

Mayor's Fund to Advance New York City 2010 Holiday Gift Giving Guide

Help build a stronger New York by supporting one or more of these innovative programs addressing some of NYC's greatest needs. For each donation, we will send a letter to the recipient of your choice detailing the gift and program information. Please make your donation today by calling **212-788-7794**.

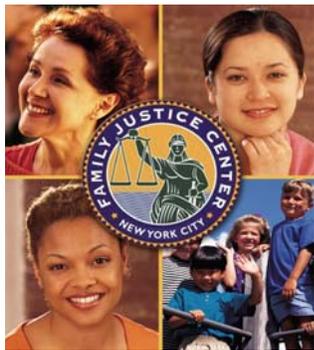


ADOPT A SCHOOL GARDEN

School garden programs help NYC's youth improve their academic performance by increasing science scores and fostering knowledge retention and creativity. They can also reduce rates of obesity and diabetes. Children who know where their food comes from make healthier food choices. Over 80% of public schools in the City do not yet have access to a garden.

\$500 will support the purchase of seeds, compost, mulch, plants, and tools to rebuild an under-utilized garden.

\$1,500 will help establish a new garden and purchase soil, compost, materials for raised beds, a full set of tools, seeds, and plants.



HELP VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THEIR CHILDREN

The City's Family Justice Centers in the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Queens provide victims of domestic violence with comprehensive centralized services to help break the cycle of violence.

\$160 will help one client obtain self-sufficiency services, including job readiness services, ESL classes, financial coaching, and housing assistance.

\$1,250 provides counseling sessions for a child for up to one year.



BUY A TREE AND HELP MAKE THE CITY GREENER AND GREATER

MillionTreesNYC is helping New Yorkers for generations to come by growing the City's urban forest by 20%. Trees absorb pollutants, lower building temperatures in the summer, and increase property value.

\$100 will plant a young, small tree in a park.

\$500 will plant a mature, larger tree in a public school yard.



HELP A NYC YOUTH GET EARLY WORK EXPERIENCE

Support the Summer Youth Employment Program, which provides NYC's youth ages 14-24 with summer employment and educational opportunities.

\$1,500 will sponsor one youth in the 7-week summer program.



PLEASE DONATE YOUR TIME AND TALENT

Make a difference in the lives of others and your own by volunteering this holiday season. Visit www.nycservice.org to find a volunteer opportunity that matches your interests or skill sets and give back your way!