

# COVID-19 (C19) DYCD PROGRAM AREA CHECK IN PROGRAM AREA: Runaway and Homeless Youth Services

March 23, 2020 - UPDATED January 4, 2021

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#### **ONGOING RESOURCES + UPDATES**

- Complete Online DOHMH Resources: Updated COVID-19 Information NYC DOHMH
- MOCS Guidance for HHS/Payments and Contracts: Guidance for Human Service Provider
- AbilityONE: <a href="https://www.abilityone.com/">https://www.abilityone.com/</a> for supplies and PPE.
- OCFS Guidance: <a href="https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/news/COVID-19/">https://ocfs.ny.gov/main/news/COVID-19/</a>. includes RHY Temporary Variance Request Form.
- ThriveNYC Mental Health Resources
- DYCD Program Updates
- Point Source Youth Weekly Webinars
- Childcare is available for RHY providers through the Department of Education's Regional Enrichment Centers (REC).
- A new supply request email <a href="mailto:RHYC19SupplyRequests@dycd.nyc.gov">RHYC19SupplyRequests@dycd.nyc.gov</a>
- April 9, 2020 and ongoing: Non-medical masks (not sterile) distributed to all sites
- Sending out Mayor's Daily COVID-19 Digest each day
- April 8, 2020 New Congregate Care Guidance from DOHMH
- NYC Well Resources Available
- May 5, 2020: Isolation Hotels are available for youth who are COVID positive or who have COVID like
  illnesses. Referral instructions have been distributed to RHY contracted programs. Please contact DYCD
  with any questions regarding the isolation hotel program.
- May 19, 2020: Updates to the drop-in center services. (For details see the table on the next page).
- May 26, 2020: Safe Horizon Streetwork Project drop in center is open to current crisis program residents.
- May 29, 2020: As part of the "Test, Trace and Take Care" initiative, RHY providers can reserve isolation hotels rooms by emailing: commcarecp@nychhc.org between the hours of 8:00 am and 9:00 pm.
- August 11, 2020: Email sent to providers. DYCD update regarding program monitoring and site visits. RHY
  is not changing our process except to continue virtual site visits. We expect this to be in place through
  October 2020. We will update if plans change.
- October 8, 2020 COVID 19 Zone Map for areas with increasing cases
- November 5, 2020 New York State Micro Cluster Information
- November 24, 2020 New York State COVID 19 Updates

## **UPDATES SINCE THE LAST REPORT**

• Street Outreach schedule is on page 4.

#### **ONGOING SINCE THE LAST REPORT**

• Rachel's Place TIL: Intake stopped temporarily. Site is still operational.

#### **GENERAL UPDATES**

- We know that your capacity changes depending on available staff and will fluctuate as circumstances change. Please email Randy Scott at <a href="mailto:rascott@dycd.nyc.gov">rascott@dycd.nyc.gov</a> if you are experiencing specific challenges and would like support to find an alternative available residential program. We will do our best to find a resource.
- Webex meetings have been scheduled on a bi-weekly basis. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2021.



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#### DYCD RHY PROGRAMS SCHEDULE & OPERATIONAL CHANGES

As we continue to manage the daily response to COVID19 it is important that DYCD and our providers support each other with accurate information that is shared across all channels in order to best serve youth. We will continue to work with you to develop creative solutions to ensure program continuity across the city.

# On January 4, 2021:

- All 51 residential programs are operational. 93% (724 of 777) of the beds are available and the rest are being used for social distancing.
- 113 beds were available for 16 to 20-year olds, and 3 beds were available for 21 to 24-year olds.
- All Drop in Centers are currently offering in person services.

# DROP IN CENTER SCHEDULES (click here for contact information)

Provider/Borough	In Person	Service Modifications (new this week in bold)
	Services	
Ali Forney Center	Available	In person services: Mon to Friday, 10am to 6pm
Manhattan		including bagged meals, PPE, hygiene kits, mail
		distribution, housing referrals. New intakes available, 2
		per day. Medical/psychiatric services available onsite.
		Overnight services available from 8pm-8am, Monday-
		Friday. Sign up with your case manager on Mondays by
		2pm for a 1 week reservation. Can accommodate 8-10
		youth. Hot supper served at 8:30 pm for clients staying
		overnight. Effective July 22, 2020.
		Virtual support, including telehealth, being provided as well. Phone: 212-206-0574
Cardinal McCloskey	Available	In person services: 24H a day Monday – Friday.
Community Services Bronx		Overnight services on Saturday and Sunday. Effective July 13, 2020.
		Referrals and case management also available by phone.
Project Hospitality, Inc  Staten Island	Available	In person services: 10am – 7am (21 hours)
		Effective November 30, 2020: New intakes are available
		for those with immediate housing needs. COVID 19
		testing for youth accessing the site is recommended.
		Call for more information: (718) 876-4752 or email
		YDICOutreach@projecthospitality.org



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SCO Family of Services Brooklyn	Available	In person services: 7am to 11pm (services; food, shower, case management) Effective July 8, 2020.
Sheltering Arms Children and Family Services – Jamaica Site Queens	Available	In-person services: Open 24/7
Sheltering Arms Children and Family Services, Inc. Far Rockaway Site Queens	Available	In person services: Tuesday through Saturday 11am – 7pm. Social distancing and other DOH health guidelines will be followed. Effective July 7, 2020
The Door <b>Manhattan</b>	Available	In person services: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 am to 6 pm for services at the entrance. Effective November 5, 2020.
		In person services include includes access to food, clothing and health center needs. Access to computers is available. Remote services continue to be available for housing and health care referrals, legal services, recreation, and counseling and mental health support.
Safe Horizon Streetwork Project Harlem Site	Available	In person services: Every day but Wednesday from 12pm to 5pm.
Manhattan		Access to inside is limited to current Streetwork shelter residents and/or services, such as showers, that are not accessible at the entrance. Staff assess and determine who is able to enter the program. All other services (including to-go meals, needle exchange, hygiene products, shelter referrals, baby supplies, PPE, food pantry, etc.) available at the door. Remote services also available. Showers are not available on Saturday or Sunday. Up to four intakes per day on Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri. Weekend intakes for minors only.

### **RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS**

- 10 of 10 crisis services programs are operational.
- 41 of 41 transitional independent living services are operational.

# **STREET OUTREACH**



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The schedule may change, so please review updates at @streetworknyc on Instagram.

DAY	LOCATION
Monday 01/04	NORTHERN ZONE: Manhattan, NY
	Washington/Hudson Heights
	181 Saint Nicholas, New York, NY, 10033
	Team: Liz +Sylvia
	Outreach Time: 12-5pm
Tuesday 01/05	SOUTHERN ZONE: Brooklyn, NY
	1.NYCHA- Surfside Gardens
	2940 W 31st St, Brooklyn, NY 11224
	2.Coney Island Boardwalk
	Team: Bianca + Natalie (relief)
	Outreach Time: 11-4pm
Thursday 01/07	NORTHERN ZONE: Bronx
	1.3 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue + 149 <sup>th</sup> St
	2.NYCHA – Mary Park Community Center
	595 Trinity Ave, The Bronx, NY 10455
	Team: Sylvia + Amanda (temp)
	Outreach Time: 11-4pm
Saturday 01/09	SOUTHERN ZONE: Staten Island
	1.Staten Island Ferry
	St George Ferry/S62, Staten Island, NY 10301
	2.Staten Island Mall
	2655 Richmond Ave, Staten Island, NY 10314
	<b>Team</b> : Bianca + Amanda (temp)
	Outreach Time: 11-4 pm
Sunday 01/10	NORTHERN ZONE: Queens, NY
	The Shops at Skyview Center
	40-24 College Point Blvd, Queens, NY 11354
	Team: Natalie (relief) + Amanda (temp)
	Outreach Time: 11-4pm