



Assemblymember
RODNEYSE BICHOTTE
Brooklyn Democratic County Leader



COVID-19 Updates

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NYC Schools Will Fully Reopen In-Person This Fall With No Remote Option

Amid Coronavirus Pandemic

Biden Extends Temporary Protected Status for Haitians; Assembly Passes Holocaust Education Legislation; Mortgage Webinar; and More!

VACCINE PROGRESS

NYS First Doses: 10,389,445
NYS Completed Series: 8,788,874
Brooklyn First Doses: 1,140,178
Brooklyn Completed Series: 938,566

COVID-19 CASES & FATALITIES

NYS Confirmed: 2,079,346
NYS Deaths: 42,608
NYC Confirmed: 931,720
Brooklyn Confirmed: 274,142

STATEMENT ON ANTI-SEMITIC HATE CRIMES AND HOLOCAUST EDUCATION BILL

Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn issued the following statement on supporting **Assemblymember Nily Rozic's** Holocaust education bill, [#A472A](#), and condemning the **anti-Semitic** attacks that targeted the Jewish community in Brooklyn this weekend:

"Today in committee, I proudly voted in favor of #A472A. This bill, which I co-sponsored, will help make sure students in New York never forget the horrors of the Holocaust.

Through education, we can help ensure future generations are not plagued by the terrible anti-Semitic hatred we are witnessing now, including the several anti-Semitic incidents that occurred in Borough Park and Flatbush over the weekend. I condemn these attacks on the Jewish community here in Brooklyn.

We must stand up together against bigotry and hatred."

NYS: GOVERNOR CUOMO

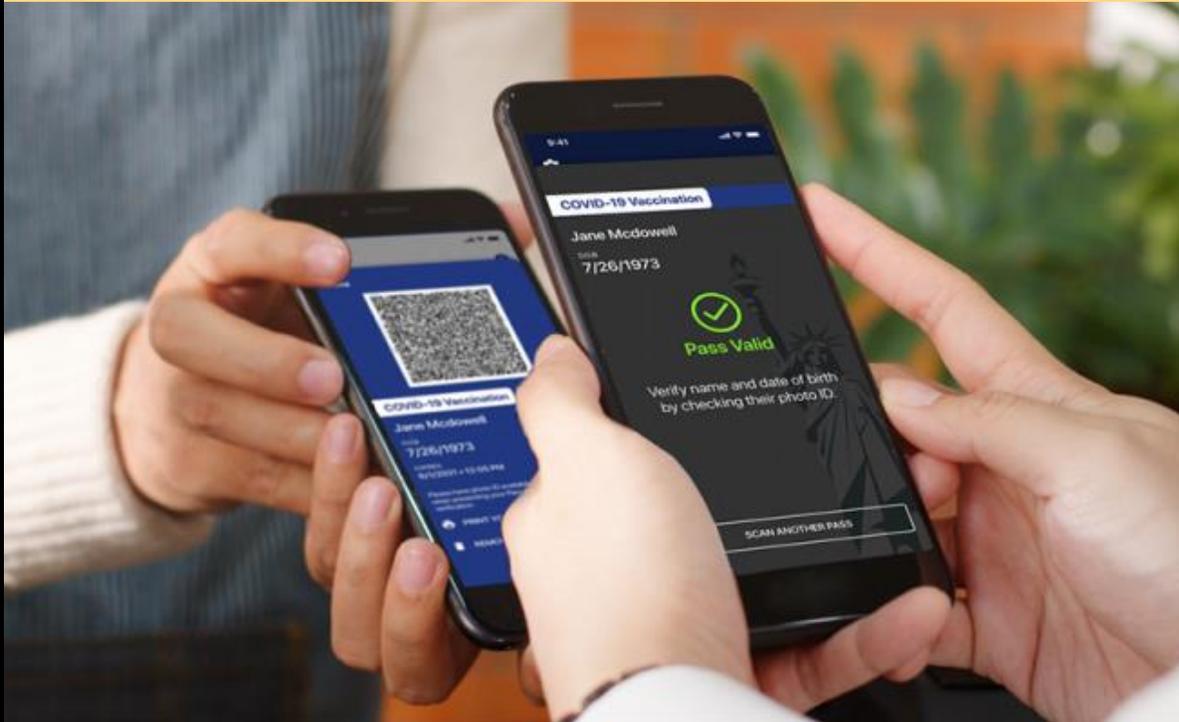


Photo Credit: Governor Cuomo

- **Governor Cuomo** announced that every person who gets **vaccinated** with either a first dose, or single dose

of **Johnson & Johnson**, anywhere in New York State between **May 24** and **31** is eligible to receive a **free two-day pass** to any New York State Park, valid through September 30, 2021. Read more [here](#).

- Today, the governor announced that the region's 7-day average positivity, **0.72%**, is the lowest the region has seen since August 29, 2020. Read more [here](#).
- The governor announced that **64%** of New Yorkers ages 18 and older have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, and **55%** have completed the vaccine series. Read more [here](#).
- Governor Cuomo indicated that more than **1 million Excelsior Passes** have been issued since New York State launched the first-in-the-nation voluntary platform to present digital proof of COVID-19 vaccination or negative test results at venues, universities, stadiums and businesses statewide. Read more [here](#).

NYC: MAYOR DE BLASIO



Photo Credit: CNN

- **Mayor de Blasio** announced that **NYC Public Schools** will be **fully in-person** starting September. There will be no remote options available. Read more [here](#).
 - Today, **Governor Cuomo** also announced that based on current COVID trajectory, **all New York State schools** will reopen for **full in-person** learning for the 2021-2022 school year beginning in September. Read more [here](#).
- The **NYC Department of Education** announced that they will adhere to the following in the Fall:
 - masks will continue to be a requirement in all school buildings;
 - individuals with COVID-19 symptoms will continue to be required to stay at home;
 - students, teachers and staff will continue to complete the daily health screener at home;
 - every school building will continue to have a nurse;
 - every classroom will have working ventilation systems;
 - on-site COVID-19 testing will continue in school buildings as recommended by the latest health guidance; and
 - the Situation Room will continue to support schools with next steps if there are positive cases.
 - Read the full letter to families [here](#).

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



Photo Credit: Washington Post

- The **Biden administration** on Saturday announced it will extend deportation protections and work permits for 54,000 Haitian immigrants living in the U.S. with **Temporary Protected Status (TPS)** and allow hundreds of thousands of other eligible Haitians to request relief. Read more [here](#).
- The **Biden administration** announced on Friday that they will partner with a number of popular dating apps to promote vaccination status among single people. Read more [here](#).
- The U.S. will provide COVID-19 vaccinations for **550,000** South Korean service members who work in close contact with American forces. Read more [here](#).

RANKED CHOICE VOTING

INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR

What is Ranked Choice Voting?

1st choice: The candidate you love.

2nd choice: The candidate you like.

3rd or 4th choice: The candidate you like slightly less.

5th choice: The candidate you can stand.

Candidate	1st choice	2nd choice	3rd choice	4th choice	5th choice
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On Thursday, May 20th, **Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn** in partnership with **Flatbush Development Corporation** hosted a **Ranked Choice Voting Informational Webinar**. Watch the full webinar by clicking the link [here](#).

NHS BROOKLYN: MORTGAGE EVENT

Free
Webinar

MORTGAGE UPDATE

MORATORIUM • FORECLOSURE • FORBEARANCE

Learn from nonprofit housing counselors & attorneys about:

- Mortgage Moratorium Updates
- Post-forbearance options for homeowners
- Options for homeowners currently in foreclosure
- Homeowners Assistance Fund Updates

Tuesday, May 25, 2021 • 4:00-5:30pm

Register: www.bit.ly/3tyhYvm



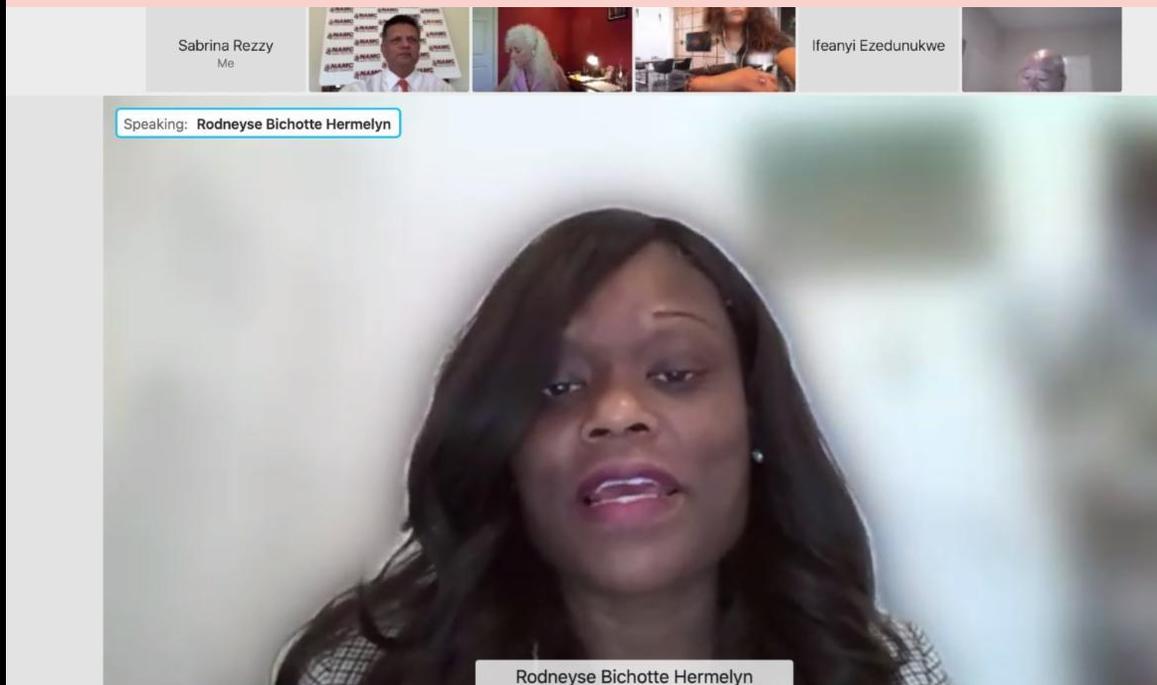
Join **NHS Brooklyn** tomorrow, **May 24th at 4:00 o.m.** to hear the latest from nonprofit housing counselors & attorneys on:

- The Mortgage Moratorium & CARES Act
- What to do if you're behind with your mortgage

- Next steps if you have a forbearance or are in foreclosure
- What happens after the Mortgage Moratorium expires
- “One-Shot Deal” & other assistance with unexpected bills and more! Register [here](#).

COMMUNITY EVENTS

On Friday, May 21st, Assemblymember and Subcommittee Chair on Oversight of Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises **Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn** provided opening remarks at the **NAMC NY Tri-State Chapter's Virtual Meet & Greet with Gilbane and Suffolk** event.



BROOKLYN COVID-19 TESTING SITES

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Week of **5/24/2021 - 5/30/2021**

H+H test site updates: bit.ly/HH_testsites / H+H wait times: bit.ly/HH_waittimes

- No-Cost tests
- ID/Insurance are not required
- For age 2 & older, unless otherwise noted



NYC HEALTH + HOSPITALS TESTING SITES (ONGOING) - DAYS AND TIMES

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

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

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

Starrett City
1279 Pennsylvania Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11239
Offers limited molecular rapid tests
Mon-Sun, 9am-7pm

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

Kings County Hospital
451 Clarkson Avenue T-Building
Room T-10 1st floor
(Corner of Clarkson Ave & New York Ave)
Brooklyn, New York 11203
718-245-3131
Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Mon-Sat, 7am-7pm
Sun, 9am-5pm
(closed 12pm-1pm)

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

Midwood Pre-K
1223 Coney Island Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11230
844-NYC-4NYC
Offers limited molecular rapid tests
Mon-Sun, 9am-7pm

Borough Park
4002 Fort Hamilton Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11218
Offers limited molecular rapid tests
Mon-Sun, 9am-7pm

Canarsie Municipal Parking Lot
622 E 99th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11236
(aka 1399 Rockaway Parkway)
Also offers Flu Shots
844-NYC-4NYC
Mon-Sun, 9am-7pm

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

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

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

Bensonhurst 14th Ave
6315 14th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11219
Offers limited molecular rapid tests
Mon-Sun, 9am-7pm

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

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



NYC HEALTH DEPT. COVID-19 EXPRESS
Mon-Fri (9am-5pm)
by appointment only: nyc.gov/health/covidexpress

Crown Heights Center
1218 Prospect Place
Brooklyn, NY 11213

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

PARTNER MOBILE TESTING VANS (Age 4 and older)

Due to parking issues, vans may be within 1-2 blocks away.
Rapid/PCR tests are available, days and times vary.

Williamsburg
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
Basketball Courts
behind building #22,
Marcy Houses
Driveway Loop,
602 Park Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11206

New Lots
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
New Hope Family
Worship Center
817 Livonia Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11207

**Cypress Hills/
East New York**
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
NYCHA Cypress Hills
Houses/Building #4
Parking Lot,
1250 Sutter Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11208

Brownsville
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
NYCHA Van Dyke I
392 Blake Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11212

Bed-Stuy
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
Marcy Plaza
Corner of
Marcy Avenue and
Fulton Street,
Brooklyn, NY 11216

Kensington
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
Red Hook Park
Corner of Bay St &
Columbia St
Brooklyn, NY 11231

Bushwick
Monday-Sunday
May 24th-30th
8am-7pm
NYCHA Ocean Hill
Houses
15 Mother Gaston Blvd
(Corner of Mother
Gaston Blvd & Sumpter
Street)
Brooklyn, NY 11233

Dyker Heights
Monday, May 24th
Thursday-Saturday,
May 27th-30th
8am-7pm
McKinley Park
Corner of 73rd Street
and Fort Hamilton
Parkway
Brooklyn, NY 11228

Clinton Hill
Monday-Friday
May 24th-28th
8am-7pm
Clinton HRA Center
495 Clermont Ave,
Brooklyn NY 11238

Flatlands
Saturday-Sunday
May 29th-30th
8am-7pm
Flatlands Reformed
Church Community
Center,
3931 Kings Highway,
Brooklyn, NY 11210

SELF TEST SITES (Age 4 and older)

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

**Bedford-Stuyvesant (West)/
Clinton Hill/
Fort Greene**
Monday-Sunday
May 24-30
10am-5pm
Brooklyn Navy Yard
63 Flushing Ave, building 92,
Brooklyn, NY 11205

Greenpoint
Monday, May 24 only
11am-4:30pm
Tuesday-Thursday
May 25-27
10am-4:30pm
Greenpoint Health
Center
875 Manhattan Ave,
Brooklyn, NY 11222

Williamsburg
Monday, May 24 only
11am-4pm
Tuesday-Thursday
May 25-27
9:30am-4pm
Williamsburg (Adult Med)
279 Graham Ave,
Brooklyn, NY 11221

Williamsburg
Monday, May 24 only
10am-5pm
William Sheridan Playground
Grand St & Wythe Ave
Brooklyn, NY 11211

Bensonhurst/Mapleton
Tuesday, May 25 only
10am-5pm
BCA Bensonhurst
Senior Center
6909 20th Ave,
Brooklyn, NY 11204

Williamsburg (South)
Tuesday-Wednesday
May 25-26
10am-5pm
Noll Street Park
518 Bushwick Ave,
Brooklyn, NY 11206

Sunset Park
Wednesday-Thursday
May 26-27
10am-5pm
BCA Sunset Park
Senior Center
5007 7th Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11220

Bed-Stuy
Sunday, May 30 only
10am-5pm
TANA
399 Tompkins Avenue,
Brooklyn, NY 11216

TO FIND PUBLIC/PRIVATE TESTING SITES ACROSS NYC:
Call 212-COVID19 or go to nyc.gov/covidtest

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NYC
HEALTH+
HOSPITALS

Test & Trace
Corps

Here are the dates and times for NYC Health+Hospitals testing sites for the week of **May 24** to **May 30**. To find additional testing sites around NYC, visit [here](#).

COVID-19 VACCINATION SITES



If you or someone you love would like to schedule an appointment for the **COVID-19 vaccine**, please visit [here](#) or call 1-833-NYS-4-VAX (1-833-697-4829).

COVID VACCINE SCAM ALERT

COVID Vaccine Scam Alert

Be Aware



The COVID-19 Vaccine is FREE to individuals.

Do not pay anyone to register you for an appointment or to get the vaccine.

There is NO COST!

Report violations/fraud to 1-833-VAX-SCAM (1-833-829-7226)
or email STOPVAXFRAUD@health.ny.gov



DON'T FORGET YOUR MASK



Leaving home?

**Don't forget
your mask!**



MUTUAL AID NYC FOOD RESOURCES

MUTUAL AID NYC HOTLINE

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

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

ESPAÑOL

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

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

普通话

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

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

বাংলা

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

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

FRANÇAIS

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

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

العربية

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

CREOLE

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

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

हिन्दी

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

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

한국어

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

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

РУССКИЙ

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

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

اردو

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

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

646-437-8080

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

**MUTUAL
AID NYC**

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

NYC SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCE NETWORK

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SMALL BUSINESS
RESOURCE NETWORK

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

YOUR ONE-STOP SHOP FOR RECOVERY SUPPORT

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



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TECHNOLOGY
SUPPORT



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COUNSEL



BUSINESS
COACHING

SIGN UP — HERE IS HOW IT WORKS

1



Sign up by submitting
your business profile

2



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

3



Work with your
Specialist to assess your
business needs

4



Get personalized guidance
and access to resources for
your business

5 BOROUGHS. 1 RESOURCE NETWORK.

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



In collaboration with:



NYCSmallBusinessResourceNetwork.org



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

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

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

COVID-19 RAPID TESTING BROOKLYN LOCATIONS

ACPNY HOT SPOT RAPID TESTING: BROOKLYN APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED

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

Schedule Virtual Visit Screenings in Two Ways:

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

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

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

Results are communicated back to patient by ACPNY provider.

STOP THE SPREAD

Protect your community from COVID-19



Everyone must do their part.

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

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

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

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

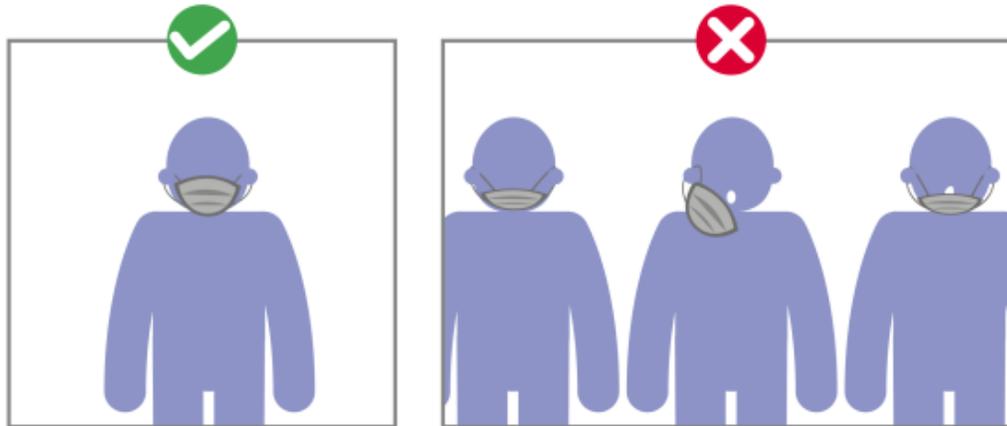
- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

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

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

WEARING FACE COVERINGS

Face Masks and Coverings for COVID-19



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

Putting On Face Covering

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

Taking Off Face Covering

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

AVOID SCAMS



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

SERVICES AND RESOURCES



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

It has information on the following categories:

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

Visit this [website](#) for resources.

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

Volunteer to Support

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

Free Internet Services:

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

The **Hebrew Educational Society** in partnership with MET Council has a food pantry that is open to all. To reserve a spot, visit [here](#).

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