



**Weekly Report from Assemblyman Charles D. Fall  
December 9, 2021**

**Upcoming Events**

**2021 North Shore Winter Wonderland Toy/Coat Giveaway**

**2021 NORTH SHORE  
Winter  
Wonderland**

UNCLE CHASE FOUNDATION &  
FRIENDS OF MARINERS HARBOR

**Toy Giveaway**

MARINERS HARBOR  
40 ROXBURY PARKING LOT  
**SATURDAY  
DECEMBER 18  
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM**

**Santa Surprises!**  
Big raffle items  
include bicycles,  
video games  
& more

INFANTS - 13 YEARS  
WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

SOCIAL DISTANCING  
WILL BE OBSERVED.

MASKS REQUIRED  
FOR ENTRY

**NO LIMIT AUTO BODY** **INTOX FITNESS**

**MWBA**

**BRUSTEIN LISSANER ORTHODONTICS**

**GREEN ENVIRONMENT SERVICES**

**CHARLES FALL**  
NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY  
DISTRICT 61

**KAMILLAH M. HANKS**  
NEW YORK STATE SENATE  
DISTRICT 11

**St George Theatre**

**THE DOCTOR THEODORE A. ATLAS  
FOUNDATION**  
www.drAtlasFoundation.com

**Fellowship Baptist Church**  
Standing on the World

**amazon**

**Don't You Forget**

2021 NORTH SHORE  
**Winter Wonderland**  
 BEAUTIFUL HEARTBEATS  
**Toys / Goat Giveaway**  
**THURSDAY**  
**DECEMBER 16**  
 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
 2220 FOREST AVE  
 (PARKING LOT)

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CAMERA MAN: FES TAYLOR  
 MUSIC BY DJ TLE

2021 NORTH SHORE  
**Winter Wonderland**  
 BROTHERS CARE, INC  
 BROTHERS CARE, INC.  
 1000 W. INDEPENDENCE BLVD  
 CHARLES FALL, VA 22625  
 WWW.BROTHERSCARE.ORG

**Toys / Goat Giveaway**  
**FRIDAY**  
**DECEMBER 17**  
 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM  
 WEST BRIGHTON  
 NEW HOPE CHURCH (PARKING LOT)  
 77 ALASKA ST BACK ENTRANCE

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## Van Duzer Street Civic Association Holiday Tree Lighting in Tappen Park

LA ASOCIACIÓN CÍVICA DE VAN DUZER ST.  
PRESENTA EL PRIMER ALUMBRADO ANUAL DE

ÁRBOL NAVIDEÑO  
EN  
TAPPEN PARK

JUGUETES!  
MÚSICA!  
SANTA!  
CHOCOLATE CALIENTE!

SÁBADO 18 DE DICIEMBRE - 3PM-6PM  
BAY ST. ENTRE WATER ST. AND CANAL ST.

RSVP AT: [BIT.LY/TAPPENPARKTREELIGHTING](https://bit.ly/tappenparktreelighting)  
TODOS LOS NIÑOS DEBERÁN IR ACOMPAÑADOS POR UN ADULTO.

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## District 61 News

### Port Richmond Strong Tree Lighting

Port Richmond Strong organized a beautiful tree lighting this week at the Reformed Church. Thank you to Mario, Mary, and special guest Miguel Lopez, a community leader who had the honor of lighting the tree.



### **Gateway Arms Realty Corp**

Congratulations to the Gateway Arms Realty Corp for the opening of their new location at 686 Forest Avenue. Being a business supported by the SI Chamber of Commerce, as well as our community I am happy to see the company expand in our neighborhood and wish them the best of luck.



### **Investors Bank Post COVID-19 Care Center**

RUMC and Investors Bank have joined forces to unveil the new Investors Bank Post COVID-19 Care Center at the hospital campus. I am grateful for how supportive Investors Bank has been to RUMC and our community. This comprehensive center has been assisting COVID-19 patients with their short and long-term recovery since opening last year and will continue to care for our residents.



### **Vodega Deli and Grocery - 829 Castleton Ave, Staten Island, NY 10310**

It's always a pleasure to support our local businesses in the North Shore especially those with such amazing food options. Vodega Deli and Grocery offers a great selection of vegan options in West Brighton and I was happy to stop by and grab lunch this week.





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### **Updates from Albany**

**This week Governor Hochul announced the first-in-the-nation \$539 million Homeowner Assistance Fund to assist eligible New Yorkers at risk of foreclosure or displacement.**

**The New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NYS HAF) is a federally funded program dedicated to assisting homeowners who are at risk of default, foreclosure or displacement as a result of a financial hardship caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. Below is a breakdown of how the assistance will be disbursed.**

#### **What is the New York State Homeowner Assistance Fund (NYS HAF)?**

The American Rescue Plan passed by Congress in March of 2021 provided New York with funds to help homeowners at risk of default, foreclosure, and displacement as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The NYS HAF program is being administered by the NY State affordable housing agency, NYS Homes & Community Renewal (HCR), in partnership with Sustainable Neighborhoods LLC, a non-profit dedicated to foreclosure prevention and homeownership preservation.

#### **Who Will Be Eligible to Apply?**

Under NYS HAF, homeowners are defined as New York State residents who own a home and occupy that home as their primary residence (meaning it is where you live for most of every calendar year). Types of eligible homeowners include:

- Mortgaged homeowners who are in a forbearance plan or were offered a forbearance plan that has expired; this may be a first and/or a second mortgage.
- Mortgaged homeowners who were not offered a forbearance plan, or missed the option to apply for one, and are considered delinquent on their first or second mortgage.
- Homeowners who are behind on payments for property taxes, water bills, or sewage bills.
- Coop or condo homeowners who are behind on monthly carrying charges such as maintenance fees or homeowner association payments.
- Homeowners who live in manufactured homes and who are behind on home loans, retail installment contracts used to purchase their homes or monthly lot rent payments.

### **Are there restrictions for who can apply based on income?**

Homeowners whose household income is equal to or less than 100% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and who are at risk of foreclosure and/or displacement due to financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic are eligible to apply (See chart [HERE](#)) for AMI by county and household size).

### **Do I need to live at the property to receive assistance?**

Eligible applicants must currently own and occupy the property as their primary residence.

### **Can I apply if I am current on my mortgage or other housing payments?**

Under the federal rules for HAF, an applicant must be at least 30 days behind on their monthly housing payments (mortgage payments, property taxes, condo or coop fees, etc.). There is one exception to this rule: If you are current on your monthly housing payments, but you are currently unemployed, you can apply for up to 6 months of future housing payments.

### **Can I apply if I am currently in a legal proceeding for missed housing payments?**

Yes. If you are currently in foreclosure, or in another type of legal proceeding, you may still apply for assistance under the NYS HAF. Homeowners who are in active legal proceedings are encouraged to apply as soon as the program opens, and NYS HAF may also assist in connecting you to free legal services support if you are not already represented by an attorney.

### **If I have a mortgage, do I have to wait to get help from my bank before applying for NYS HAF?**

No. You should apply for NYS HAF as soon as the application portal is open. **You should also reach out to your bank today to see what kind of COVID-19 mortgage modification may be**

**available to you.** NYS HAF funds can be used to make your monthly payments affordable if your loan can't be modified or if the modification offer is not affordable on its own.

For mortgaged borrowers, NYS HAF will have to coordinate with the bank or company that services your mortgage, which may add additional time to the process. The case management team will work with applicants and communicate through every step of the process to make sure that applicants know the status of their application and the expected time to complete the process.

**I have a mortgage and I am still in forbearance with my bank. Should I apply for NYS HAF assistance?**

Yes. You may apply for NYS HAF while you are still in forbearance.

**Are land contracts considered the equivalent of mortgages?**

If the applicant does not have a chattel loan or retail installment contract commonly found associated with manufactured homes, but rather a “rent-to-own” agreement on a stick-built house, they are eligible to submit a HAF application. For the purposes of HAF, we would consider this a mortgage and ask the applicant to fill out the mortgage section of the application.

**When will NYS HAF Assistance be Available?**

*NYS HAF expects to receive significantly more applications than can be funded by the program. Applications will be processed in the order they were received. Application submission does not guarantee you will receive financial assistance.*

**The program will begin accepting applications January 3, 2022. Please visit <https://www.nyhomeownerfund.org/> for more information on application and list of documents you may need when you are ready to submit your application.**

"Far too many New Yorkers have suffered an undue financial burden as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. We have made strides here on the state level to ensure protection for both tenants, landlords and homeowners struggling with housing.

This federal funding is an important step to help ensure that low- and moderate-income homeowners at risk of displacement, especially those in areas historically subject to housing discrimination, can keep the heat on, water flowing, and a roof over their heads."

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



1. [\*\*Governor Kathy Hochul Signed Package of Legislation to Support Small Businesses.\*\*](#)  
Governor Hochul signed a package of legislation to increase State agency support of small businesses in New York. The legislation will create a small business liaison with the Departments of Agriculture and Markets, Environmental Conservation, Labor, Transportation, and Taxation and Finance.
  2. **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.**
  3. **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. **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**
2. [\*\*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.

- 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.nybenefits.ny.gov](http://www.nybenefits.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.

- 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.
- 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.

6. **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](http://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 Inoué**  
Citywide Director of Foreclosure Prevention  
[jinoue@lsnyc.org](mailto:jinoue@lsnyc.org)

**Bronx: Alexis Lorenzo**  
Director, Bronx Foreclosure Prevention/Community Economic Development Unit  
[alorenzo@lsnyc.org](mailto:alorenzo@lsnyc.org)

**Brooklyn: Shabnam Faruki**  
Interim Director, Brooklyn Foreclosure Prevention Project  
[shfaruki@lsnyc.org](mailto:shfaruki@lsnyc.org)

**Queens: Christopher Newton**  
Acting Director, Queens Homeowner and Consumer Rights Project  
[chrnewt@lsnyc.org](mailto:chrnewt@lsnyc.org)

**Staten Island: Sara Manough**  
Director, Staten Island Homeowner Defense Project  
[smanough@lsnyc.org](mailto:smanough@lsnyc.org)

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

7. 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**

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# 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>Dispensa de alimentos</b>	<b>Ayuda en casos de Inmigración</b>

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

8. 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 job 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.

9. **Learn to Save Lives. Teens ages 16 and up can receive a free YMCA lifeguard certification**



10. **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. Roc-A-Natural Holiday Pop-up-Shop. Shop Small Businesses for the perfect gifts.



**ROC-A-NATURAL  
HOLIDAY  
POP-UP-SHOP**

It's the 'most wonderful time of the year'  
and Roc-A-Natural invites you to come  
shop small businesses without walls  
for the perfect gifts at the  
Roc-A-Natural Holiday Pop-Up Shop

**SAT** DECEMBER 11  
DECEMBER 18  
12PM - 6PM

**SUN** DECEMBER 12  
DECEMBER 19  
12PM - 6PM

Enjoy music, free raffle gift, networking and hot Apple Cider while supplies last at  
The Waverly Pop Up Shop, 18 Waverly Place, Staten Island, NY 10304  
For more information contact: D. Meyers 917.406.7136 or email: ran@rocanatural.com

The poster features a large gold Christmas ornament with the event title. Below the text is a photograph of a festive display with lit candles, a red bow, and various products.



2. The **Forest Avenue BID** invites you to watch Santa Claus drive down Forest Avenue.



3. Metro Community Health Centers invites all to their Holiday Health Fair. Saturday, December 11th from 11 AM - 3 PM. **See the flyer below for more information.**



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Invite you to our

FAMILY, FRIENDS & COMMUNITY  
**HOLIDAY  
HEALTH FAIR**

On  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2021  
11 AM - 3 PM

At  
METRO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER  
2324 Forest Avenue  
Staten Island, NY 10303

Enjoy festive music, free activities,  
and free give away items while supplies last.

For more information and to register contact  
MCHC's Community Relations Office at (347) 291-8726



4. **The BJ House Community and Friends - Community Feed up and Winter Coats Distribution. Saturday, December 18th at 12PM. Located at 49 Tompkins ave, SI, NY.**


  
**BJ HOUSE OF COMMUNITY & FRIENDS**  
**COMMUNITY FEED UP &**  
*Winter Coats Distribution*

● **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18TH AT 12PM** ●  
**STAPLETON UAME CHURCH**  
 ● **49 TOMPKINS AVE, SI, NY** ●

- Winter Coats for Men, Women & Children
- Fresh Produce & Toy Giveaway
- Hot Meals Distribution / Hot Cocoa Station
- Free Covid Testing & Vaccines
- While Supplies Last
- Child must be accompanied by an adult



5. **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.

Sincerely,

Charles D. Fall  
Member of Assembly

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