



Assemblymember Demond L. Meeks



Spring 2025

Community Newsletter

“Happy Spring! While we continue our important work in Albany, I would like to take this opportunity to make you aware of several resources and events taking place within our community. Remember that our office is always here to serve you.”

— Assemblymember Demond L. Meeks

Free Community Events

ABC Community Action Month Celebration

Saturday, May 17th

12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

MLK Park, 353 Court Street

Join Action for a Better Community as they celebrate 60 years of Community Action!

Be informed! Be inspired!

19th Ward Community Association Square Fair

Saturday, June 7th

10:00 am

Aberdeen Square, 373 Aberdeen Street

The 19th Ward's annual neighborhood fair includes a lively parade, delicious pancake breakfast, games and activities for kids, local vendors, a book sale, and performances throughout the day.

Corn Hill Arts Festival

Saturday and Sunday, July 12th - 13th

10:00 am - 6:00 pm

133 South Fitzhugh Street

This two-day festival takes place over nine streets,

showcasing hundreds of artists from across the country, as well as talented musicians from near and far.

ROC the Peace Festival

Saturday, July 26th

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Jones Square Park, 170 Saratoga Avenue

Come together on Saturday, July 26th to promote positivity, awareness, and peace! Celebrations include guest speakers/dignitaries, performers, vendors, community resources, food, raffles, and more.

27th Annual Clarissa Street Reunion

Saturday, August 16th

10:00 am - 7:00 pm

Clarissa Street

Held annually since 1996, this reunion in the old 3rd Ward is a wonderful celebration of the memories, culture, and the relationships that defined Clarissa Street. Enjoy an evening of music, food, and arts!

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Food Pantries

Pantry	Address	Contact
Baden Street Settlement	13 Vienna Street	(585) 325-4910
Barakah Muslim Charity	584 Jefferson Avenue	(585) 325-2621
SWEM Community Services	1049 Wegman Road	(585) 235-4491
Charles Settlement House	71 Parkway	(585) 277-0810
The People's Pantry of Rochester	555 Avenue D	(585) 325-4950
Dimitri House	102 Union Street North	(585) 325-1796
Zion Hill Missionary Baptist Church	250 Dr. Samuel McCree Way	(585) 328-4660
First Hispanic 7th Day Adventist Church	47 Oakman Street	(585) 752-5766
Rochester Family Mission	388 Tremont Street	(585) 436-7523
House of Mercy	285 Ormond Street	(585) 546-2580
Trillium Health Daily Bread Food Program	259 Monroe Avenue	(585) 545-7220
Cameron Community Ministries	48 Cameron Street	(585) 254-2697
Veteran's Outreach Center	447 South Avenue	(585) 546-1081

Employment Assistance

Join Team OCFS

New York State Office of Children and Family Services Industry Residential Center will be recruiting prospective employees at a hiring event near you!

OCFS offers a variety of employment opportunities. Each job posting provides specific information on duties, qualifications, salary, and the application process. Scan the QR code to learn more.



ABC Workforce Development

Job placement assistance and coaching for individuals that are underemployed or unemployed.

Call: (585) 325-5116 ext. 3400

Scan the QR Code for a full list of statewide virtual and local workshops:



Numbers to Know

Eviction Prevention Resources

- **Tenant Defense Project**..... (585) 504-6195
- **Legal Aid Society**.....(585) 232-4090
- **Rochester City-Wide Tenant Union**..(585)-210-0705

Emergency Shelters and Transitional Housing

- **Monroe County
Department of Human Services** (585) 753-2780
- **Open Door Mission**
210 West Main Street(585) 423-1825
- **Family Promise of Greater Rochester**
(for at-risk families) 585-506-9050

Low-Income Health Clinics

- **Anthony L. Jordan Health Center**
82 Holland Street.....(585) 423-5800
- **Bethany House**
1111 Joseph Avenue (585) 454-4197
- **Brown Square Health Center**
322 Lake Avenue.....(585) 254-6480
- **Clinton Family Women's Health**
309 Upper Falls Boulevard (585) 922-0260
- **Genesee Health Service**
222-224 Alexander Street (585) 922-8003
- **Highland Family Medicine**
777 South Clinton Avenue(585) 279-4800
- **Unity Dental at Ridgeway**
2655 Ridgeway Avenue (585) 295-1890
- **Unity at St. Mary's**
89 Genesee Street.....(585) 368-3031
- **Woodward Health Center**
480 Genesee Street(585) 436-3040

Drug, Counseling, Recovery, and Case Management Services

- **Open Access: Delphi Rise**
835 West Main Street..... (585) 627-1777
- **Helio Detox - Rochester Evaluation Center**
1330 University Avenue(585) 287-5622
- **East House Health Home Care Management**
259 Monroe Avenue(585) 238-4846

- **Recovery Houses of Rochester**
1320 Buffalo Road(585) 802-8709
- **Veteran's Outreach Center**
459 South Avenue..... (585) 546-1081

Emergency Contacts

- **Animal Services**..... (585) 428-7274
- **Child Support** (888) 208-4485
- **COVID-19 Hotline** (585) 753-5555
- **Lifespan** (585) 244-8400
- **Missing Persons Unit** (585) 428-6595
- **Hope Place Mental Health Hotline**
..... 1-877-584-4673
- **Victim Assistance Unit**.....(585) 428-6630
- **Willow Domestic Violence Center**..... (585) 222-7233
- **Family Court Domestic Violence Services**
..... (585) 371-3544
- **Child Protective Services** (585) 461-5690
- **RESTORE Sexual Assault Services**... (585) 546-2777
- **LIFELINE** 2-1-1

New York State Agencies

- **Attorney General's Office**(212) 416-8090
- **Department of Health**.....(585) 423-8042
- **Department of Labor**..... (518) 457-9000
- **Department of Motor Vehicles** 1-800-698-2931
- **Department of Transportation**..... (585) 272-3300
- **Division of Human Rights** (585) 238-8250
- **Division of Veterans' Services**..... 1-888-838-7697
- **Housing Finance Agency**.....(212) 688-4000
- **Office of Addiction Services and Supports**
..... (518) 473-3460
- **Office of Mental Health**..... 1-800-597-8481
- **Office for People with Developmental Disabilities**
..... 1-866-946-9733
- **Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance**
.....1-800-342-3009
- **Workers' Compensation Board**877-632-4996

• See something? Say something.

Send an anonymous tip to Rochester Crime Stoppers.
Call or Text: 585-423-9300. Find out more at:
www.atf.gov/contact/submit-tip

Register for the School Tax Relief (STAR) Credit

The STAR Program provides millions of homeowners hundreds of dollars in savings each year. If you own your home, it's your primary residence, and your income is \$500,000 or less, you're eligible for the Basic STAR credit.

Call: (518) 457-2036

Visit: www.tax.ny.gov/star

Bus Passes for Veterans

The Veterans Outreach Center is proudly providing FREE bus passes to veterans. All veterans that meet the eligibility requirements can acquire a three-year pass with the RTS.

Contact the VOC to schedule an appointment: (585) 546-1081



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Unclaimed Funds

Every day, New York State returns \$1.5 million to those who file claims. This year, the Office of the NYS Comptroller has returned over \$160 million in unclaimed funds. Are any yours?

Search now at:
**[www.osc.ny.gov/
unclaimed-funds](http://www.osc.ny.gov/unclaimed-funds)**



Apply for HEAP Cooling Assistance!

The Home Energy Assistance Program is open for applications! Eligible households can receive a Cooling Assistance benefit towards the purchase and installation of an air conditioner, or a fan, to help your home stay cool.

Apply here: (585) 753-6477
**Visit: [otda.ny.gov/programs/
heap/](http://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/)**