklyn Foreclosure Prevention Project
shfaruki@lsnyc.org

Queens: Christopher Newton
Acting Director, Queens Homeowner and Consumer Rights Project
chrnewt@lsnyc.org

Staten Island: Sara Manough
Director, Staten Island Homeowner Defense Project
smanough@lsnyc.org

CONTACT US FOR FREE LEGAL HELP AT 917-661-4500

9. Project Hospitality provides a wide range of services to our communities. From vaccinations to mental health guidance to help applying for rental assistance. See flyers below for more information.

Need to talk?



NY Project Hope
Coping with COVID

Feeling uncertain, overwhelmed, anxious during COVID?



Here to talk | Here to listen | Here to support

We provide . . .

- Information
- Education
- Emotional support
- Links to resources

We can provide virtual presentations on:

- Recognizing common reactions to COVID
- Building coping skills for the recovery process
- Managing COVID-related stress
- Identifying and meeting children's needs

Contact Us!
(718)608-7900
HOPE@ProjectHospitality.org

We are here for YOU.

Free, anonymous & confidential

A program of the NYS Office of Mental Health
Funded by FEMA

Necesitas hablar?



NY Project Hope
Coping with COVID

Te sientes incierto, agobiado, ansioso durante COVID?

Aquí para hablar | Aquí para escuchar | Aquí para apoyar

Nosotros Proporcionamos...

- Información
- Educación
- Apoyo emocional
- Enlaces a recursos

Proporcionamos presentaciones virtuales sobre:

- Reconociendo las reacciones comunes de COVID
- Desarrollando habilidades de afrontamiento para el proceso de recuperación
- Manejando estrés relacionada con COVID
- Identificando y satisfaciendo las necesidades de los niños

¡Contáctanos Hoy!
718-608-7900
HOPE@ProjectHospitality.org

Estamos aquí para USTED.

Gratis, anónimo y confidencial

A program of the NYS Office of Mental Health
Funded by FEMA

New York State Emergency Rental Assistance Program

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program assists households behind on their rent that have experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19 and are at risk of homelessness or housing instability. In addition, the program can provide temporary rental assistance and assistance with unpaid utility bills.

DO I QUALIFY?
Eligible residents must meet the following criteria:

- Household gross income at or below 80 percent of area median income, which varies by county and household size.
- A member of the household received unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in income, incurred significant costs or experienced financial hardship, directly or indirectly, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The applicant owes past due rent at their current residence.

HOW DOES IT WORK?
This assistance can pay up to 12 months of past due rent and for some households, pay up to 3 months for future rent. The program can also pay for up to 12 months of overdue electric or gas bills. Please note, payments will always be issued directly to the landlord or utility provider.

HOW CAN I APPLY?
Applications can be submitted online beginning June 1.

For more information, visit otda.ny.gov/ERAP or call 844-NY1RENT (844-691-7368)


 Call 929-724-5360 or email erap@projecthospitality.org for assistance submitting your application from one of Project Hospitality's ERAP enrollers.

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New York State Emergency Rental Assistance Program

El Programa de Asistencia para Alquileres de Emergencia ayuda a las familias atrasadas en el pago del alquiler que han sufrido dificultades financieras debido a la COVID-19 y están en riesgo de quedarse en la calle o de padecer inestabilidad por la falta de vivienda. Además, el programa puede proporcionar asistencia de alquiler temporal y asistencia para el pago de facturas de servicios públicos vencidas.

¿CALIFICO?
Los residentes aptos para solicitar la asistencia deben cumplir con los siguientes criterios:

- Los ingresos brutos de la familia son iguales o inferiores al 80% del ingreso promedio del área, que varía según el tamaño del condado y de la familia.
- Un miembro de la familia recibió subsidios de desempleo o experimentó una reducción en los ingresos, incurrió en costos significativos o sufrió dificultades financieras, directa o indirectamente, debido a la pandemia de COVID-19.
- El solicitante adeuda alquileres en su residencia actual.

¿CÓMO FUNCIONA?
Esta asistencia puede pagar hasta 12 meses de renta vencida y, para algunas familias, pagar hasta 3 meses de alquileres futuros. El programa también puede pagar hasta 12 meses de facturas de electricidad o gas vencidas. Tenga en cuenta que los pagos siempre se emitirán directamente al propietario o al proveedor de servicios públicos.

¿CÓMO PUEDO SOLICITARLA?
Las solicitudes se pueden enviar en línea a partir del 1 de junio.

Para más información, visite otda.ny.gov/ERAP o llame al 844-NY1RENT (844-691-7368)


 Llame al 929-724-5360 o envíe un correo electrónico a erap@projecthospitality.org para recibir asistencia con la solicitud de un Enrolador de Project Hospitality.

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 **Project Hospitality**
Project Hospitality Help Center Services Are All Available By Phone!

CALL NOW AND LEAVE A MESSAGE WITH YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER AND WE WILL RETURN YOUR CALL.
REACH US AT **718-420-6466** OR **718-448-3470**
FOR HELP WITH SNAP, CALL **347-410-3657**

 Apply for SNAP	 Apply for WIC and Cash Assistance	 Apply for Health Insurance or NYC Care
 Legal Services	 Domestic Violence Services	 Mental Health Services
 Apply for Unemployment	 Food Pantry	 Immigration Help

221 HEBERTON AVENUE, STATEN ISLAND, NY 10302
514 BAY ST. STATEN ISLAND, NY 10304

 **Project Hospitality**
Los servicios del Centro de Ayuda están disponibles por vía Telefónica!

LLAME AHORA Y DEJE UN MENSAJE CON SU NOMBRE Y NÚMERO DE TELÉFONO Y LE DEVOLVEREMOS (A LLAMADA). COMUNIQUESE CON NOSOTROS A LOS NÚMEROS DE TELÉFONO **718-420-6466** O AL **718-448-3470**. PARA OBTENER AYUDA CON SNAP (PROGRAMA DE ASISTENCIA NUTRICIONAL) LLAME AL **347-410-3657**

 Solicitar para SNAP (programa de asistencia nutricional)	 Solicitar WIC y Asistencia en efectivo	 Solicitar un Seguro Medico o NYC Care
 Servicios Legales	 Servicios de Violencia Domestica	 Servicios de Salud Mental
 Solicitud de desempleo	 Dispensa de alimentos	 Ayuda en casos de Inmigracion

221 HEBERTON AVENUE, STATEN ISLAND NY 10302
514 BAY STREET STATEN ISLAND NY 10304

10. The BJ House Community - Mobile Pantry will come right to your door. Every first Wednesday of each month, every Tuesday, and every 3rd Saturday of each month.



BJ HOUSE OF COMMUNITY

MOBILE *Pantry* FOOD

WE COME RIGHT TO YOUR DOOR!



Box contains Fresh Veggies and Fruits

Every 1st Wednesday of each Month
Every Tuesday
Every 3rd Saturday of each Month

TO REGISTER CALL: 718-442-0923
or email baituljamaat@gmail.com
REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE AT
www.baituljamaat.com

11. This robust 6-week community training program informs New Yorkers about NYPD policies, activities, and authorities.

CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY

Apply Today!

This robust 6-week community training program informs New Yorkers about NYPD policies, activities, and authorities.

The curriculum includes:

- Speakers from across the Department
- In-person simulations and scenario-based trainings
- Presentations on subjects like domestic violence, use of force, crisis intervention, etc.

For more info:
Email: CitizensPoliceAcademy@nypd.org
Visit: nyc.gov/CitizensPoliceAcademy
Scan:



NYPD

"This was an awesome experience. To get a glimpse of what officers encounter on a day-to-day basis was truly an eye opener."
2021 CPA Graduate



12. The Y is now offering new rounds of FREE lifeguard training and certification this spring, including at the Broadway Y. Pre-tests are required for this opportunity and are currently underway, with lots of times and dates at Ys across the city. Experienced swimmers should see [here](#) for details and scheduling.

GET CERTIFIED & GET A JOB

FREE YMCA LIFEGUARD CERTIFICATION
AGES: 16 & UP

STEP 1: REGISTER FOR THE PRE-TEST (FREE)

STEP 2: PASS THE PRE-TEST

The PRE-TEST includes successfully completing all of the following:

- Tread water for 2 minutes.
- Swim 100 yards of front crawl.
- Swim 50 yards each of breast stroke, sidestroke, and elementary backstroke.
- Complete feet-first surface dive and 15 feet underwater swim.
- Perform 60 yard sprint, then surface dive to retrieve object at the bottom of pool and hold at surface treading for 1 minute.
- Perform compressions on an adult manikin and follow directions of the instructor.

STEP 3: UPCOMING LIFEGUARD COURSES

WHEN: Virtual: Mondays, 6-9PM, 2/28 - 4/25 (except 4/18)
In Person: Fridays, 5-8PM, 3/4 - 4/29 (except 4/22)

WHERE: Broadway Y, 651 Broadway, Staten Island

FEE: FREE OF CHARGE

TO REGISTER OR LEARN MORE, SCAN THIS QR CODE
OR CONTACT AQUATICS@YMCANYC.ORG

the Y
YMCA OF GREATER
NEW YORK
Where there's a Y,
there's a way.

13. Small Business Resources:

- [For counseling and help services through SBS click here.](#)
- [Procurement Center Representatives \(PCRs\)](#) help small businesses win federal contracts. PCRs view many federal acquisition and procurement strategies before they're announced. This enables them to influence opportunities that should be set aside for small businesses. PCRs also conduct market research, assist small businesses with payment issues, provide counseling on the contracting process, and more.
- [Subcontracting Program Assistance \(SPA\)](#) can help you with subcontracting questions after a contract is awarded. SPA can help you with tools to match prime contractors and subcontractors, help small businesses market their services to prime contractors, and more.
- **SBA Learning Center.** The SBA offers free online courses to help small businesses understand government contracting. You can find these video classes in the [SBA Learning Center](#).

Useful Events and Opportunities

1. Help support your neighborhood schools - [For more information click here](#)

Interested in Subbing for the NYC DOE?



Help support your neighborhood schools!!!

- \$200 a day! (\$199.27 to be exact)
- This could be your chance to see if teaching is the career for you
- Requirements:
 - Interest and commitment to helping kids and a school
 - Bachelors Degree and authorization to work in the US

For more information: <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/careers/substitute-teaching>

*Please pass this information on to anyone you know who meets the requirements and might be interested.

Lamson Lam can help answer questions and get you nominated. Please reach out him at llam@schools.nyc.gov

2. Put your swimming skill to the ultimate test. Become an NYC Lifeguard – help keep New York’s beaches and pools safe and develop skills that will last a lifetime.



Earn your whistle!

Become an NYC lifeguard.

Help keep New York City's beaches and pools safe and develop skills that will last a lifetime. As a lifeguard, you'll have the chance to:

- Develop job skills
- Become part of a team
- Earn NYC Lifeguard certification and learn CPR, first-aid, and rescue techniques
- Practice your swimming

Lifeguards work five to six days each week, and first-year lifeguards earn a minimum of \$16 an hour, for a weekly salary of about \$800.

HOW TO JOIN

All potential lifeguards must pass the Lifeguard Qualifying Test, a series of vision and swim exams. To qualify, you must:

- Be at least 16 years of age by the start of employment.
- Have at least 20/30 vision in one eye and 20/40 in the other - without corrective lenses. Glasses and contact lenses may not be worn during the eye exam.
- Be able to swim 60 yards in 35 seconds or less, with proper form.

Individuals must be vaccinated to take the qualifying test.

Sign up today at nyc.gov/parks/lifeguards.



3. Metro Plus Health & Phenomenal Women Association Time: 10:00 AM- 4:00 PM



**MetroPlus Health &
Phenomenal Women Association**

PRESENTS

**HEALTH &
BEAUTY
INSIDE
& OUT**

Free community event. Live demonstrations, interactive workshops, wellness screenings, and health & beauty resource expo.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**

**SATURDAY
APRIL 9, 2022**

SNUG HARBOR CULTURAL CENTER
& BOTANICAL GARDENS
STATEN ISLAND, NY







4. **Youth Build Healthcare Worker**



DO YOU WANT TO START A CAREER IN
HEALTHCARE?

YB
YOUTHBUILD
IMPACT

718-273-8414 EXT 255

CONTACT US

FOR MORE INFORMATION
LOG INTO ONE OF THE INFO SESSIONS

EVERY THURSDAY @ 2PM
MEETING ID: 775 6054 3293
PASSCODE: IMPACT

REQUIREMENTS:
Ages 17-24, Out of School,
Out of Work and in need
of a HSE Diploma

www.centralfamilylifecenter.org/youthbuildimpact

5. **Youth Build Construction Worker.**



WANT TO LEARN
CONSTRUCTION?

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THE CENTRAL FAMILY LIFE CENTER IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER AND YOUTHBUILD IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM. AUXILIARY AIDS AND SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. THE IMPACT PROGRAM IS 501(c)(3) AND IS A U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR PROGRAM. OTHER FUNDING IS PROVIDED THROUGH NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES.

6. NYC DOE Job Fair March 24, 2022 The Michael J. Petrides School

NYC Department of Education
Chancellor David C. Banks **Join Our Team!**

Staten Island K-12 New Teacher Job Fair 2022
Hosted by the Staten Island Borough Office

March 24, 2022 - 4:00pm to 6:00pm
The Michael J. Petrides School
715 Ocean Terrace, Staten Island, NY 10301
Borough President's Hall of Science
2nd floor, Building A


Superintendent
Dr. Marlon Wilson

HIRING MANAGERS WILL BE INTERVIEWING ON SITE
Seeking Applicants in the following license areas:

- Bilingual Extensions
- Career and Technical Education Licenses
- ESL
- Foreign Languages
- Math
- Sciences
- Special Education
- Visual Arts and Performing Arts (Dance, Music & Theater)

The New York City Department of Education offers all teachers:

- Competitive Salaries
- New Teacher Supports
- Professional Development Opportunities
- Medical, Dental, Vision, & Prescription Drug Benefits
- Pension and Retirement Benefits
- Tax Deferred Annuity Program
- Employee Discounts
- Loan Forgiveness and Loan Deferral for Eligible Teachers
- Paid Holidays for Many Religious and All Federal Holidays

PLEASE REGISTER AT THE SITE BELOW BY March 22, 2022
All attendees must show proof of vaccine.
<https://statenilandk12teacherfair.eventbrite.com>

 @stahd12 #stisgchess

 Staten Island
Community College


7. **The Forest Ave. Comeunity Fridge is a group from Mariners Harbor looking to help out our community with Food Insecurity.**

@FORESTAVECOMEUNITYFRIDGE

WHO ARE WE?

*We are a collaborative group, born and raised on the North Shore, who are passionate about addressing the health food disparity in our neighborhood of Mariners Harbor. The foundation of our initiative is "take what you need, leave what you don't" and "we keep us fed and healthy!" – in hopes of **creating a culture of unity, interdependence, community restoration and empowerment** in Mariners Harbor.*

WHAT IS A COMMUNITY FRIDGE?

*A Community Fridge is a fridge that provides **free and healthy food** for community members. The fridges offer access to fresh produce, healthy grains and perishable items to communities that do not have a lot of access to healthy food options.*



HOW CAN MY BUSINESS HELP?

Your business can help by donating surplus food to our fridge or allowing us to purchase food at reduced costs.

WHY SHOULD MY BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION CARE ABOUT A COMMUNITY FRIDGE?

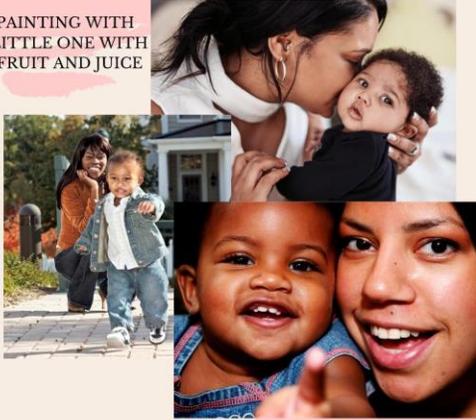
In recent political and racial events, many businesses and organizations are looking for ways to fight against racial inequity. Community fridges represent mutual aid – the idea that solidarity not charity is what communities need in order to become fairer and stronger. By donating food to our fridge, your business will be taking part in our ongoing movement for creating justice – first within our communities.

8. UAU Mommy & Me Paint & Sippy Cup

UAU BEACON PS 18
PRESENTS

Mommy & Me Paint & Sippy Cup

ENJOY PAINTING WITH
YOUR LITTLE ONE WITH
FRESH FRUIT AND JUICE



WHEN: EVERY SATURDAY
TIME: 1PM-2PM SESSION 1
2PM-3PM SESSION 2
WHERE: PS 18 (221 BROADWAY 10310)
FOR MOMS AND CHILDREN 4 AND UNDER



Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Charles D. Fall in blue ink.

Charles D. Fall
Member of Assembly

ALBANY OFFICE: Room 534, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY 12248. 518-455-4677, FAX 518-455-5946

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