



**Weekly Report from Assemblyman Charles D. Fall  
October 14, 2021**

**Trick or Treat in the Park**

In partnership with PR Strong, the NYPD, RCDA and MetroPlusHealth my office will be hosting "Trick or Treat in the Park" on October 30th. From 11:30 AM - 3:00 PM, families can come out for games, candy and resources at Veterans Park located on Park Ave. and Bennett Street.

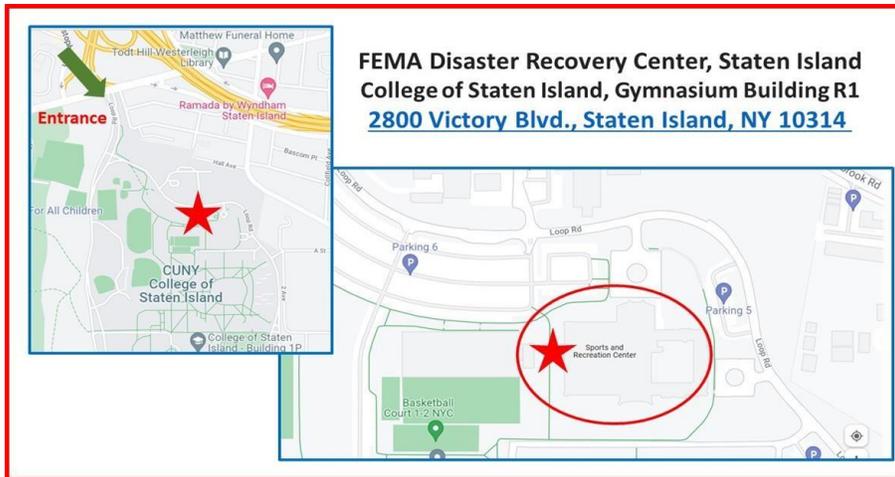


[If you or a loved one has been affected by the storm click here to reach out to our office](#)

See more resources below:

- [Click here to apply for FEMA if you have not done so already or call \(800\) 621 - 3362.](#)

- [Tips for Appealing Decision from FEMA](#)
- **American Red Cross in Greater New York is providing temporary shelter for those affected - 877.RED.CROSS.**
  - **College of Staten Island, Gymnasium Building R1 – 2800 Victory Blvd., Staten Island, NY 10314 is our local Disaster Recovery Center and will be open from 10 AM - 7 PM Monday - Saturday and closed Sunday until further notice.**



## FEMA DISASTER ASSISTANCE

To apply and get answers to your questions, call:

**800-621-3362**

711/VRS (Video Relay Service)

**Please have the following available:**

- Your address with Zip code
- Condition of your damaged home
- Insurance information, if available
- Social Security number
- Phone number where you can be contacted
- Address where you can get mail or email address to receive electronic notifications

**Direct Deposit:** Disaster assistance funds can be sent directly to your bank account. Please provide your bank account type, account number and bank routing number.

**Stay in touch with FEMA:** When you apply, you will receive a FEMA registration number. Save it. You will need the number whenever you contact FEMA.



Online registration  
also available



**DisasterAssistance.gov**  
ACCESS TO DISASTER HELP AND RESOURCES

Disaster assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status.



## Beware of Fraud and Scams

After a disaster, scam artists often attempt to take advantage of disaster survivors. We encourage survivors to watch for and report any suspicious activity.

### Ways to Report Fraud

Email: [StopFEMAFraud@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:StopFEMAFraud@fema.dhs.gov)

Call: 1-866-223-0814

Fax: 202-212-4926

For more information visit [fema.gov/disaster-fraud](https://fema.gov/disaster-fraud)



## Fraude por desastres

Después de un desastre, los estafadores frecuentemente intentan tomar ventaja de los sobrevivientes del desastre. Exhortamos a todos los sobrevivientes a mantenerse alertas y reportar cualquier actividad sospechosa.

### Maneras para reportar fraudes

Correo electrónico: [StopFEMAFraud@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:StopFEMAFraud@fema.dhs.gov)

Teléfono: 1-866-223-0814

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Encuentre más información en [fema.gov/disaster-fraud](https://fema.gov/disaster-fraud)



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## District 61 News

### PS 78 Food Pantry

I was proud to join the PS78 family and NYCID for the ribbon cutting for their new food pantry. It is our duty to provide our children with the basic necessities that set them up for success. This effort would not have been made possible without the generous donation of Stop and Shop and the leadership of Principal Contento.



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## Updates from Albany

### **Apply for Heating and Cooling Assistance (HEAP)**

**Need help paying your energy bill? Low-income New Yorkers can apply for heating and cooling assistance under the Home Energy Assistance Program, or HEAP.**

#### **Overview:**

**Please Note:** The 2021-2022 Regular HEAP Benefit opened October 1, 2021.

#### **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.

## **Does it matter what my home's heating source is?**

HEAP may be able to help you if you heat your home with:

- Electricity
- Natural Gas
- Oil
- Coal
- Propane
- Wood/Wood Pellets
- Kerosene

## **Problem with your heating equipment?**

You may call your [HEAP Local District Contact](#) to apply for Heating Equipment Repair and Replacement benefits. The in-person interview and application requirement are suspended. The district will provide more information on how to submit the application and required documentation.

## **Eligibility**

### **Who is eligible to receive HEAP?**

You may be eligible if:

- You and the members of your household are U.S. citizens, U.S. non-citizen nationals or qualified aliens.
- You provide a valid Social Security number for each household member.
- You receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, Temporary Assistance or Supplemental Security Income.
- Your monthly household income is at or below the HEAP income guidelines.
- You may be eligible for HEAP, even if you:
  - Own your home.
  - Pay for heat as part of your rent.
  - Have money in the bank, stocks, bonds or other resources.

[Learn more](#) about current monthly income limits.

### **What is the Clean and Tune Benefit?**

The HEAP Clean and Tune benefit opens November 4, 2019. Eligible households can receive energy efficiency services, which includes the cleaning of primary heating equipment, but may also include chimney cleaning, minor repairs, installation of carbon monoxide detectors or programmable thermostats, if needed, to allow for the safe, proper and efficient operation of the heating equipment. Benefit amounts are based on the actual cost incurred to provide clean and tune services, up to a maximum of \$400. No additional HEAP cash benefits are available.

Your household may be eligible a Heating Equipment Tune-up benefit if:

- You are the homeowner.

- Your household's gross monthly income is at or below the current income guidelines for your household size as posted on the following table.
- Your primary heating equipment is more than 12 months old.
- Your primary heating equipment or chimney has not been cleaned within the last 12 months
- You do not have a service contract with your vendor that includes clean and tune services

Your household eligibility requirements include filing an application with your local department of social services, providing all necessary documentation, and the household must reside in an eligible living situation.

Review [additional requirements](#) to determine if you're eligible to apply.

### Apply

#### **When HEAP season is open, you can apply for a Regular HEAP Benefit:**

**In person:** Both New York City residents and non-New York City residents can apply in person at your [HEAP Local District Contact](#).

**In writing / by mail:** New York City residents can mail their application to: HRA/HEAP, PO Box 1401, Church Street Station, New York, NY 10008

**Please note:** The above processes are for Regular HEAP benefits only. If you are facing an emergency situation outside the regular HEAP season, both New York City and non-New York City residents can apply for **Emergency HEAP Benefits** at your [HEAP Local District Contact](#). If you are eligible, a HEAP emergency benefit may be issued in addition to your regular HEAP benefit.

#### **Ready to apply? Have with you:**

- Proof of residency with one of the following:
  - Rent receipt with address.
  - Copy of lease with address.
  - Water, sewer or tax bill.
  - Homeowner's insurance policy.
  - Mortgage payment receipt.
  - Deed.
  - Utility bill.
- A current fuel or utility bill, or a statement from your landlord that your heat and/or utilities are included in your rent.
- Recent pay stubs to provide proof of total current monthly income for all household members.
- For each person in your household you will need one of the following:
  - Photo ID
  - Driver's license

- Birth certificate or baptismal certificate
- School records
- Passport
- Paperwork documenting a disability for anyone in your household

**Notes:**

- Remember to sign your name on page 5 of the HEAP application.
- If you qualify for HEAP, you will be notified no later than 30 business days from the date the local district received your HEAP application.

**Cooling Assistance**

You can apply for cooling assistance to buy and install an air conditioner or a fan for your home. Your household is allowed one or the other, and the price cannot be more than \$800 with installation. Like HEAP funding, cooling assistance funds are limited and are distributed on a first-come-first-served basis.

You must be a U.S. citizen or a qualified alien with a documented medical condition that is aggravated by heat. You must also meet certain income guidelines. [Review additional requirements](#) to determine if you're eligible to apply.

**The 2021-2022 HEAP Cooling Assistance benefit opens May 2, 2022.**

**Where to apply:**

You may apply for the HEAP Cooling Assistance with your [HEAP Local District Contact](#).

**HEAP** can help you stay warm this winter!

New Yorkers can now apply for the regular HEAP benefit and the emergency benefit application opens on **Jan. 3, 2022.**

*The Clean and Tune Benefit can also provide eligible households with up to \$400 to clean or repair primary heating equipment.*



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

1. **Governor Hochul announced that the MTA's nationally celebrated program to mentor local minority-owned, women-owned and disadvantaged businesses (MWBE) has helped participating companies win a total of \$500 million in MTA contracts since the state's program was founded in 2010.** A \$2 million contract to Alliance Tri-State Construction, Inc., of Staten Island was the decisive award that put the total over the half billion mark. It is the 485th contract to be awarded to a participating business since the start of the program. MTA Chief Diversity Officer Michael Garner and his team, working closely with MTA Construction & Development and the MTA's Office of Construction Oversight, have led the Authority to an unprecedented pace of activity in recent years, with hundreds of millions of dollars in contracts awarded.
2. **Governor Hochul and Mayor Blasio announced \$27 million is available to provide relief to undocumented survivors of the storms and flooding caused by the remnants of Hurricane Ida. This funding will be distributed through grants to an established network of community organizations and provided to New Yorkers who are not eligible to receive storm recovery assistance through the FEMA Individual Assistance Program or other means.** When I saw the devastation of Hurricane Ida, I pledged that we would do everything in our power to help impacted communities recover, and this funding is a fulfillment of that promise," **Governor Hochul said.** "With these resources dedicated to undocumented New Yorkers who are ineligible for FEMA relief and partnerships with organizations on the ground, we can close gaps in aid and help New Yorkers in need. I urge eligible New Yorkers to apply to get the funding they need to rebuild.
3. **Construction permit fees as high as \$1,200 to be waived for NYC homes and businesses affected by Ida.** Mayor de Blasio signed an executive order that waives permit fees related to storm-related reconstruction and improvements.
4. **Governor Kathy Hochul today allocated \$59 million for the new Clean Green Schools initiative, which aims to advance clean energy and energy efficiency solutions that will improve indoor air quality and reduce emissions for more than 500 public and private Pre-K-12 schools in disadvantaged communities across the state.** As part of the program, the State will convene education leaders this fall, including school superintendents, administrators, and educators, to inform the initiative launching in early 2022 to address climate justice issues and create improved, healthier learning environments for students. Today's announcement supports New York's nation-leading goal of an 85 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2050 under the Climate

Leadership and Community Protection Act (Climate Act).

5. **Governor Hochul announced a series of changes to both attract more applications and accelerate payments within New York State's Emergency Rental Assistance Program.** Under the Governor's direction, the state will invest an additional \$1 million in marketing and outreach efforts to raise awareness about the rent relief program, the available funding, and the strong tenant eviction protections in place for those who apply. The Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, which administers the program, will analyze application data to target areas of the state with relatively low numbers of applications.
6. **Eligible individuals can schedule vaccine appointments by contacting:**
  - **The NYC Vaccine hotline at 877-829-4692 or clicking here**
  - **The NYS hotline at 888-364-3065 or clicking here**
  - **SOMOS, a community health provider at 833-766-6769**
  - **Eligible individuals will have to fill out a screening form and attest to being in an eligible category.** Anyone who is NOT eligible for vaccination, should not sign up for an appointment. **Click here to find updated vaccine eligibility lists, vaccine locations near you, and schedule a vaccine appointment when eligible.**
  - **Click here for a COVID-19 vaccine fact sheet.**
7. **Review the State guidelines for travelers arriving in New York State.**
  - View the Test-and-Trace Corps **COVID-19 Wait Times Dashboard** for estimated wait times for NYC Health + Hospitals COVID-19 testing locations. This wait time information is updated by site staff every two hours.
    - **Use the DOH map to find all State-run testing sites.**
    - **Click here for a full list of NYC Health + Hospitals walk-in testing sites available at no cost to you on the North Shore.**
    - Use the Phone-a-Clinician program with Health + Hospitals, by calling (844) NYC-4NYC. Call to connect with a medical provider free of charge seven days a week from 9 AM - 9 PM.
    - Individuals that are unable to safely isolate themselves at home may be afforded a free temporary hotel room. **Click here to learn more** or call (844) 692-4692. **Please click here if you have any further questions.**

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### **Crucial Resources to Support and Aid Your Everyday Needs**

1. As part of their: October is Breast Cancer Awareness Campaign, RUMC is offering FREE mammograms at their Breast and Women's Center, located at 1161 Victory

Boulevard, Staten Island NY 10301. Appointments must be made before November 1st.

**FREE MAMMOGRAMS\***

Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women on Staten Island. Early detection is the best way to beat breast cancer.

Call 718-818-1161 to schedule your mammogram today.

1161 VICTORY BOULEVARD  
STATEN ISLAND, NY 10301  
718-818-1161 | RUMCSI.ORG/BWC

Richmond University  
Medical Center  
Breast and Women's Center

Accredited for over 80 consecutive years

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\*For uninsured patients only. Appointment must occur before 11/1/2021

2. Applications will now be accepted for the **Landlord Rental Assistance Program (LRAP)**, which provides rental assistance for landlords whose tenants are unwilling to apply for Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP), including where the tenant has left the rental property. Assistance may be provided for households with rent up to 150 percent of the fair market rent (FMR) for the county where the property is located. Landlords seeking assistance under this program may apply [here](#).
3. Drive Up Flu Shots are available October 16th, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Located at 460 Brielle Avenue Staten Island, NY 10314.



# drive up FLU SHOTS

OCTOBER 9TH & 16TH  
FROM 11AM TO 2PM

GET VACCINATED  
IN THE CAR  
AND DRIVE OFF!



**FREE TO THE COMMUNITY**  
Free flu vaccine to community with most health insurances.

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9TH & 16TH**  
From 11:00AM to 2:00PM

**GRACE FOUNDATION**  
Grace Foundation: Staff House  
460 Bialle Avenue  
Staten Island, NY 10314

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Rivertowns Pediatrics of Staten Island

**who we are**  
Rivertowns Pediatrics of Staten Island does not believe in the assembly-line medicine mentality and strives to provide 24/7 access to medical care. Our membership model provides you the convenience of same-day appointments, house calls and enough time to answer any and all questions. Our Pediatric office was designed with your family's schedule and time in mind. As a busy father himself, Dr. Barayev understands the importance of your time so we do not keep you waiting in a busy waiting room and do everything possible to optimize the time you spend seeing and communicating with your doctor.



**917-819-5056**  
sirivertownspeds.com



Registration Required.

4. 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 días a la semana**. ¡Revisa a continuación  
nuestros horarios y ubicaciones!*

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

Sponsored by New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.  
SNAP - *Putting Healthy Food Within Reach*. Visit [www.mybenefits.ny.gov](http://www.mybenefits.ny.gov) to check your eligibility. This material was funded by  
USDA's Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program - SNAP.  
This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



You can also scan to contact us from our website.

5. 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](http://DisasterLoanAssistance.sba.gov) or they may email [DisasterCustomerService@SBA.gov](mailto: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](mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov) for more information on SBA disaster assistance.

6. 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.

7. **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+

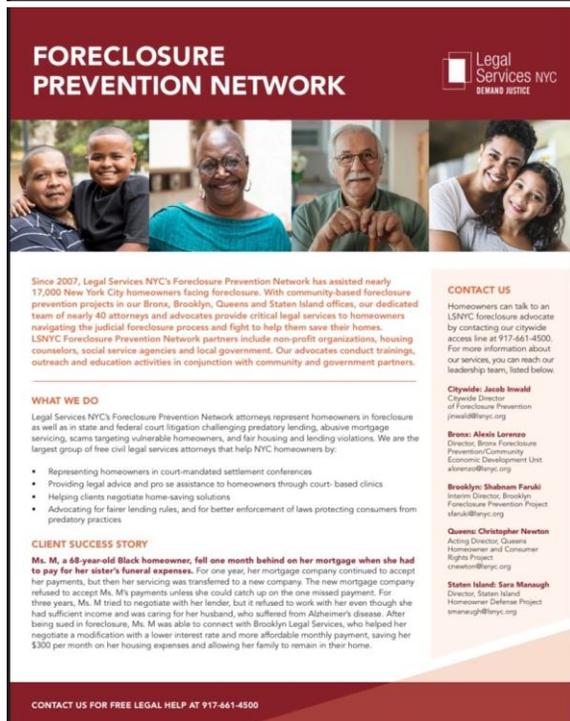
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We speak your language and serve all 5 boroughs of NYC.

**718-233-6480**

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**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**  
Intern Director, Brooklyn Foreclosure Prevention Project  
shfaruki@lsnyc.org

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

**Staten Island: Sara Manaugh**  
Director, Staten Island Homeowner Defense Project  
smanaugh@lsnyc.org

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

8. 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!  
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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.

### Local Community Organization Information:



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

### HOW CAN I APPLY?

Applications can be submitted online beginning June 1.

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



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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.

### Información de la organización comunitaria local:



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

### ¿CÓMO PUEDO SOLICITARLA?

Las solicitudes se pueden enviar en línea a partir del 1 de junio.

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



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**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**

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

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



**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 LA 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**

<b>Solicitar para SNAP (programa de asistencia nutricional)</b>	<b>Solicitar WIC y Asistencia en efectivo</b>	<b>Solicitar un Seguro Médico o NYC Care</b>
<b>Servicios Legales</b>	<b>Servicios de Violencia Doméstica</b>	<b>Servicios de Salud Mental</b>
<b>Solicitud de desempleo</b>	<b>Despensa de alimentos</b>	<b>Ayuda en casos de Inmigración</b>

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

## 9. 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](#).
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### Useful Events and Opportunities

1. **Everyone Eats and Metro Plus Health is hosting a Health Education workshop in English and Spanish from 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM on October 16th at #864 Post Ave.**

JOIN US ON  
**October 16th**  
EVERYONE EATS & METRO PLUS HEALTH  
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

**"NOURISHING THE MIND, BODY & SOUL"**  
12:00-3:00PM - # 864 POST AVE.

**FREE**

- FOOD DISTRIBUTION  
- ENGLISH AND SPANISH  
WORKSHOPS WITH  
PRESENTATIONS RELATED TO  
**HEALTH-EDUCATION-NUTRITION**



**UNANSE A NOSOTROS**  
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 ASOCIACION COMUNITARIA  
 "NUTRIENDO LA MENTE, EL CUERPO Y EL ALMA"  
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**GRATIS!**  
 -DISTRIBUCION DE COMIDA  
 -TALLERES EN INGLES Y ESPANOL  
 CON  
 PRESENTACIONES RILACIONADAS PARA  
**SALUD-EDUCACION-NUTRICION**

- McDonald's is proud to do its part to serve people in our communities who inspire and empower others. **Starting October 11th through October 15th, McDonald's is bringing back the "Thank You Meal\*," a program launched last year to express their appreciation for those who make our communities better.**



3. Visit [here](#) to sign up for Literacy Inc's October programs!

Literacy Inc. and The Bronx Library Center Present:  
**NEIGHBORHOOD FRIENDS STORYTIME:**  
**THE LIBRARY BOOK**





Join LINC and The Bronx Library Center for a fun bilingual read aloud! We will be singing, reading, and doing fun activities.

**DATE: 10.7.21**  
**TIME: 4PM**

**REGISTER HERE:**  
[www.lincnyc.org/events](http://www.lincnyc.org/events)



More Info: Majida Gouriech at [mgouriech@lincnyc.org](mailto:mgouriech@lincnyc.org) 212-620-5462 ext. 136  
 The Bronx Library Center: [blcchildren@nypl.org](mailto:blcchildren@nypl.org) 718-579-4220



Literacy Inc. y La Biblioteca Central del Bronx Presentan:  
**HORA DE CUENTOS AMIGOS DEL VECINDARIO:**  
**EL LIBRO DE LA BIBLIOTECA**





Unete a LINC y La Biblioteca Central del Bronx para una divertida lectura bilingüe! Estaremos cantando, leyendo y haciendo actividades divertidas.

**FECHA: 10.7.21**  
**HORA: 4PM**

**REGÍSTRESE AQUÍ:**  
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4. Snow season is coming! Become a paid emergency Snow Laborer to help us clear snow from steps, streets, crosswalks and fire hydrants after winter storms. Earn \$15/hour. Must make an appointment and be at least 18 years old. [Click here for more details.](#)



5. The Central Family Life Center is now accepting applications for their free Career Training Programs. Call (718) 273-8414 ext.8 and see the flyer below for more information.



THE CENTRAL FAMILY LIFE CENTER  
**YOUTHBUILD**

**IMPACT**

Now Accepting Applications for our **FREE** Career Training Programs  
Please Call (718) 273-8414 ext. 8

**QUALIFICATIONS:**  
17-24 years old, No HS diploma, Out of School, Not Working During the Day,  
and Live on Staten Island

**Let's Get It!!**

**Get Paid, Get your High School Equivalency Diploma, Get Certified and Get a Job!**

For more info visit us at [www.centralfamilylifecenter.org/youthbuild-impact](http://www.centralfamilylifecenter.org/youthbuild-impact)

**117 WRIGHT STREET, STATEN ISLAND, NY 10304**

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 for individuals with disabilities. YouthBuild IMPACT receives funding support from the U.S. Dept of Labor and the NYC Dept. of Youth & Community Development.

6. **The NYS Department of Public Services has partnered with ECC Technologies to request consumers' help in better understanding their experience with broadband access in the state. Please take the brief survey [here](#).**
7. **The Daffodil Project is the largest volunteer effort in NYC history and living memorial in remembrance of the victims of 9/11, now in it's 20th year. See the flyer below for dates and more information.**



It's My Park Day Gardening/Beautification/Tree Stewardship Project

Daffodil Project Planting Days

NY4P's Daffodil Project is the largest volunteer effort in NYC history and living memorial in remembrance of the victims of 9/11. Started in the spring following 9/11, the Daffodil Project is now in its 20th year.



October 17, 2021 (9 am Skyline Playground.  
11:30 am at 120th Precinct – 78 Richmond Terrace)

November 21, 2021 (9 am at Skyline Playground – 1 Clyde Place.  
11:30 am at 120<sup>th</sup> Precinct – 78 Richmond Terrace  
1pm at Lt. Lia Playground)

Tools and gloves will be provided. Community service credit is available

[\\*Please contact Heather Butts at heather.butts@health4youths.org for details](mailto:heather.butts@health4youths.org)

\*\*\*We will have a pop-up pantry during these It's My Park Day events -  
9am at Skyline Playground!

- 8. The Forest Ave. Community 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles D. Fall". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "C" and "F".

Charles D. Fall  
Member of Assembly

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