



**Weekly Report from Assemblyman Charles D. Fall
February 3, 2022**

My office and the Gambian Community in collaboration with the Senegalese Association and ACASI are looking for donations to help the victims of the tragic Bronx fire. For more information about drop-offs see below or call my office at 718-442-9932.

Donations Needed

To support victims of the Bronx fire
Monday - Friday. 9:00AM-5:00PM at 853 Forest Ave
Accepting new clothes, new shoes, gift cards, and
nonperishable foods

In collaboration with:



Gambian Community



Senegalese Association



NYCHA has recently opened kitchens in vacant apartments at Stapleton Houses to serve as community kitchens. Those who are impacted by the gas outage can call management (718-448-5000) to schedule appointments in two-hour increments. There are 5 open kitchens with 1 being a 504/ADA accessible unit.



New York City Housing Authority
Stapleton Houses
210 Broad Street
Staten Island, NY 10304
Tel # (718) 448-5000
Fax # (718) 720-8834

01/14/2022

Dear 181/197 Gordon Street Residents,

Due to the gas outage in your building (181/197 Gordon St.), NYCHA is opening a Temporary Community Kitchen to accommodate residents who are interested in sharing a stove for cooking. Residents will be allowed to book two-hour time slots to use the kitchen stove. Each resident will be responsible for their own clean-up and garbage removal.

If you are interested in using this Community Kitchen until the gas service is restored, please contact the Management Office at 718-448-5000 at your earliest convenience.

We apologize for the inconvenience this outage has caused and greatly appreciate your patience and understanding. Please be advised that NYCHA staff, along with the contractor, are working diligently to restore service to all affected apartments as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

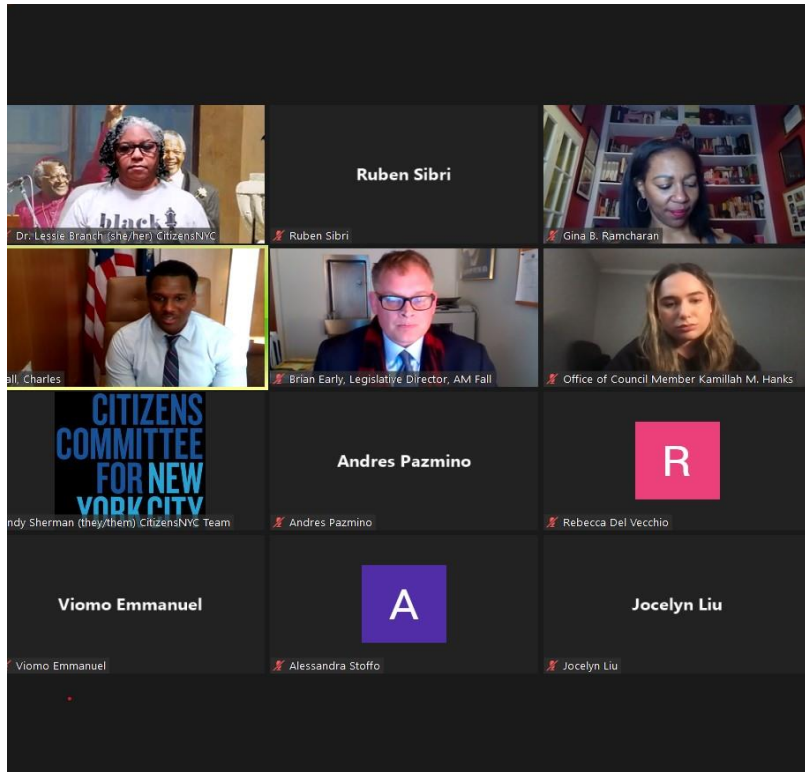
Philip John
Property Manager

District 61 News

Citizens Committee for NYC info session

I want to thank Citizens Committee for NYC for hosting this info session informing everyone that through their micro-grants folks can receive up to \$10,000 for their small businesses or up to \$5,000 for community projects. CCNYC has already invested nearly \$100,000 in the North Shore over the last couple of years. It is clear to me that their sense of priority for our black and brown, immigrant and women owned businesses will continue to uplift and provide opportunities for our communities. People can apply for these grants through the website. Community leaders can apply [here](#) and neighborhood business owners can apply [here](#). Citizens Committee for

NYC's mission is to help New Yorkers come together to improve the quality of life in their neighborhoods.



Updates from Albany

Recently, there has been a national spike in hate crimes, specifically towards those of the Jewish faith and towards black colleges and universities, with the start of Black History Month.

The New York State Legislature and the Governor's office remain committed in curbing and eliminating all hate crimes here in New York State. Over the past few years the legislature has passed laws and funded initiatives to accomplish this task.

Recently the Governor has announced that the number of hate crimes against the Asian American community has gone up 150 percent from 2019 to 2020 and has vowed to address all hate and division in New York State.

- **Last year the final budget appropriated, \$25 million to the Communities Against Hate Crimes Grant Program.**
- **The Governor in her 2022-23 Executive Budget and vowed to secure funding once again for this program.**

New York Hate Crime Anti-Terrorism Act:

- In 2020, legislation was passed that established a "domestic act of terrorism motivated by hate" crime as a new A-1 class felony punishable by up to life in prison without parole.
- Legislation, passed in 2019 as part of the state budget, named the Josef Neumann Hate Crimes Domestic Terrorism Act, to honor the victim of a stabbing attack in December at the home of a Monsey rabbi.

Funding for State Police Hate Crimes Task Force:

- The State Police Hate Crimes Task Force was established by the Governor in the 2018 to address the increase in bias-motivated threats, harassment and violence throughout New York State.
- Funding of \$2 million to support the Task Force's ongoing work, and to bolster the monitoring of digital media which promote violence, intolerance, selling of illicit substances and terrorism was allocated in 2019.

In 2019 A.3606-A was enacted into law:

- Directs the municipal police training council in consultation with the Division of Human Rights and the Hate Crimes task force to develop and maintain policies and procedures regarding the recognition of and response to hate crimes.
- Additionally, the council shall recommend to the Governor and the legislature rules and regulations with respect to establishing training and retraining of police officers.
- Legislation was signed into law in November of 2019.

“With the recent reports of spikes in hate crimes, most recently towards black institutions of higher learning, I must reiterate, one act of hate, is an act towards all. I pledge to continue to work with my state colleagues and leadership to ensure all New Yorkers remain safe from these most heinous crimes.”



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.

NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY
CHARLES FALL
61ST ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

The advertisement features a blue background with white and yellow text. It includes icons for a hand holding a dollar sign, a row of houses, a telephone, and a globe. On the right, there is a portrait of Charles Fall, a man in a suit, and the official seal of the New York State Assembly.

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.](#)**



EXCLUDED WORKERS FUND
SOCIAL MEDIA TOOLKIT
FOR TAX INFORMATION

WE ARE YOUR DOL
Department of Labor

The image shows a laptop displaying the Excluded Workers Fund website. The website has a green header with the text 'excluded WORKERS fund' and a yellow dollar sign. The background of the image is dark with a blurred office setting.

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 días 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> <i>(Remoto)</i>	Florence Lanipekun	Call <i>Llamar al</i> 929-270-2181

Sponsored by New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance.
SNAP...Putting Healthy Food Within Reach. Visit 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.

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](https://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.

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

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

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
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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.

Información de la organización comunitaria local:
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.

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

Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
(Rev. 05/21)

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!

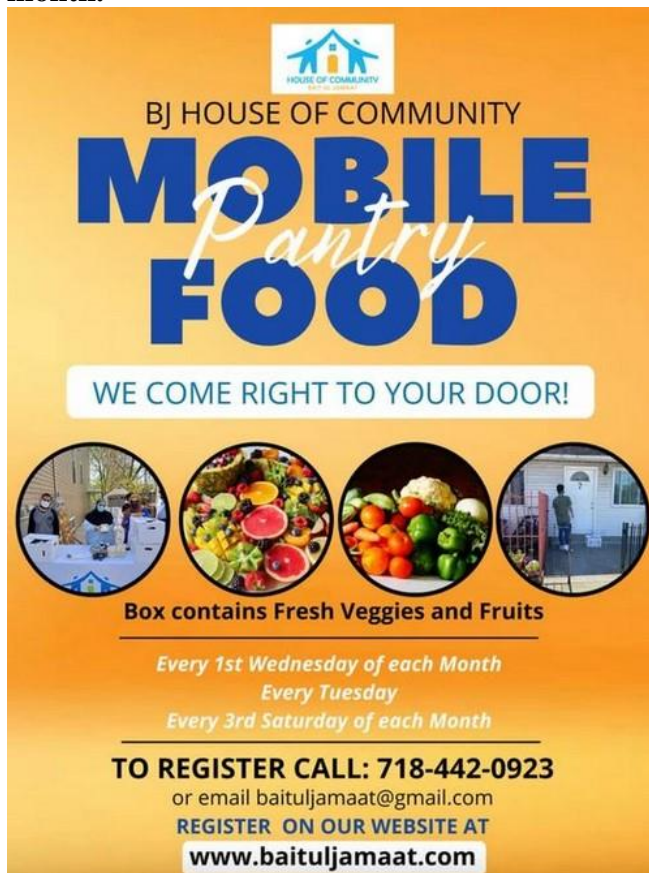
LLAME AHORA Y DEJE UN MENSAJE CON SU NOMBRE Y NÚMERO DE TELÉFONO Y LE DEVOLVEREMOS (A LLAMADA). COMUNIQUESE CON NOSOTROS A LOS NÚMEROS DE TELÉFONO **718-420-6466** O AL **718-448-3470**. PARA OBTENER AYUDA CON SNAP (PROGRAMA DE ASISTENCIA NUTRICIONAL) LLAME AL **347-410-3657**

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

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.



The poster features a logo at the top center with the text "HOUSE OF COMMUNITY" and "BY THE PEOPLE". Below the logo, the text "BJ HOUSE OF COMMUNITY" is written in a smaller font. The main title "MOBILE FOOD Pantry" is prominently displayed, with "MOBILE" and "FOOD" in large, bold, blue capital letters and "Pantry" in a white, cursive script font. A white banner below the title contains the text "WE COME RIGHT TO YOUR DOOR!". Underneath the banner are four circular images: the first shows a person at a table, the second shows a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, the third shows a box of fresh produce, and the fourth shows a person standing in front of a mobile food pantry unit. Below the images, the text "Box contains Fresh Veggies and Fruits" is written. The schedule is listed as "Every 1st Wednesday of each Month", "Every Tuesday", and "Every 3rd Saturday of each Month". At the bottom, the registration information is provided: "TO REGISTER CALL: 718-442-0923", "or email baituljamaat@gmail.com", "REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE AT", and "www.baituljamaat.com".

HOUSE OF COMMUNITY
BY THE PEOPLE

BJ HOUSE OF COMMUNITY

MOBILE
Pantry
FOOD

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11. The Port Authority and the Council on Port Performance is hosting a virtual internship, apprenticeship, and job fair for careers in Transportation, Logistics, and Distribution (TLD) on Wednesday, February 9th.



The Port of New York
& New Jersey supports
over 500,000
regional jobs.
Discover a
rewarding career
in Transportation,
Logistics and
Distribution (TLD).

Attend our Virtual TLD Internship, Apprenticeship & Job Fair

Wednesday, February 9, 2022
11am-1:30pm

Whether seeking a first-time career or a career
change, the TLD Internship, Apprenticeship & Job
Fair will connect you to employers in the region.

Attend this event to:

- Find apprenticeship and internship
opportunities that develop your career and
match your interests.
- Identify apprenticeship opportunities to
obtain new credentials, target your career
advancement strategy, and gain valuable work
experience and professional instruction from
industry leaders.
- Learn if you are suited for a career in TLD.
- Discover opportunities for in-demand, critical
port roles in drayage trucking, CDL-required
pathways, and warehousing & logistics.

Register to attend
RSVP Now →

It is encouraged to participate on a PC/Computer, rather than a
mobile device, in order to use the full capabilities offered in the
REMO platform. REMO's preferred browser is Chrome, however
its Safari and Microsoft Edge can also be used. Please find
additional REMO Help/Tips on their YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1cz-ypDKtATPnSrnVbPikg>



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



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

13. St. Ann's Creative Learning Center has open enrollment right now. Call 718-273-5371 for more information.



The flyer is framed by a border of colorful crayons. At the top center is a logo consisting of colorful circles. Below the logo, the text reads: "ST. ANN'S CREATIVE LEARNING CENTER" and "Your Personal Assistant for the Growth and Development of Your Child". The main headline is "OPEN ENROLLMENT" in large blue letters, followed by "FREE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN" in yellow. Below that, it says "Must be 3 or 4 by December 31st". The next section is "SAME DAY REGISTRATION" in green, with "Program Sponsored By NYC Department of Education" underneath. The address "St. Ann's Creative Learning Center, 1141 Castleton Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10310" is listed on the left, and the hours "Monday - Friday, 8AM - 2:45PM" are on the right. A list of documents needed includes "Child's Birth Certificate", "Parent's State ID", "2 Proofs of Address", and "Child's Medical". To the right of this list is the text "SCHOLARS HOME OF EXCELLENCE" and "Private Afterschool Vouchers Accepted". At the bottom, it says "CALL NOW SPACE IS LIMITED!" in yellow, followed by the phone number "718.273.5371" and the website "www.stannslc.com". On the far right, it says "CODE Crayon".

ST. ANN'S
CREATIVE LEARNING CENTER
"Your Personal Assistant for the
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Staten Island, NY 10310

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8AM - 2:45PM

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www.stannslc.com

CODE
Crayon

14. **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. The Department of Transportation is hiring - Apply by 2/15

We're Hiring!

Learn about horticulture through hands-on training!

Under the guidance of the New York City Department of Transportation and the City Cleanup Corps, U. Arias Corp is seeking trainees for our **Greener Roadways Training!** A program where New Yorkers are paid **\$24.50 an hour** to care for greenspaces and roadway plantings across Brooklyn and the Bronx. This includes:

- All aspects of plant-care
- Plant identification & planting techniques
- Watering & irrigation system management
- Equipment & safety training
- And more!

In addition to real-world maintenance experience, trainees will receive industry-level certifications and mentorship for continuing careers in horticulture!

The program starts in 2022 from March to June. We're hiring trainees for full-time (40 hours a week for 16 weeks) & part-time (20 hours a week for 8 weeks) positions!

APPLY BY 2/15 | Email a cover letter to uariascorp@gmail.com or call 718.874.7217
*Resumes are not required to apply!

LEARN MORE | Read the full job description at: nyc.gov/dotjobs/greenerroadways

U. Arias Corp. **NEW YORK CITY** **CITY OF NEW YORK**

3. **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 50 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.



NYC Parks

4. Community Conversation on Smoking & Vaping being held on Wednesday, Feb 9th and is open to all Staten Islanders ages 13+

**SMOKING & VAPING ON STATEN ISLAND:
A VIRTUAL COMMUNITY CONVERSATION**

A GROUP DISCUSSION FOR ALL STATEN ISLANDERS
AGES 13 AND UP.
WHEN: FEBRUARY 9, 2022
TIME: 6 -7:30PM

Register today!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/smoking-vaping-staten-island-a-virtual-community-conversation-tickets-251730782547>

VIRTUAL ZOOM LINK

HOSTED BY NYC SMOKE-FREE IN COLLABORATION WITH NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE

Public Health Solutions **NYC SMOKE-FREE**

5. **Urban Faries of S.I.C.O., Beautiful Heartbeats Inc, and Free It Forward Host their 1st Annual Community Baby Shower. February 17th, 6:00PM-8:00PM**

Urban Fairies of S.I.C.O.,
 Beautiful Heartbeats Inc. & Free It
 Forward Host Our
 1ST Annual Community BABY
 SHOWER

We are looking for donations of new or like new baby, new mom items, gift cards and/or in kind donations of the following , cribs, bassinets, pack and plays, strollers, carseats, tummy time mats, teethers, sippy cups, baby wash diaper creme,diapers, wipes, clothing, gear, bottles , pacifiers, unexpired formula ,food, etc. Please contact us to donate, or collaborate

WE WILL BE ACCEPTING DONATIONS
 SATURDAY 1/22/2022
 11am to 2pm
 266 Wild ave 10314
 Please text to confirm drop-off
 646-568-5094

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SPACE IS LIMITED admittance with tickets preferred walkins accepted
 but limited
 masks mandatory vaccines preferred
 get tickets @

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ufo-sico-beautiful-heartbeats-inc-free-it-forward-community-baby-shower-tickets-240117577137>

Or scan the Barcode for tickets limited to mom and plus 1
 2 ticket maximum



2/17/22
 6PM - 8PM



@ 3Js Creations
 (event space)

2220 Forest Ave SI, NY 10303

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MEET OUR SPONSORS :



6. Central Family Life Center presents their 17th Annual Staten Island Black History Townhall. Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 12 PM.

17TH Annual Staten Island
BLACK HISTORY TOWNHALL

"STANDING STRONG TOGETHER THROUGH HISTORIC CHALLENGES"

Join us as we celebrate black history with guest speakers such as NYC DOE Chancellor David Banks and honorees such as Ed Josey and Betty Bellamy.

Saturday, February 26, 2022 at 12PM
on Zoom and in person.
Meeting ID: 832 0299 7143
117 Wright St Staten Island, NY 10304

Logos include: Central Family Life Center, Youthbuild, Test & Trace Corps, Staten Island University Medical Center Emergency Services, UAU, Community Health Center of Richmond, Excellence, Public Health Solutions, Black Health, Stradford Home for Funerals & Crematic, Staten Island University Hospital Northwell Health, Staten Island Performing Provider System, and NAACP.

7. 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,



Charles D. Fall
Member of Assembly

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