



MOIA Update

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Dear Member of the Media,

On this National Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Day Against Bullying and Hate, we affirm that there is no place for hate, harassment, or discrimination in New York City. And this **Saturday, May 22 from 12pm-3pm**, we invite our local community members to join "[Spread Love: Stop Asian Hate](#)," a mural unveiling and outdoor community celebration with FREE food, music, performances, healing art, and other programs along Eldridge Street, between Delancey and Rivington Street (160 Edridge Street). A COVID-19 vaccine van and Test + Trace van will be on-site from 8am-6pm to support vaccination and testing efforts.

- In celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM) and in response to anti-Asian harassment, violence, and racism across the nation towards communities of color, the public mural by New York-based Korean and Spanish artist Bianca Romero aims to hold space for AAPI communities and the public to heal while providing a vision for a more just city and world.
- Visit [nyc.gov/TRIE](https://nyc.gov/TRIE) for more information from hosts Thrive Collective, the NY Chinese Alliance Church, the NYC Mayor's Office, the City's Taskforce on Racial Inclusion and Equity (TRIE), and City agencies. Go to [on.nyc.gov/SpreadLoveToolkit](https://on.nyc.gov/SpreadLoveToolkit) for tools to help promote this event. Find and share more resources and information in the City's social media toolkit for APAHM: [on.nyc.gov/APAHM](https://on.nyc.gov/APAHM).

As we celebrate APAHM, Jewish American Heritage Month, and also [Haitian Flag Day](#) today, it is important to reflect on the immense contributions of the AAPI, Jewish, and Haitian communities to our city and country, as well as to explore their rich histories and show support against the challenges they continue to face.

As we continue the fight against COVID-19, our communities continue to find innovative ways of coming together in celebration. Last week, we joined our Muslim communities to celebrate the end of Ramadan and Eid Al-Fitr. MOIA organizers teamed up with partners to [distribute food and resources](#) on Staten Island and [in Little Yemen](#), and shared COVID-19 vaccine and testing information [through multilingual videos](#). Additionally, the City's Commission on Human Rights shared [best practices](#) for serving Muslims during Ramadan with City vaccination sites.

Unfortunately, our Muslim communities also faced bigotry during this time. As Muslims in Coney Island gathered to celebrate Eid, they were met with hateful anti-Palestinian language scrawled on the side of their mosque. An attack on Muslim New Yorkers is an attack on all New Yorkers. We stand in solidarity with our Muslim and Palestinian neighbors and those of all faiths who have been targeted by violence and bigotry in NYC.

From India to Colombia, from Israel to Palestine, the struggle against hate and oppression is a global fight that reaches the shores of our global city every day. To so many New Yorkers

worried for their families and friends, please know: your city is here for you. [NYC Well](#) is available with free mental health support whenever you need it.

Please also share the following **Immigration Policy Developments** and **Citywide Updates** with your network.

As a reminder, many [City services](#) are available for all New Yorkers. Immigration status does not matter. Download and print a quick and easy road map of these resources:

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## **IMMIGRATION POLICY DEVELOPMENTS**

### **New MOIA Fact Sheet on NYC Impact of Immigration Policy Developments**

During a [press briefing](#) on the future of immigration in New York City with former MOIA Commissioner Bitta Mostofi, who [recently departed](#) from the de Blasio administration, MOIA released a [new fact sheet](#) highlighting the estimated impact of immigration policy developments on New York City.

Since President Biden's inauguration, the federal administration and Congress have introduced a number of bills that would provide protections for different undocumented populations in the country. The bills include the U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021 and the American Dream and Promise Act of 2021, and protections for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) and Deferred Enforced Departure (DED) holders.

This fact sheet presents the estimated impact that these bills could have on New York City residents if passed, including a demographic snapshot of the communities who may benefit. The U.S. Citizenship Act of 2021 could benefit up to 476,000 New Yorkers, while the American Dream and Promise Act may benefit up to 100,000 New Yorkers. Read the full fact sheet at [on.nyc.gov/moiafactsheet](https://on.nyc.gov/moiafactsheet).

However, while MOIA celebrates federal bills that build towards inclusive and humane immigration reform, **it is important for immigrant communities to know that there has not yet been any change in law, which means there is no new visa or application to fill out.**

To connect with City-funded, free and safe immigration legal help and to learn more, New York City residents, regardless of immigration status, can call ActionNYC at 1-800-354-0365, Monday through Friday from 9 am to 6 pm.

The virtual event also highlighted new data about New York City's immigrant communities from [MOIA's 2020 Annual Report](#) and the agency's work during Commissioner Mostofi's tenure to serve, empower, and advocate for immigrant New Yorkers across all levels of government.

### Some key findings from the report include:

- Immigrants form 36% of the city's population and 43% of its workforce
- 62% of New Yorkers live in families with at least one immigrant
- 80% of undocumented immigrants are in the labor force compared to 65% of the U.S.-born population
- Over half (57%) of undocumented immigrants in NYC have lived in the U.S. for 10 or more years

### Cities for Action Calls on Congress for Immigrant Inclusion

The Cities for Action (C4A) coalition and the National Partnership for New Americans (NPNA) [recently released a letter](#) to Congressional leaders supporting their efforts to reform the immigration system and urging them to advance inclusive policies that will help ensure that immigrants are able to meet their full potential. The letter was signed by 22 mayors and county executives from across the country.

The letter urges Congress to follow the lead of local leaders who have been at the forefront of immigrant and refugee integration, and calls for legislation that creates a road to citizenship and provisions to invest in immigrant communities. Among other provisions, the letter supports a legal services grant program to help eligible immigrants to naturalize and get other immigration benefits, a workforce development and English-language learning program, and the establishment of a National Office of New Americans.

The letter comes as Congress is actively considering immigration reform, including legislation that passed in the House of Representatives that would create a road to citizenship for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) and Temporary Protected Status (TPS) recipients and agricultural workers. [Learn more at the C4A website.](#)

*"As the ultimate city of immigrants, NYC is proof that fully integrating immigrants into the fabric of our communities only makes us stronger. Our City's inclusive policies and programs have helped us reach and address the needs of communities with critical information and services during the largest global public health crisis of our lifetime,"* said **New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio**. *"I am proud to join cities and localities across the country that have been leading the charge on integration efforts and urging Congress to take the common-sense steps we need to build a national integration strategy. Truly successful immigration reform must go hand in hand with efforts to ensure our immigrant residents are civically, economically, and socially engaged in our society."*

### Biden Introduces American Jobs Plan and the American Families Plan

President Biden introduced two new plans that could have important impacts for infrastructure in communities around the country, make investments in industries where immigrant workers are heavily represented, and expand opportunities for Dreamers.

At the end of March, President Biden announced a COVID-19 recovery infrastructure package, the [American Jobs Plan](#), which would invest over \$2 trillion in transportation, clean drinking water, and broadband access, among others. The Plan would also create infrastructure in the care economy, including benefits and fair wages.

The President also unveiled the [American Families Plan](#) to implement universal preschool for three- and four-year olds and two years of free community college, including for Dreamers; expand Pell grants, with access for Dreamers; create a national paid leave program; and expand tax credits for families and workers, among other proposals.

There has been a push by advocacy organizations and members of Congress to include [a pathway to citizenship](#) for Dreamers, TPS recipients, and immigrant essential workers in the next recovery package.

It is important to remember that these plans are not yet in effect, but MOIA will continue to keep communities informed around these developments.

### **Refugee Admissions Ceiling for FY21 Increased to 62,5000**

On May 3rd, President Biden [announced](#) that his administration will raise the refugee admissions ceiling for Fiscal Year 2021 to 62,500, from the historic low of 15,000 set by former President Trump.

### **Department of Justice Ends Grant Limitations for “Sanctuary Cities”**

The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) recently ended a Trump-era policy that prevented cities that limit cooperation with federal immigration authorities from accessing a \$250 million grant program for public safety.

The City of New York joined a legal battle against this policy, knowing that it would only hinder our ability to protect New Yorkers. [Fortunately, the City won this fight](#). Our communities are safer when no one has to fear speaking up about a crime.

### **DHS Limits ICE Enforcement Near Courthouses**

On April 27, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) [issued a memo](#) that limits ICE's ability to carry out enforcement arrests in and near courts. The memo applies only to civil enforcement (meaning for immigration-related violations) and enforcement encounters (meaning things like arrests, subpoenas, surveillance) and not to other actions (i.e. meetings, record-collection).

The memo, as well as an [updated FAQ](#), describes "near" courthouses to mean in "close vicinity," including entrance/exit areas, parking lots, and transportation points (i.e. bus stops outside courthouse). However, this definition does NOT include adjacent houses or buildings, and there are some exceptions as to when ICE can conduct enforcement actions.

## **Immigrants Will Be Included in 2020 Census Counts**

As part of [a new settlement around a lawsuit related to the 2020 Census](#), the U.S. Department of Commerce recognized that data concerning citizenship or immigration status cannot be used in the process of divvying up congressional seats among the states or redrawing congressional or legislative districts on the basis of their immigration status. Following President Biden's rescission of the former president's memos attempting to exclude certain immigrants, this decision confirms once again that immigrants will be fully represented in reapportioning congressional seats and redistricting.

The first set of Census 2020 numbers—which includes state population numbers used to reallocate House seats and Electoral College votes—were released on April 26. New York State, which was projected to lose 2 seats, lost only one.

The second set of numbers—which includes information about race, ethnicity, age and sex, as well as population numbers for cities and counties—will be released by around August 16. That more detailed demographic information will be used to redraw voting districts and guide the distribution of an estimated \$1.5 trillion a year in federal money for Medicare, Medicaid, education and other public services for local communities.

## **USCIS Request for Public Comment on Barriers to Immigration Benefits**

Following up on the February 2nd executive order on "Restoring Faith in Our Legal Immigration Systems and Strengthening Integration and Inclusion Efforts for New Americans," USCIS is seeking input on how to reduce administrative and other barriers and burdens within its regulations and policies, including those that prevent foreign citizens from easily obtaining access to immigration services and benefits.

MOIA is currently drafting a comment for submission focused on how USCIS can change its customer service tools and opportunities to make it easier for applicants to know what is happening in their cases. The official request for public comment can be found [here](#), and the deadline for submission is May 19th.

## **CITYWIDE UPDATES**

### **No Appointment Needed to Get A Free COVID-19 Vaccine, Bring Your IDNYC**

**All New Yorkers 12 years of age and older are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine and can walk into City-run vaccine sites to get vaccinated.** Learn more at [on.nyc.gov/walkupvax](https://on.nyc.gov/walkupvax). You can also schedule a vaccination appointment at [vax4nyc.nyc.gov](https://vax4nyc.nyc.gov) or call 877-VAX-4NYC. Please share these graphics announcing walk-up vaccinations: [English](#) | [Español](#) | [繁體中文](#) | [简体中文](#)

**Additionally, adolescents ages 12 through 15 years can now receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.** To find a vaccination site near you, including those that take appointments, use the City's Vaccine Finder at [nyc.gov/vaccinefinder](https://nyc.gov/vaccinefinder) and search by vaccine brand 'Pfizer'.

Walk-up appointments are also available at the **NYC Vaccine Bus, which will be located this week in neighborhoods across the five boroughs.** Community members can make an appointment by calling 877-VAX-4NYC (877-829-4692) and asking for the "vaccine mobile clinic" or online at [vax4nyc.nyc.gov](https://vax4nyc.nyc.gov). **Learn more about Vaccine Bus schedules and locations at [nyc.gov/vcc](https://nyc.gov/vcc).**

The vaccine bus offers the Johnson & Johnson vaccine to adults 18+. Interpreters who speak multiple languages can assist on site. Help share the latest information on the Johnson & Johnson vaccine with these multilingual graphics [here](#).

Other Languages: [Español](#) | [Русский](#) | [繁體中文](#) | [简体中文](#) | [Kreyòl ayisyen](#) | [한국어](#) | [বাংলা](#) | [Italiano](#) | [Polski](#) | [العربية](#) | [Français](#) | [עברית](#) | [اردو](#)

Community members should bring a form of picture ID, such as IDNYC, to the vaccine bus or walk-in to a vaccination site. No other documents are required.

**Reminder: New Yorkers can use IDNYC as proof of age to get the COVID-19 vaccine.**

Help spread the message with the [new IDNYC vaccine toolkit](#) with graphics in 25 languages. You can #RenewYourIDNYC online today at [nyc.gov/IDNYC](https://nyc.gov/IDNYC) to continue getting all the [benefits](#) that come with having an IDNYC.

*Vaccine Support for Seniors & Homebound New Yorkers*

City residents 65+ and those with disabilities who have no other way to get to a vaccination site can get free transportation to appointments by calling 877-VAX-4NYC (877-829-4692). If you cannot leave your home, you can [sign up for an in-home vaccination online](#) or by calling 877-VAX-4NYC (877-829-4692).

*NYC Health Vaccine Videos*

The NYC Health Department recently launched multicultural and multilingual vaccination ad campaigns by and for NYC's Spanish, Haitian Creole, Yiddish, Russian, Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, Bengali and Urdu-speaking communities. These include videos tailored to different communities urging New Yorkers to be vaccinated:

- ["Get Back"](#): Video aimed at reaching Black New Yorkers

- [“Vacúnate. Por...”](#) (“Get Vaccinated. For...”): Video aimed at reaching Latinx New Yorkers
- [“The Joys of Life”](#): Video aimed at reaching Chinese, Korean, Bengali and Urdu-speaking New Yorkers
- [“Almost There”](#): Video aimed at reaching Orthodox Jewish New Yorkers

In addition, the Health Department will begin airing a new public-service announcement featuring leading doctors at the Health Department to address vaccine confidence, medical mistrust, and racism. Watch the video [here](#). Share these videos with your communities and encourage them to get vaccinated.

## Ranked Choice Voting is Here!

In the upcoming Primary Elections on June 22 and during early voting from June 12 - 20, millions of New Yorkers citywide will use Ranked Choice Voting. Ranked Choice Voting is a new system of voting in which you can rank up to five candidates in order of preference, and will now be used in all primary and special elections in NYC. With so much at stake in local elections and the implementation of this new voting system, public education is even more important than ever this year.

To help prepare NYC for the elections, DemocracyNYC and community-based partners across the city have developed resources educating New Yorkers around how to use the new Ranked Choice Voting system. These include [customized, culturally-relevant practice ballots in 15 languages that allow New Yorkers to practice ranking their preferences](#).

**Help New Yorkers practice Ranked Choice Voting by sharing resources from new multilingual toolkits with your networks and on social media:**  
[on.nyc.gov/PracticeRCVToolkit](https://on.nyc.gov/PracticeRCVToolkit) and [on.nyc.gov/RCVToolkit](https://on.nyc.gov/RCVToolkit).

## Sign Up to be a Poll Site Language Assistant

The Civic Engagement Commission (CEC) is looking for interpreters and coordinators to assist with the [Poll Site Language Assistance Program](#) during the last weekend of early voting for the June 2021 primary on Saturday, June 19 (8am-5pm), Sunday, June 20 (8am-4pm), and Election Day on June 22 (5am-10pm).

The Poll Site Language Assistance Program provides interpretation services at select poll sites citywide in Arabic, Bangla, Chinese (Cantonese & Mandarin), French, Haitian Creole, Italian, Korean, Polish, Russian, Urdu, and Yiddish.

Interpreters will be responsible for assisting voters in casting a ballot and interpreting between the Board of Election Poll Workers and voters. Coordinators will be responsible for gathering and inputting operational data and ensuring interpreters have the support they need.

If you are interested in working on the Poll Site Language Assistance Program for the June 2021 primary election, [please reach out to the Big Word here](#).

## Celebrate APAHM

In addition to the [“Spread Love: Stop Asian Hate”](#) Mural Unveiling and Community Celebration on May 22nd, as noted above, the City is celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM) in many other ways this year. Find and share more resources and information in the City’s social media toolkit: [on.nyc.gov/APAHM](https://on.nyc.gov/APAHM).

### *Commemorate AAPI Heritage Month With Virtual Series Quiet Before*

Throughout Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month this May, tune in to **Quiet Before**, a six-part virtual series examining Anti-Asian violence from its many complex angles. *Quiet Before* features curated conversations and live panels around comprehensive topics including History, Today, The Future, Policy, Culture and Education. Through this series, the AAPI community embraces an opportunity for oral history, new conversations, and organizing for the future. **Register for *Quiet Before* [here](#).**

### *Resources*

Every New Yorker can play a role in protecting our Asian communities. Learn more at [nyc.gov/stopasianhate](https://nyc.gov/stopasianhate) and contact [trainings@cchr.nyc.gov](mailto:trainings@cchr.nyc.gov) to request a bystander intervention training for your organization.

**What is a hate crime?** The NYC Mayor’s Office for the Prevention of Hate Crimes has created a fact sheet that details what a hate crime is and what one should do if you encounter one. View the fact sheet in: [English](#) | [Español \(Spanish\)](#) | [عربي \(Arabic\)](#) | [اردو \(Urdu\)](#) | [Kreyòl Ayisyen \(Haitian Creole\)](#) | [한국어 \(Korean\)](#) | [বাংলা \(Bengali\)](#) | [русский \(Russian\)](#) | [Français \(French\)](#) | [Polskie \(Polish\)](#) | [简体中文 \(Chinese -Simplified\)](#) | [繁體中文 \(Chinese - Traditional\)](#)

If you are a victim of or witness a hate crime, call 911. When you call, say the name of your language if you need interpretation services. NYPD officers are not allowed to ask about your immigration status.

If you or someone you know has faced harassment or discrimination in any public place, in housing, or at work, contact the NYC Commission on Human Rights by calling 212-416-0197 or by reporting it online at [nyc.gov/reportdiscrimination](https://nyc.gov/reportdiscrimination). Reports can be filed anonymously.

On top of the challenges of the pandemic, hate and racist violence — witnessed again and again across the country and experienced in our own lives and communities — have a profound effect on our mental health. This **Mental Health Awareness Month**, it’s important for New Yorkers to know that they can seek

support anytime. That's why First Lady Chirlane McCray and city leaders [held a Community and Ethnic Media Virtual Roundtable last week](#) to discuss steps the City is taking to erase the stigma around mental health and to provide guaranteed access to mental health care to all New Yorkers, particularly those in communities hardest-hit by COVID-19.

All New Yorkers should also know that City resources are available to help manage your mental health. If you are feeling stressed or anxious, NYC Well can connect you with confidential support and mental health care resources in your community and in your language. Call 888-NYC-WELL, text "WELL" to 65173, or chat online at [nyc.gov/nycwell](https://nyc.gov/nycwell).

## **Eviction Protections Extended Through August 31st**

Governor Cuomo recently extended the COVID-19 Emergency Eviction and Foreclosure Prevention Act through August 31, 2021.

This means that some New Yorkers may be able to protect themselves from eviction through that date by submitting a Hardship Declaration to their landlord or an agent of their landlord. If you have lost income or faced increased expenses during the pandemic, or if moving would pose a significant health risk or hardship for a member of your household, you can submit a Hardship Declaration form by email, certified mail, or provide it to your landlord in person. In addition to submitting to your landlord, you should also email a copy of the form to the housing court in your borough:

- BRONX: [BronxHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov](mailto:BronxHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov)
- BROOKLYN: [KingsHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov](mailto:KingsHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov)
- MANHATTAN: [NewYorkHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov](mailto:NewYorkHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov)
- QUEENS: [QueensHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov](mailto:QueensHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov)
- STATEN ISLAND: [RichmondHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov](mailto:RichmondHardshipDeclaration@nycourts.gov)

The Hardship Declaration form is available in 17 languages at [nycourts.gov/eefpa](https://nycourts.gov/eefpa). For help completing the form and to learn more, call 311 and say, "Tenant Helpline."

You can also find more information online at the [Mayor's Office to Protect Tenant's \(MOPT\) website](#) and [MOPT's Tenant Resource Portal](#).

## **New Broadband Support for Eligible New Yorkers**

### *Federal Support*

Starting on May 12, 2021, qualified New York City residents can receive a temporary discount on current or a new monthly broadband subscription.

- Eligible New York City residents can receive a discount of up to \$50 per month for broadband service, equipment, and device rentals.
- Program participants can receive a one-off discount of up to \$100 towards the purchase of a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer (with a co-payment of \$10 - \$50), where available.

This discount is available as part of the Federal Communications Commission's Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB), a \$3.2 billion dollar short-term emergency subsidy program during the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds will be allocated to qualifying or low-income households on a first-come, first-serve basis for as long as funds last, so sign up now.

A household is eligible if one member of the household:

- Participates in the Lifeline program;
- Is a Pell Grant recipient;
- Qualifies for the free/reduced-price school lunch or breakfast program;
- Experienced substantial loss of income since February 29, 2020 (and the household had a total income in 2020 below \$99,000 for single filers and \$198,000 for joint filers);
- Or is enrolled in a participating internet service providers' existing low-income or COVID-19 program.

Applications are open at [usac.org](https://usac.org), and New Yorkers can use IDNYC as proof of identity. Click [here](#) for more information on the program, and click [here](#) for a list of participating internet service providers. New Yorkers can go to [nyc.gov/broadbandbenefit](https://nyc.gov/broadbandbenefit) for additional support.

### *State Support*

New York State's new budget law requires large internet service providers (that serve more than 20,000 households in NYS) to offer high-speed connections at \$15 per month to low-income customers by mid-June.

For \$15 a month, customers will have access to high-speed internet with download speeds of at least 25 Mbps. That's enough to surf the web and stream television. For \$20 per month, customers will have access to high-speed internet with download speeds of 200 Mbps.

The service will be available to a household whose member is eligible for at least one of the following:

- Free or reduced-priced lunch through the National School Lunch Program;
- SNAP;
- Medicaid;

- Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption;
- Disability Rent Increase Exemption;
- Or utility affordability benefit.

Learn more at [nysbroadband.ny.gov](https://nysbroadband.ny.gov).

## **Restaurant Owners: Apply Now for Federal Relief, Fair Share NYC is Here to Help**

The federal [Restaurant Revitalization Fund \(RRF\)](#) provides non-taxable grants to restaurants hit hardest by the COVID-19 crisis.

Applications will be accepted until funds run out. Individual restaurants may qualify for up to \$5 million and restaurant groups may be eligible for up to \$10 million in grant funding. This grant is designed to reimburse you for any revenue your business lost between 2019 and 2020.

If you are interested in applying, you should do so as soon as possible. The SBA has already received over 266,000 applications and funds will likely run out soon.

You can get help with your applications through [Fair Share NYC: Restaurants](#), the City's program to help eligible restaurants prepare their application and through weekly webinars, virtual one-on-one sessions with trained counselors. You can also get additional information about other programs and services that can help local businesses.

## **Sign Up Now to Join We Speak NYC's Sixth Cycle of Online Classes**

The Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs' [We Speak NYC](#), a free English language learning program, is continuing to offer online conversation classes. New Yorkers can sign up at [nyc.gov/learnenglish](https://nyc.gov/learnenglish).

Classes are led by trained facilitators and encourage participation, providing a safe space for learners to practice their English conversation skills and make mistakes, be part of an online community and safely meet new people, and learn about NYC resources. Classes are intended for intermediate English language learners. New Yorkers can sign up for a class, get reminders, and other educational materials at [nyc.gov/learnenglish](https://nyc.gov/learnenglish).

**Download We Speak NYC flyers:** [English](#) | [العربية](#) | [বাঙালি](#) | [简体中文](#) | [Français](#) | [Kreyòl Ayisyen](#) | [Español](#)

## **Apply by May 21: Future Code Web Development Training Program**

There is a new opportunity for New Yorkers looking to begin a new career in web development! "Future Code: Diversifying the Future of Web Development in NYC" is a 28-week training program designed to prepare New Yorkers with no previous professional web development experience for careers in web development at salaries of \$65,000 or more.

All New Yorkers can apply, and fellows who are selected for the program will receive support including an introduction to coding, career coaching, lectures and workshops, and a weekly living stipend. Learn more and apply today at [bit.ly/NYCFutureCode](https://bit.ly/NYCFutureCode).

### **Apply by June 1: COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Partner Engagement Project**

The Fund for Public Health for New York City has issued a new Request for Proposal (RFP) for community partners to develop and implement tailored, accessible, diverse, and culturally-relevant messages and engagement for disproportionately impacted neighborhoods to increase vaccine awareness, health literacy, and confidence. Community and/or Faith-Based Organizations serving one or more of the City's Taskforce neighborhoods, in addition to membership organizations with members serving one or more of the Taskforce neighborhoods, are invited to apply.

Approximately \$9 million in private and federal funding will be available to support up to 40 awards through this RFP, with an average award size of \$200,000. Successful proposals will be funded for a six-month project period, with contracts expected to begin on a rolling basis between June 25, 2021 and July 15, 2021. Learn more and apply today at [fphnyc.org/get-involved/requests-proposals](https://fphnyc.org/get-involved/requests-proposals).

### **Apply by June 30: Funding Opportunity for Promoting Peace and Public Safety this Summer**

The "**Safe in the City**" Grant, offered by the NYC Office of Neighborhood Safety's gun violence team, is providing between \$500 and \$1,000 grants for individuals and groups working to promote peace and COVID-19 safety in communities across the City this summer. Applications are being accepted until June 30. View more information and apply [here](#).

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