Hate or discrimination on the basis of race, national origin, or other characteristics is not tolerated in NYC.

The New York City Commission on Human Rights (CCHR), the Office for the Prevention of Hate Crimes (OPHC), and the NYPD are monitoring and responding to reported hate and bias incidents related to COVID-19 and coronavirus.

If you or someone you know has been physically harassed or assaulted because of your identity—including your race, ethnicity, or religion—please call 911.

NYPD officers will not ask about the immigration status of anyone seeking help and language assistance is available. Officers can also help connect individuals to victim support services available to them.

You can also contact a Crime Victim Advocate to help deal with the emotional, physical, and financial aftermath of a crime, and explore other options. Call the All Crimes Hotline at 1-866-689-HELP (4357) TDD: 866-604-5350.

If you or someone you know has been harassed or discriminated against by a business, employer, or landlord because of your identity—please call 311 and say, “human rights.”

You are protected against discrimination in housing, at work, or in public places based on your race, national origin, age, immigration status, disability, or other protected classes under the NYC Human Rights Law. The New York City Commission on Human Rights is charged with the enforcement of this law. Violators may be required to pay penalties and/or damages to victims.

Do you need immigration assistance?

All New Yorkers, regardless of immigration status, can call the ActionNYC hotline for free, safe immigration legal help. Call the ActionNYC hotline at 1-800-354-0365, or call 311 and say, “ActionNYC.”

Are you seeking mental health support?

NYC Well is also available to support you with your mental health needs. Trained counselors can provide confidential support 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in more than 200 languages. Call 888-NYC-WELL, text “WELL” to 65173, or chat online at nyc.gov/nycwell.