

130 GREENPOINT AVE, SOUTH VIEW



130 GREENPOINT AVE, CORNER VIEW





807 MANHATTAN AVE, CORNER VIEW



807 MANHATTAN AVE, WEST VIEW





171 CALYER ST, CORNER VIEW



171 CALYER ST, SOUTH VIEW, RENDERING





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● 138 GREENPOINT AVE



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• 144 FRANKLIN ST



171 CALYER ST



894 MANHATTAN AVE



807 MANHATTAN AVE





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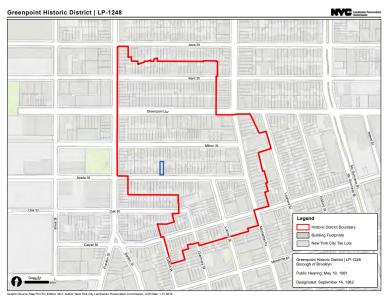
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# 113 NOBLE STREET **RESIDENCE**

113 NOBLE STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11222



113 NOBLE STREET, GREENPOINT HISTORIC DISTRICT LPC MAP



113 NOBLE STREET, NYC DIGITAL TAX LOT MAP

## 113 NOBLE STREET

BLOCK: 2566 NO. OF STORIES: 3 + BASEMENT, CELLAR &

LOT: 73 PENTHOUSE

ZONE: R6B EX'G BUILDING HEIGHT: 35'-6" MAP: 13A PROPOSED BUILDING HEIGHT: 48'-1"

## **SCOPE OF WORK**

## FRONT FACADE RESTORATION TO INCLUDE:

REPLACEMENT OF FRONT FACADE WINDOWS;

REPLACEMENT OF FRONT FACADE SIDING;

REPLACEMENT OF 1ST FLOOR FRONT ENTRY DOOR;

REFURBISHMENT OF FRONT FACADE ORIGINAL CORNICE & DOOR SURROUND;

REPLACEMENT OF FRONT STOOP;

IMPROVEMENTS TO FRONT AREAWAY;

INSTALLATION OF NEW IRONWORK AT FRONT FACADE STOOP.

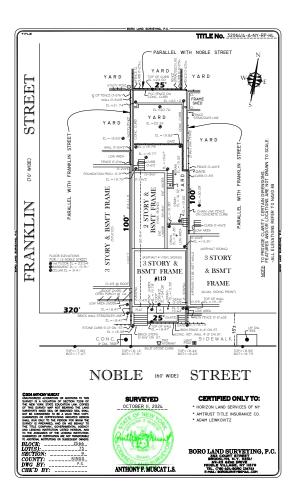
#### REAR/ROOF EXTERIOR RENOVATIONS TO INCLUDE:

REBUILDING OF REAR EXTENSION/FACADE WITH NEW WINDOWS AND DOORS;

INSTALLATION OF NEW PENTHOUSE AT ROOF;

INSTALLATION OF NEW STEEL DECK & STAIR FROM 1ST FLOOR TO REAR YARD;

CHANGES TO REAR YARD



113 NOBLE STREET, PROPERTY SURVEY



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113 NOBLE STREET, 2025 PHOTO

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3-STORY

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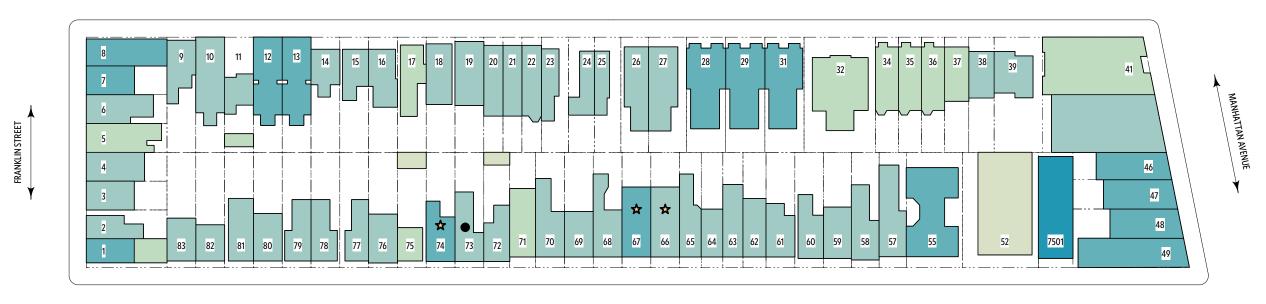
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ROWHOUSE WITH VERTICAL EXTENSION





## **#113 NOBLE STREET**

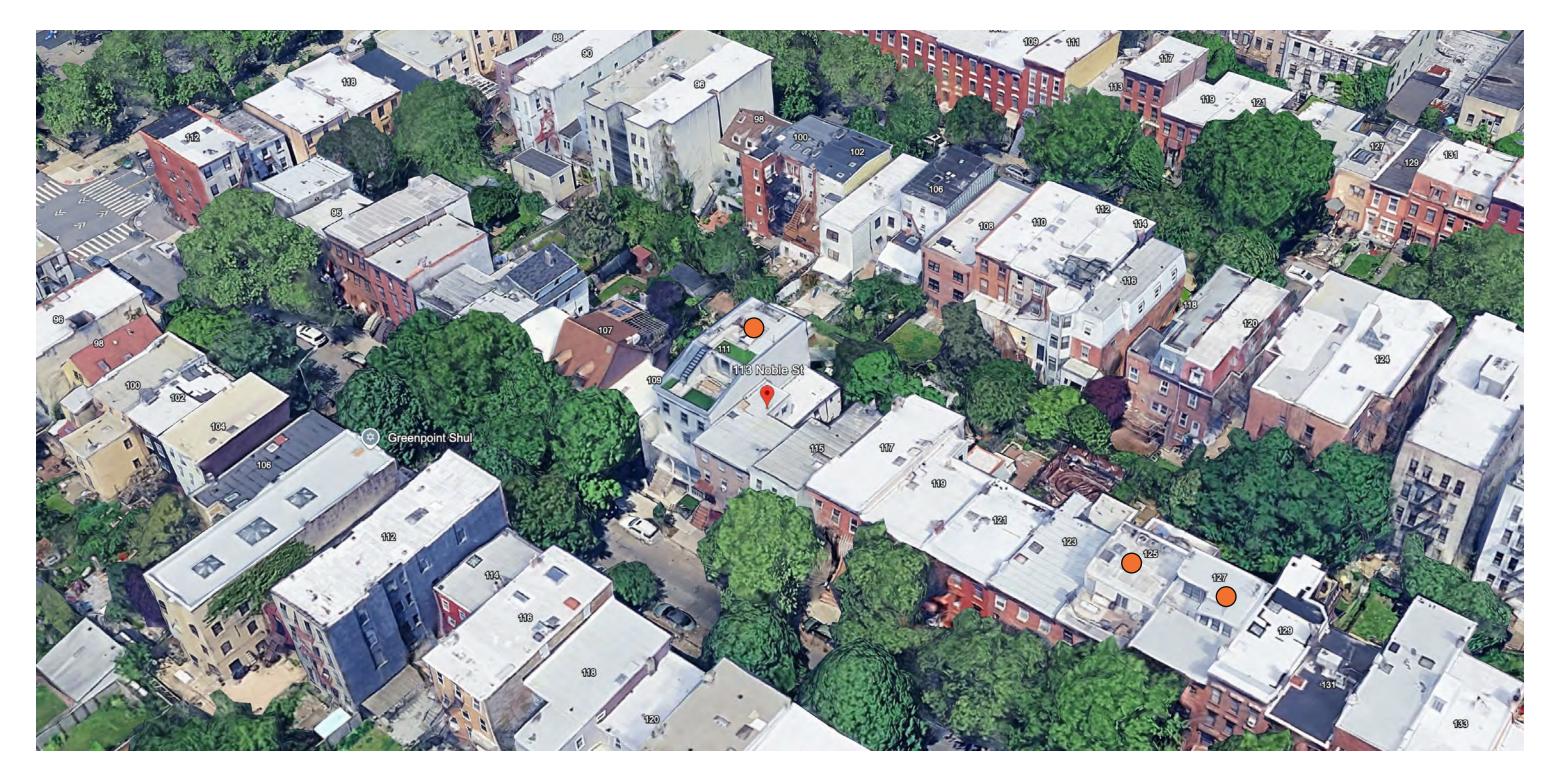
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ARCHITECT/BUILDER: JOHN T. FAIRFIELD
STYLE(S): ITALIANATE
MATERIAL(S): WOOD FRAME, ASPHALT SHINGLES,
WOOD CORNICE
BUILDING TYPE: WOOD FRAME HOUSE
ORIGINAL USE: RESIDENTIAL

NOBLE STREET



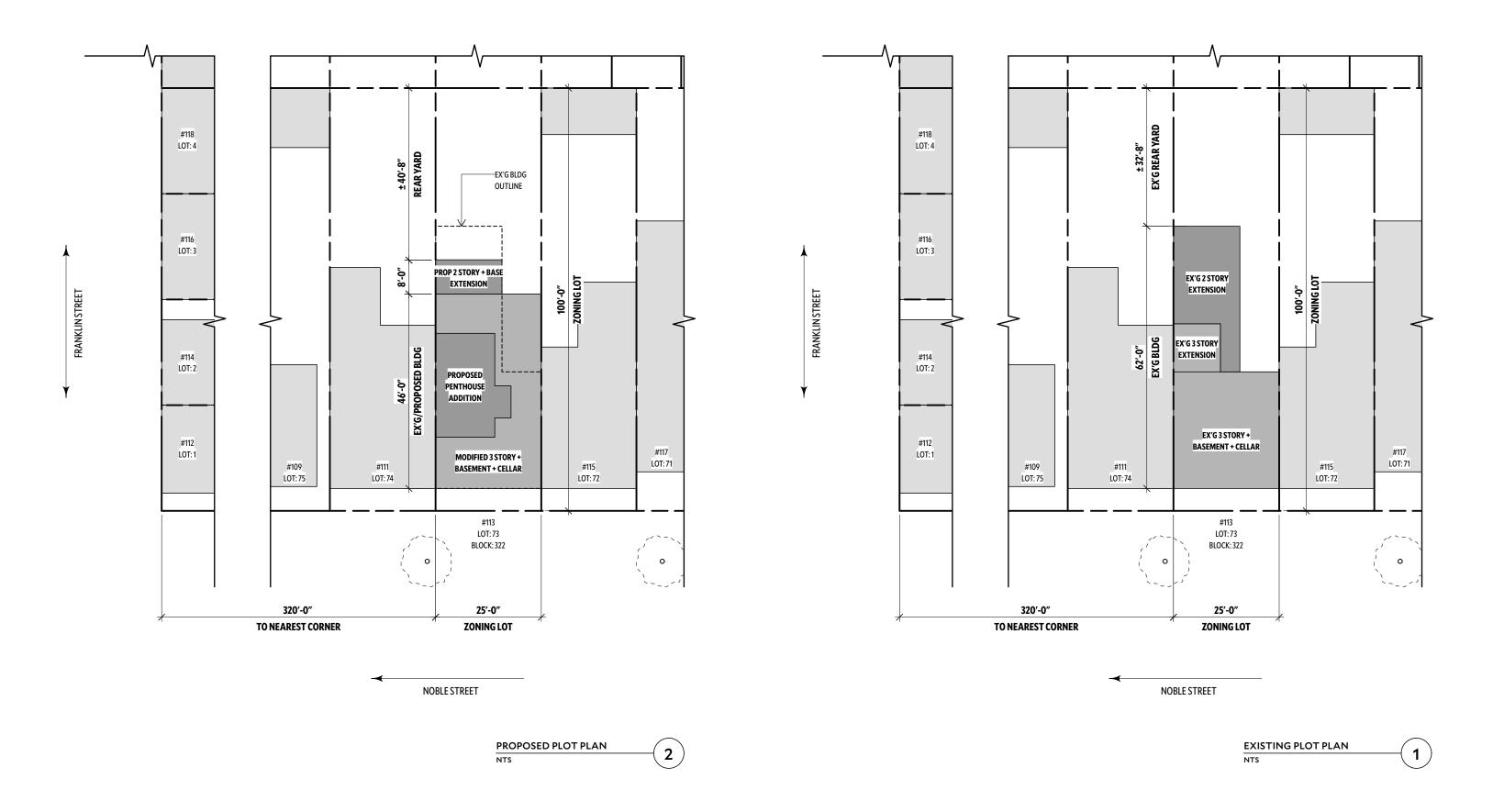
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GREENPOINT HISTORIC DISTRICT BOUNDARY











113 NOBLE STREET, 1940s TAX PHOTO



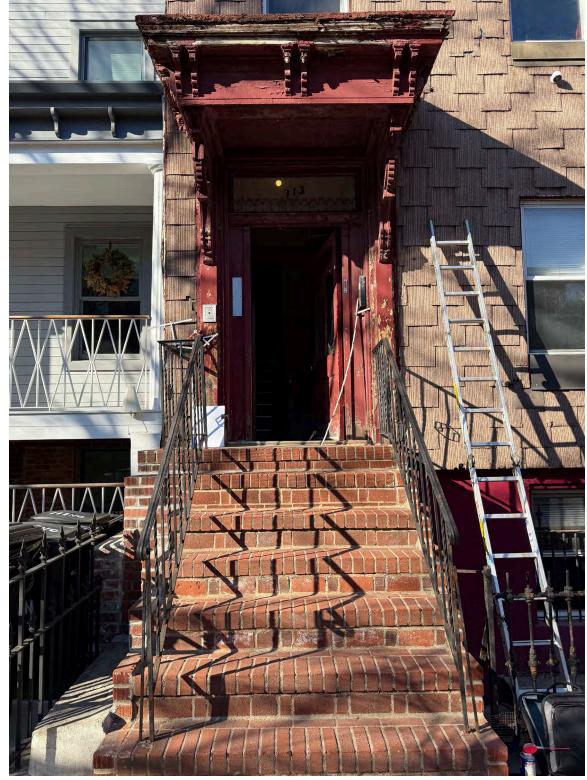
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113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT FACADE



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT FACADE LOOKING EAST



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING STOOP & FRONT DOOR



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT CORNICE



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT CORNICE



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT DOOR SURROUND



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT DOOR SURROUND



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LPC-110.00



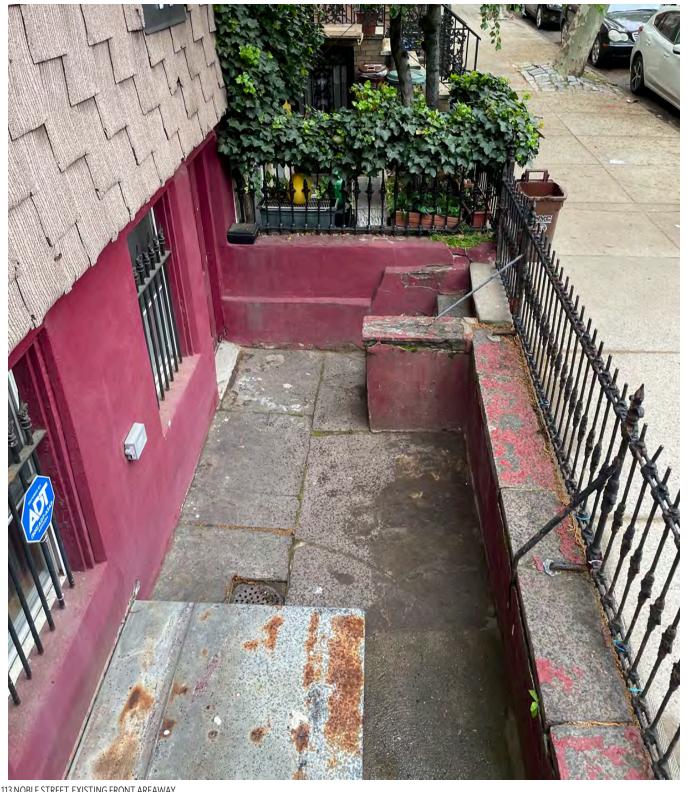
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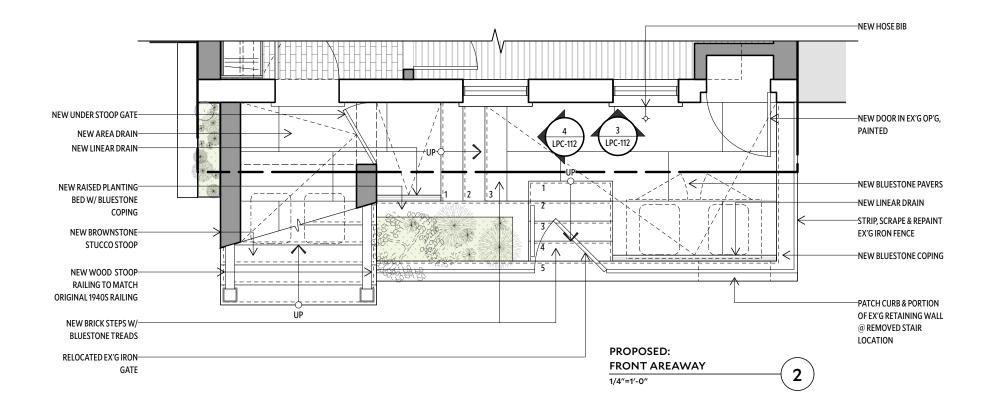


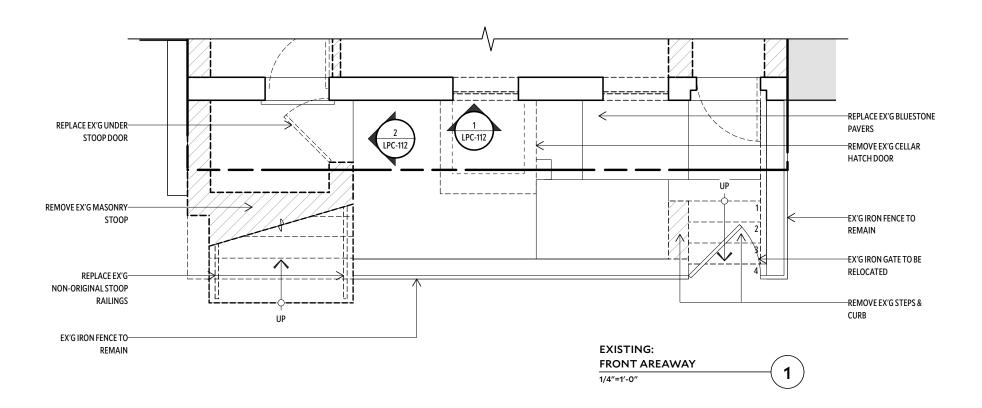


107 NOBLE STREET, FRONT AREAWAY



109 NOBLE STREET, FRONT AREAWAY







113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING FRONT AREAWAY IRONWORK



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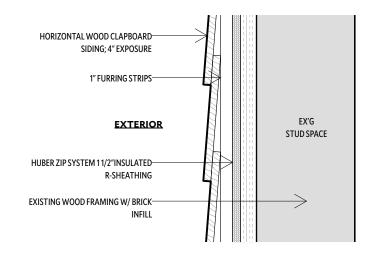




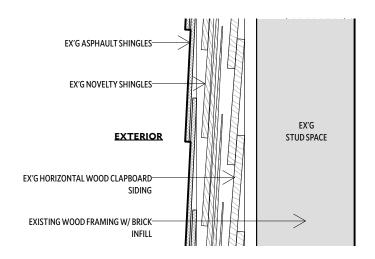
113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING CLAPBOARD, NOVELTY SHINGLE & ASPHAULT SHINGLE LAYERS



113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING CLAPBOARD & NOVELTY SHINGLE LAYERS







WALL SECTION: EX'G
FRONT FACADE ASSEMBLY
2"=1'-0"



DATE: 10/16/2025







PROPOSED FRONT AXONOMETRIC DIAGRAM

PRESENTED AT 09/09/2025 BK CB1 COMBINED PUBLIC **HEARING & BOARD MEETING** 

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EXISTING/PROPOSED FRONT ISOMETRIC DIAGRAMS - ORIGINAL LPC-117.00



EXISTING FRONT AXONOMETRIC DIAGRAM



PROPOSED FRONT AXONOMETRIC DIAGRAM

10/16 BK CB1 LAND USE MEETING PRESENTATION - UPDATED PENTHOUSE WITH SIMPLIFIED ROOF







113 NOBLE STREET, REAR FACADE



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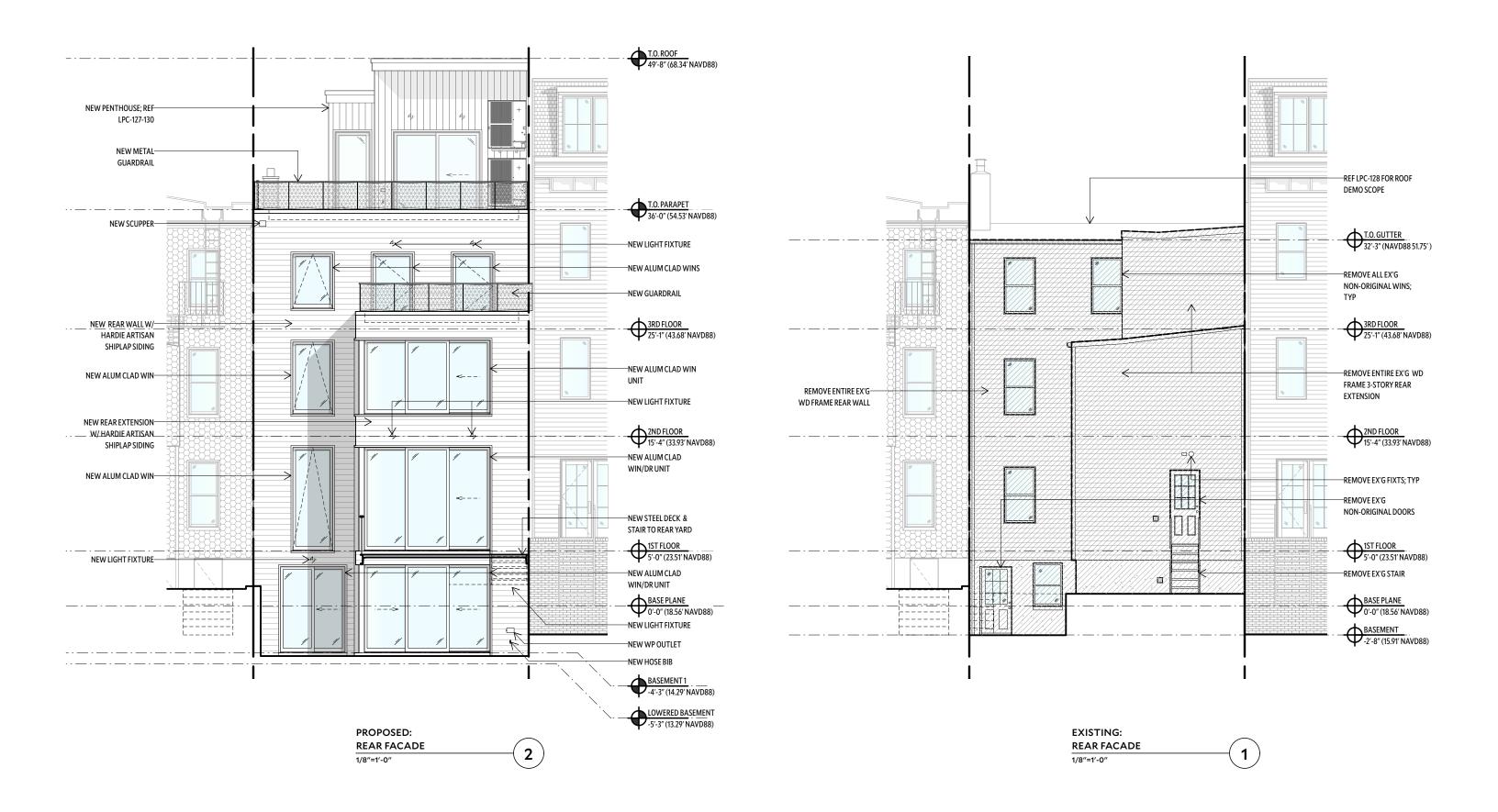
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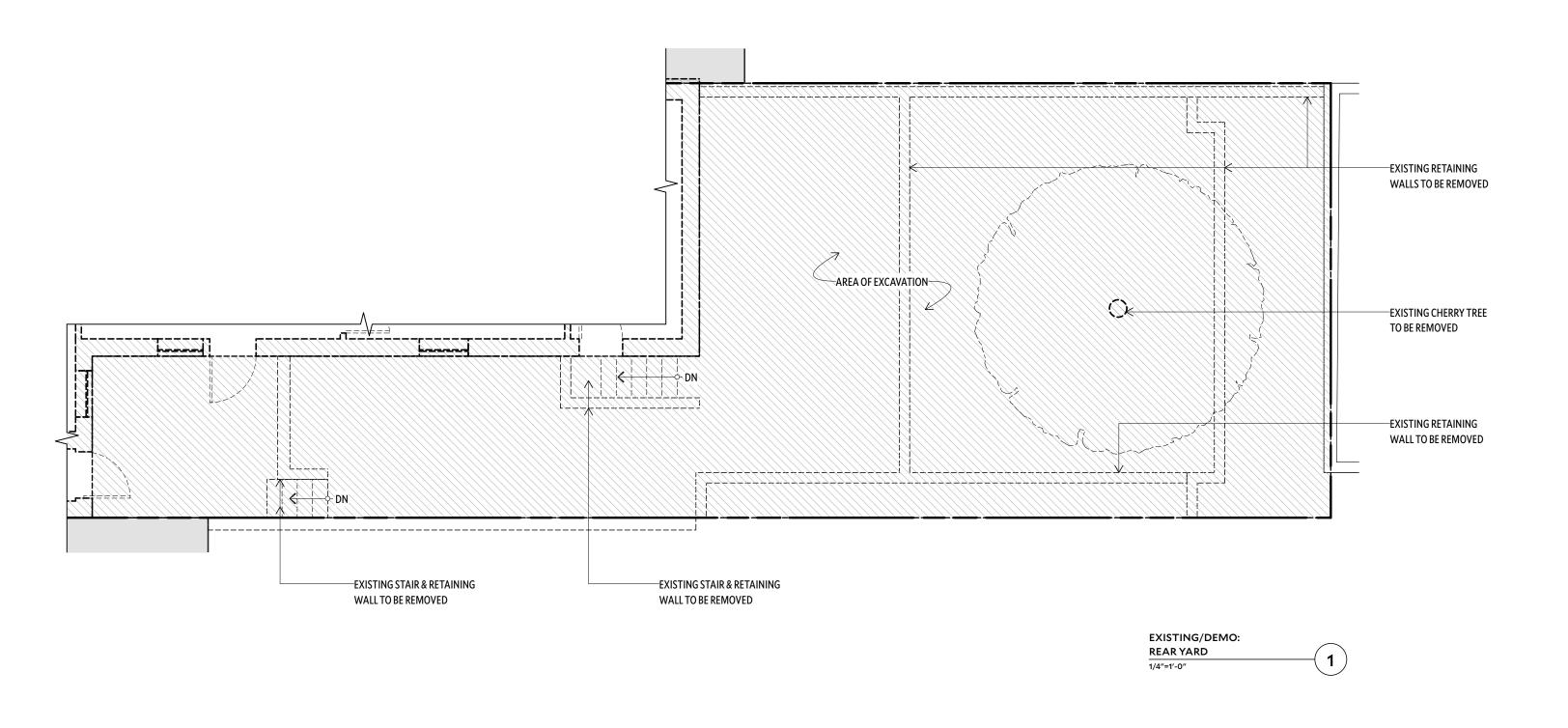
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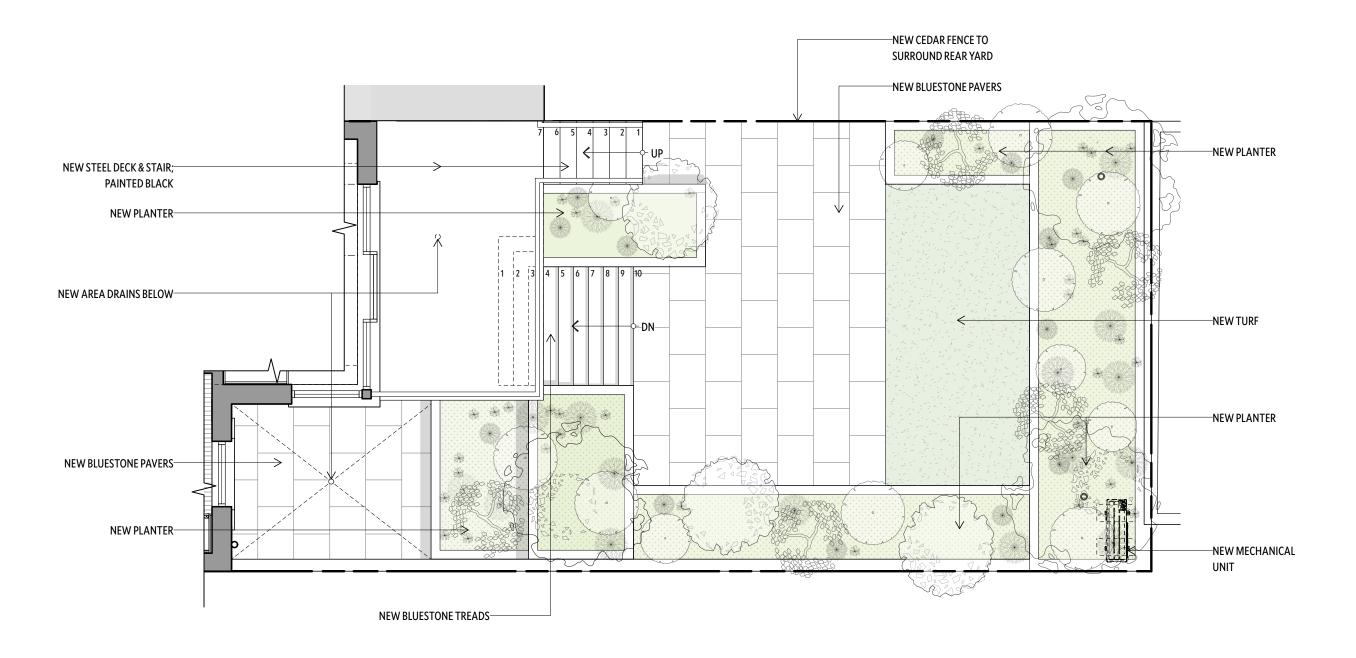


113 NOBLE STREET, REAR YARD









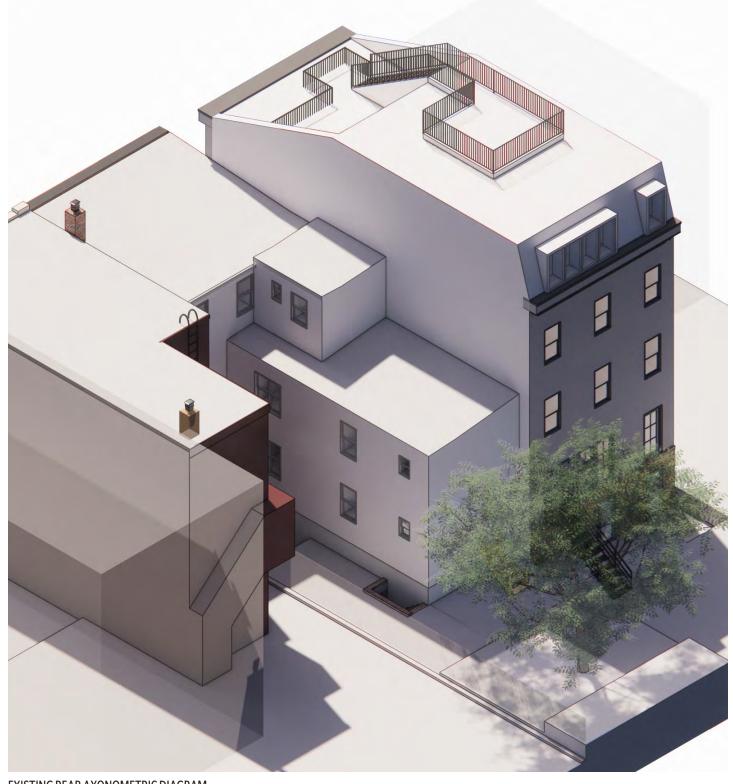




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PROPOSED REAR AXONOMETRIC DIAGRAM

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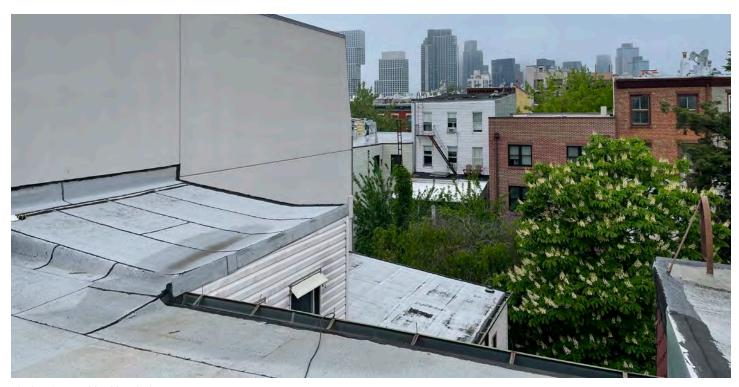




PROPOSED REAR AXONOMETRIC DIAGRAM

10/16 BK CB1 LAND USE MEETING PRESENTATION - UPDATED PENTHOUSE WITH SIMPLIFIED ROOF

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113 NOBLE STREET, ROOF LOOKING NORTH



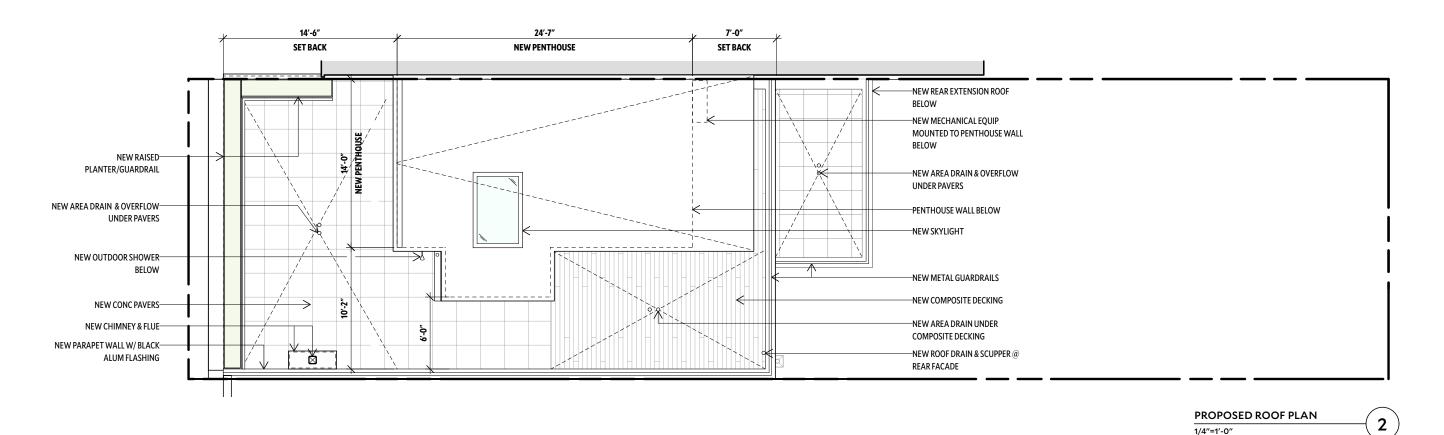
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113 NOBLE STREET, ROOF LOOKING EAST



113 NOBLE STREET, ROOF LOOKING WEST



EXISTING SKYLIGHT TO BE-REMOVED EXISTING ROOF HATCH TO BE-REMOVED REMOVE EX'G REAR EXTENSION EX'G FRONT FACADE & CORNICE-TO REMAIN REMOVE EX'G ROOF MEMBRANE,
SHEATHING & STRUCTURE EXISTING CHIMNEY & FLUE TO-BE REMOVED

THE BROOKLYN STUDIO

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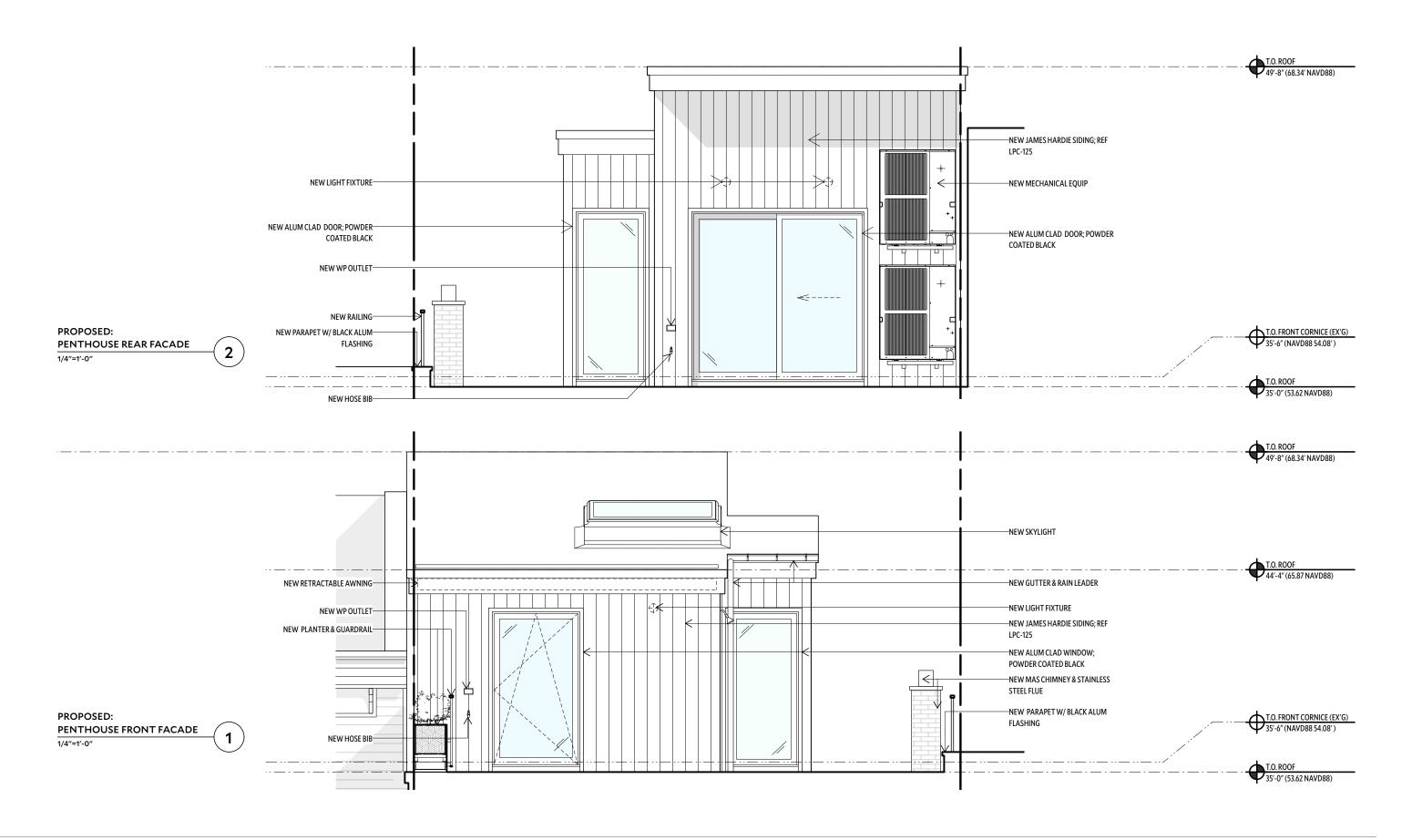
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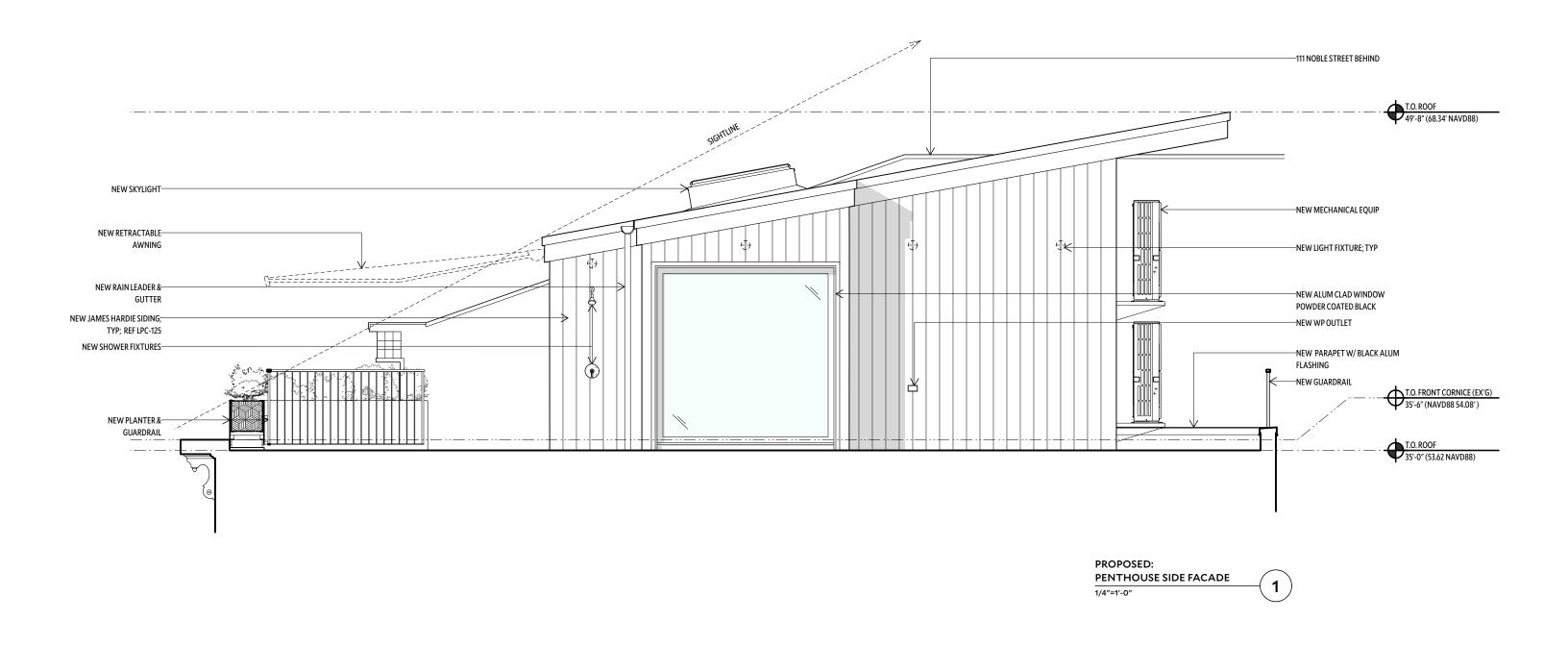
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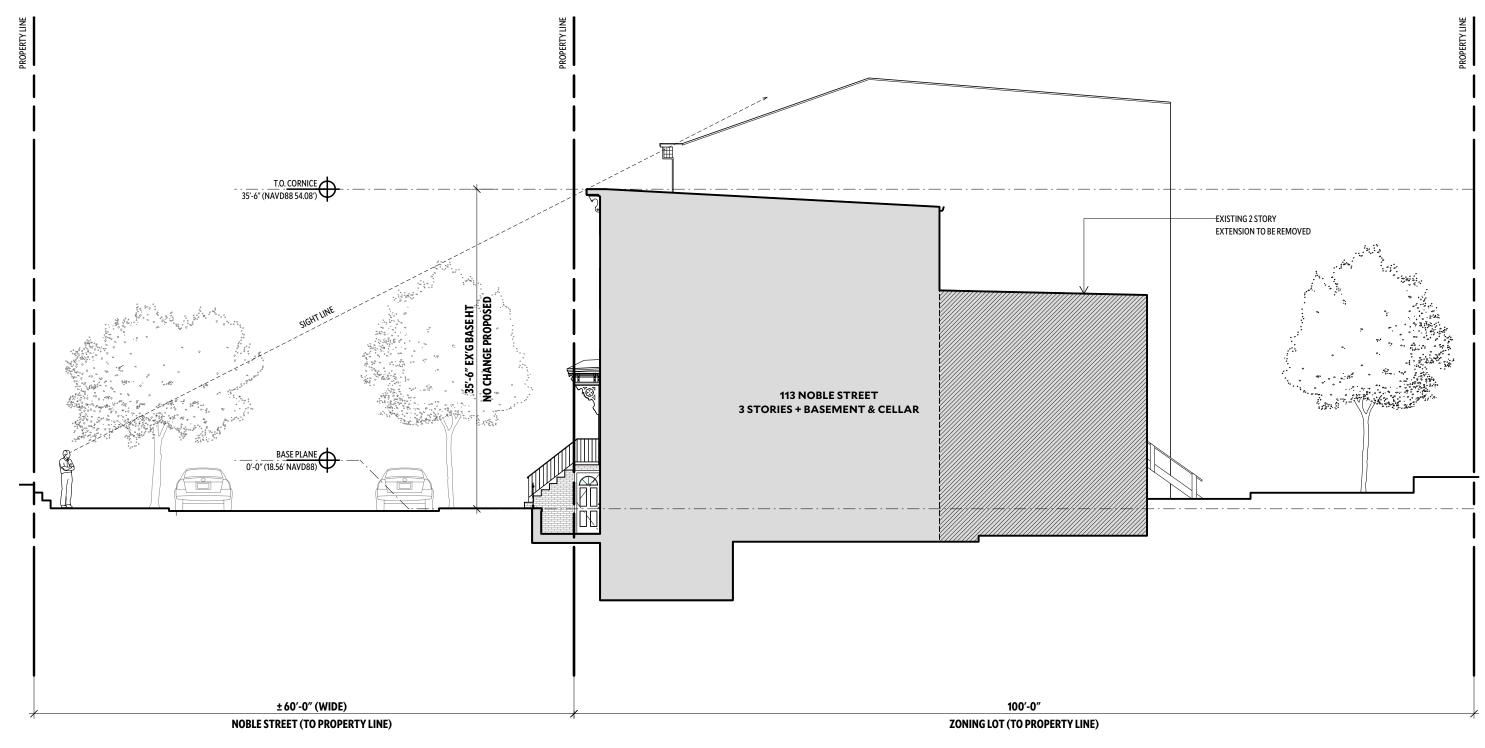
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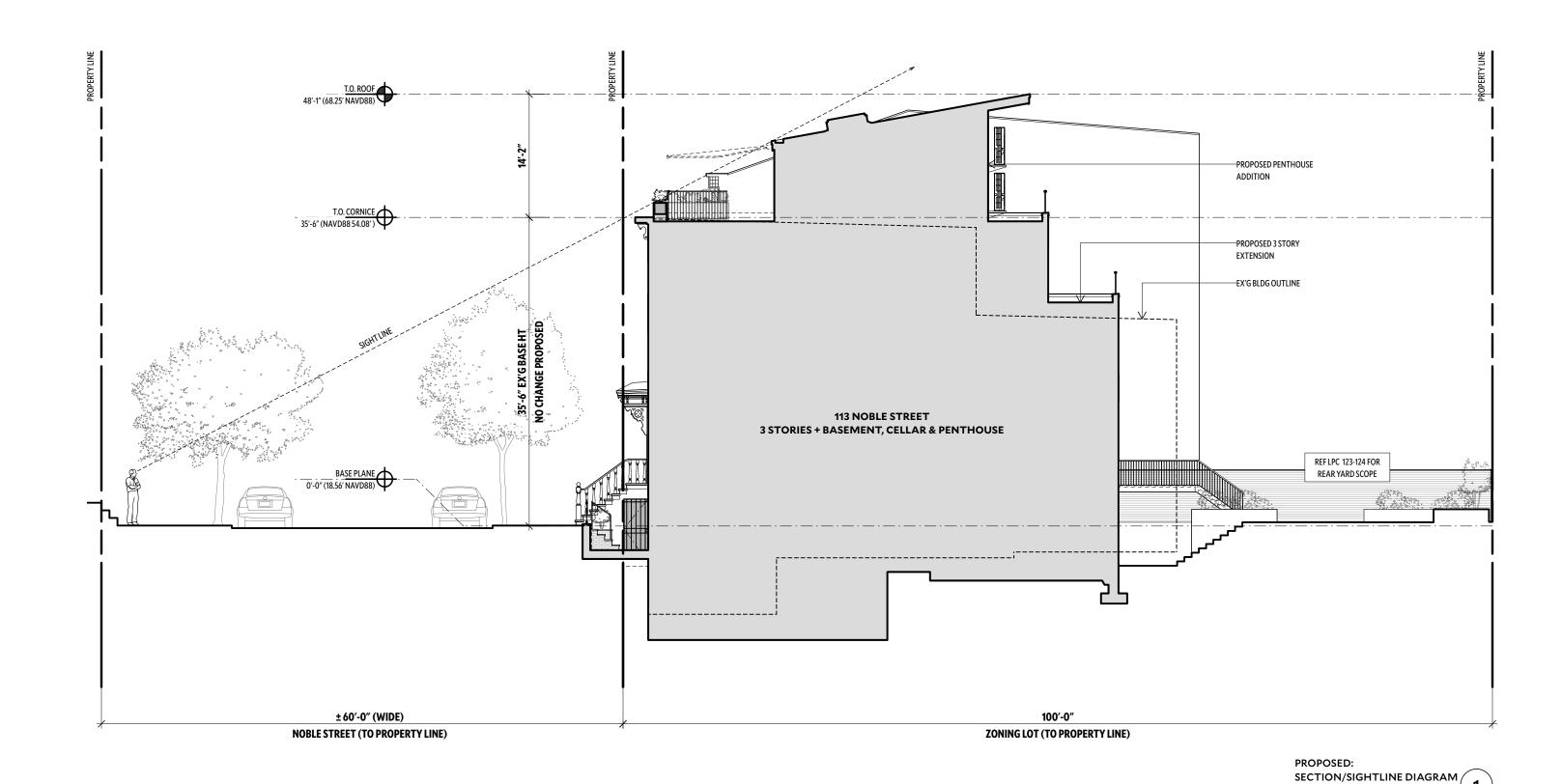


EXISTING:

SECTION/SIGHTLINE DIAGRAM

3/32"=1'-0"

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PROPOSED SIGHT-LINE DIAGRAM

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3/32"=1'-0"

MINIMAL VISIBILITY OF PENTHOUSE @ 111 NOBLE STREET RECESSED UPPER FACADE

PROPOSED PLANTER; HEIGHT DIMINISHED AFTER 9/9 BK CB1 PRESENATION

#### **VIEW 1 POSITION**

## MILTON STREET MANHATTAN AVENUE FRANKLIN STREET

NOBLE STREET

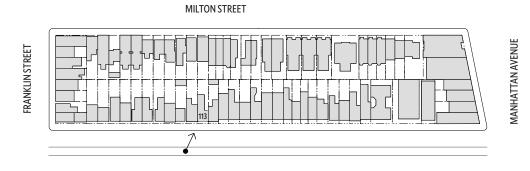


VIEW 1 OF PLANTER AND PENTHOUSE MOCKUP

MINIMAL VISIBILITY OF PENTHOUSE — @ 111 NOBLE STREET RECESSED UPPER FACADE

PROPOSED PLANTER

#### **VIEW 2 POSITION**



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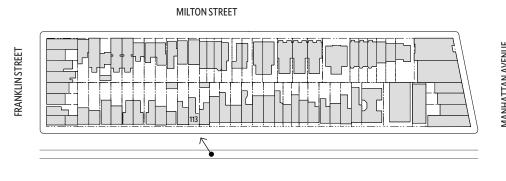


VIEW 2 OF PLANTER AND PENTHOUSE MOCKUP

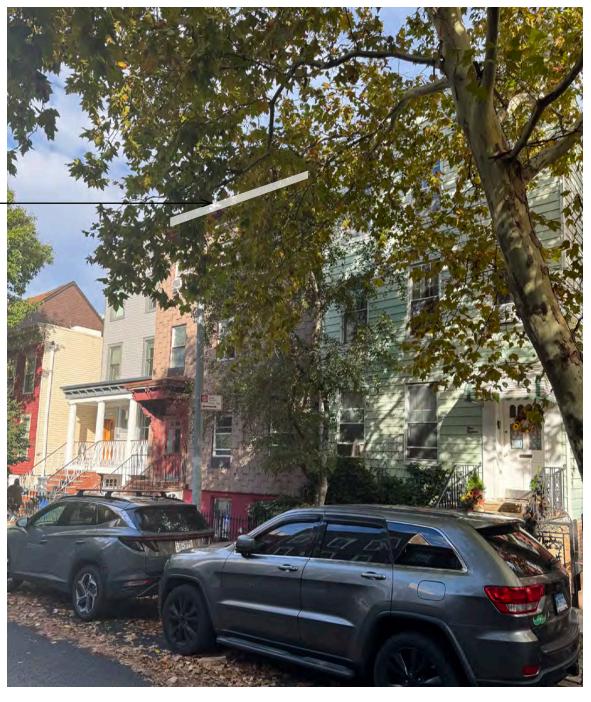
NO VISIBILITY OF PENTHOUSE BEHIND TREE

MINIMAL VISIBILITY OF PROPOSED PLANTER BEHIND TREE

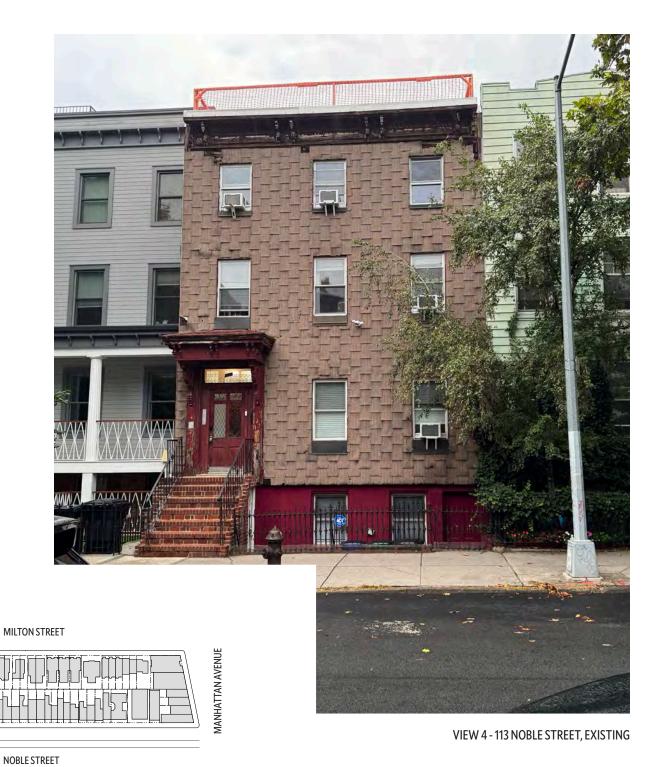
#### **VIEW 3 POSITION**







VIEW 3 OF PLANTER AND PENTHOUSE MOCKUP





VIEW 4 - 113 NOBLE STREET, PROPOSED AT 09/09/2025 BK
CB1 COMBINED PUBLIC HEARING & BOARD MEETING

#### THE BROOKLYN STUDIO

**VIEW 4 POSITION** 

#### VIEW OF PLANTER & RAILING BEHIND WITH PLANTS REMOVED





VIEW 4 - 113 NOBLE STREET, PROPOSED **REVISED PER COMMENTS AT 09/09 PRESENTATION** 

## VIEW 4 POSITION

MILTON STREET

NOBLE STREET

VIEW 4 - 113 NOBLE STREET, EXISTING



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Hon. Shampa Chanda, Chair Board of Standards and Appeals 22 Reade Street, Main Floor New York, NY 10007

#### Dear Chair Chanda:

At the regular meeting of Brooklyn Community Board No. 1, held on the evening of October 21, 2025, Board members received a report from the Land Use, ULURP Committee. The Board voted to approve the application for 710 Broadway, BSA Cal #2025-15-BZ with the following conditions:

- 1. Confirmation that there will be ample indoor seating to accommodate current community needs;
- 2. Confirmation that traffic backup will not increase;
- 3. Confirmation that there will be ample space between the bike racks to accommodate delivery bikes;
- 4. Confirmation that there is no anticipated loss of community jobs; and
- 5. The applicant will provide landscaping where possible.

The resolution vote was as follows: 35 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 2 "ABSTENTIONS"; 0 "RECUSAL"

Working for Safer Williamsburg and Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

Dealice Fuller
Chairperson



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October 21, 2025

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#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Landmarks (Subcommittee)

TO: Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

FROM: Mr. Stephen Chesler, Land Use Committee Co-Chair

RE: Landmarks (Subcommittee) Report of October 16, 2025

The Committee met on the evening of October 16, 2025, at 6:00 PM at Swinging Sixties Senior Center, 211 Ainslie St., (Corner of Manhattan Ave), Brooklyn, NY. 11211

Members of the Land Use, ULURP and Landmarks [subcommittee] Committee Teague, Land Use Committee Chair; Chesler, Land Use Committee Co-Chair; Kaminski, Landmarks Subcommittee Co-Chair; Isaacs; Itzkowitz; Kawaguchi; Kelterborn; Rabbi Niederman; Pferd; Sofer; Vega; Weiser; Kantin\*; Kawochka\*; Nieves\*; Salgado\* (\*) Non-Board Member.

**Present:** Teague; Chesler; Kelterborn; Pferd; Sofer; Vega; Nieves\*; Salgado\*.

Absent: Kaminski, Landmarks Subcommittee Co-Chair; Isaacs; Itzkowitz; Kawaguchi; Rabbi

Niederman; Sofer; Weiser; Kantin\*; Kawochka\*. (\*non-board member)

8 members present. A quorum was not achieved.

#### **AGENDA:**

#1 - PRESENTATION PROJECT OF SUBSTANTIAL RENOVATION / RESTORATION OF A LANDMARKED RESIDENCE AT 113 NOBLE STREET: The Brooklyn Studio is presenting the proposed work to the front façade, roof, rear façade, rear extension, rear yard, and interior of 113 Noble Street, an Italianate wood frame rowhouse located in the Greenpoint Historic District in Brooklyn. Originally built in 1861 by John T. Fairfield, the rowhouse has been altered from its original state and is currently a three-story building with a basement, cellar and two-story extension. Presenter, Project Designer, Isabel Vineyard, Project Manager, Jasper Grace, The Brooklyn Studio, with the property owner on hand.

The committee welcomed the prospect of this house being renovated to restore as much original detail as possible, to further enrich this street within the Greenpoint Historic District. The new details such as installing windows in sync with the original design, wood cladding (and removing three layers of asphalt shingles!), and recreating a brownstone stoop. It will keep original elements like the Italianate wood cornice and wood door surround. The owner plans to build a rooftop penthouse addition.

Most aspects of this application are subject to only staff level approval. Treatment of the rooftop screening structure, the rooftop addition and the rear addition require commission approval and a recommendation from the community board.

Hardy plank (a composite material) siding will be used for the penthouse and rear facade, with a darker gray color for the penthouse and a white color for the rear facade. The penthouse will have a modern design, visually distinct from the historic elements of the building.

Visibility studies for the penthouse show the need for a planter to block sight lines from the street. During their board hearing presentation on September 9th of this year, several members took issue with the black metal planter containing dense green vegetation. They felt it was quite out of character with historic houses in close proximity. In the committee presentation, the architects presented a scaled-down revised version of this planter. However, committee members predominantly felt strongly that this structure was still inappropriate. They suggested a railing without a planter or moving the proposed railing from the back of the planter to in front of it, but it still requires a better design.

For the rear extension, the proposed renovation includes removing two non-original rear extensions and extending the original house's footprint. The proposed rear facade will be more rectangular in shape, creating more open space compared to the current courtyard condition.

The applicant proposes raising the existing extension to the full height of the house and adding a new thin lower extension with large paned windows with thin metal frames. There is a question of whether raising the height of the existing extension meets code and if other houses within this historic rear yard donut have the same elevations.

## Motion by Steve Chesler: To recommend the board approve the renovation design for 113 Noble Street with conditions:

• Reconsider again the rooftop screening structure, as the revised metal planter is still greatly out of historic character

#### • Ensure compatibility with LPC guidelines for rear extension height Second: Karen Nieves

8 Yes votes

0 No votes

0 Abstension

#### The motion passed by consensus.

#2 - INFORMAL PRESENTATION OF A LANDMARKED BUILDING AT 144 GREENPOINT AVENUE: This is a Land Use application. The project is a completely new design to the previously approved commercial project at this location. The project has new ownership and is now a multifamily residential project with 55 dwelling units, 20% of which will be affordable. The intent of the design is a standalone building, with a brick façade and regular cadence of windows recalling the historic tenement housing along Greenpoint avenue. Street wall height will be similar to the existing residential street wall on the avenue, and a projecting cornice will reduce sightlines of the set back upper floors. On a volumetric basis the proposed residential building is 30% smaller at 257,008 cubic feet from the previously approved commercial project which was 366,564 cubic feet. Our floor area has increased from the previously approved with the conversion and change to residential zoning but is still about 15% less than the allowable on the site. The lot coverage is also reduced with our full open rear yard to improve the interior of the block. Presentation by Building Studio Architect, John Field, AIA.

This was a preview presentation. Formal presentations will take place at committee and full board meetings over the next two months. The committee provided feedback but did not vote on a recommendation.

What is striking about this new design is its stark contrast from the previous one (see the attached presentation file to view the comparison) which had a light gray facade and intricate ornamental window frame details. The committee approved the previous design. What stands out with the current design is its minimalist facade with orange brick, lacking detail and with square windows (vs rectangular with most buildings in close proximity) on the upper floors. Very modern in look and feel. But, it seemed too modern to committee members. Though a couple members generally like the new design, the majority of members pushed back hard on it. This design resonates somewhat with the monolith of apartment buildings that dominate north side of Greenpoint Avenue across the street, but they felt like it lacked a visual aesthetic connection to existing buildings on the south side of the street, such as the old post office building and other brick buildings that contain a myriad of nuanced details. They suggested arches be considered as potential revisionist elements that would tie into the old post office building and the magnificent Mechanics And Traders Bank at the corner of Greenpoint Ave and Franklin Street, and the existing Polonaise building on this site. But, also consider the much more detailed design of the previous property owners.

As with the previous design, concern was expressed about the look of the penthouse, that it still may be too strong in its presence as seen from the street. The cladding will be a matte zinc metallic finish which aims to dampen the visual volume of this structure, but perhaps not enough. As designed, the brick cladding will be applied to all sides of the building. There will be no rear yard. The building footprint will extend fully to the rear property line. Roof access per zoning regulations, will be for public and private use.



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October 23, 2025

Hon. Angie Master Vice Chair and Commissioner NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC) 1 Centre Street 9<sup>th</sup> Floor North New York, NY 10007

RE: 113 Noble Street Docket LPC-25-12929

#### Dear Vice Chair Master:

At the regular meeting of Brooklyn Community Board No. 1, held on the evening of October 21, 2025, informed by a recommendation of its Landmarks Subcommittee, Brooklyn Community Board 1, voted 37 "YES"; 0 "NO"; 0 "ABSTENTIONS"; 0 "RECUSAL" to approve the design for commission-level items related to a Substantial Renovation / Restoration of a Landmarked Residence at 113 Noble Street, Docket LPC-25-12929, with the following conditions:

- Reconsider, again, the rooftop screening structure, as the revised metal planter is still greatly out of historic character
- Ensure compatibility with LPC guidelines for rear extension height

The board welcomes this project that aims to bring this house into a design state that syncs with this block within the Greenpoint Historic, including staff-level approved items such as recladding the facade, replacing windows and the front door and surround, creating a brownstone stoop and restoring other original elements.

Regarding the proposed penthouse screening structure on the roof:

Visibility studies for the penthouse show the need for a planter to block sight lines from the street. During the architect's community board hearing presentation on September 9th of this year, several members took issue with the black metal planter containing dense green vegetation. They felt it was quite out of character with historic houses in close proximity. In the committee presentation, the architects presented a scaled-down revised version of this planter. However, committee members predominantly felt strongly that this structure was still inappropriate. They suggested a railing without a planter or moving the proposed railing from the back of the planter to in front of it, but it still requires a better design.

Regarding the proposed rear addition height, the board wants to ensure this design is consistent with other rear additions that already exist inside the historic donut.

Working for Safer Williamsburg and Greenpoint.

Sincerely,

Dealice Fuller Chairperson



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## **COMMITTEE REPORT Education & Youth Committee**

**TO:** Chairperson Dealice Fuller and CB1 Board Members

**FROM:** Ms. Sonia Iglesias, Committee Chair

**RE:** Education & Youth Committee Report from September 29, 2025

The Education & Youth met on Monday, September 29, 2025, at the CB1 District office, 435 Graham Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211 (Corner of Frost Street) at 5:00PM.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Iglesias, Chair; Cabrera; Sinclair\*.

Absent with Notice: D'Amato, Co-Chair; Aguilar.

Absent: Carbone; Duran; Denny-Horowitz; Lebron; Jeffery; Niedermayer.

The Education and Youth Committee met on Monday, September 29, 2025, at 5:00PM, in the CB1 office.

#### 1. Compiling Contact List of Schools in CB1:

District Manager Ms. Pulgarin provided the committee with a list of Schools and reminded the committee that after-school program (i.e. DYCD) representatives can attend meetings to discuss their programs and answer questions.

#### 2. Outreach to Superintendents:

Superintendent Cintron has always been very responsive to our Education and Youth Committee. He has made Presentations and replies to all our emails and letters. The committee's focus is reaching out to the High School Superintendent to address our concerns and questions.

#### 3. Review of Items from last year, what do we still need to address?

- The committee needs to follow up with the issues surrounding the CEC (Community Education Councils). Ms. Cabrera suggested that we reach out to Ms. Françoise Olivas, a member of the Community Education Council District 14.
- Committee Chair Iglesias bought up her concerns regarding the Capital Needs of the Public Schools in our District. MS. 50 (John D. Wells) needs air conditioning units throughout the school, particularly in the cafeteria, gym and auditorium. It raises huge concerns that the students have endured heat waves, and hot summers which can negatively affect students' health and academic performance. In addition, it may affect the entire school staff. Many of the school buildings are old and built before the need to add AC, and due to climate change it is vital that this issue is addressed.

#### 4. Cell Phone Ban:

• The cell phone ban appears to be working, as the committee has not received any complaints or concerns regarding the ban.

#### 5. Open Agenda:

- Committee Chair Iglesias discussed her concerns with the charter schools housed in the
  public-school buildings. Although charter schools are privately funded, they are still
  considered public schools. There are many questions that need to be addressed regarding
  the policies and procedures of charter schools.
- Committee Chair Iglesias made a motion for CB 1 to send a letter to the School Chancelor to the Board of Regents and the SUNY Board of Trustees requesting the policies and procedures of the charter schools housed in public-school buildings. The three members present agreed by consensus. Although the state of the political landscape in November is uncertain, the committee agreed we should prepare the letter and address the new administration.

#### 6. Old Business:

- Capital Needs for Public Schools.
- CEC open meetings

#### 7. New Business:

Ms. Cabrera discussed her concerns regarding bilingual programs in our schools, and the possibility of funding being cut due to the new immigration policy changes in the Education System. Superintendent Cintron confirmed via email that the bilingual programs are still intact in our District.

Next Meeting November 19th, 2025, at 5:00 P.M.

Meeting Adjourned 6:03 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Sonia Iglesias Committee Chair Education & Youth Committee



#### **District Manager's Report**

TO: All Board Members

FROM: Johana P. Pulgarin

District Manager

RE: SEPTEMBER 2025

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1. Complaint Tally Sheet for September 2025

- 2. District Service Cabinet Meeting Minutes from September 18, 2025.
- 3. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE:
  - Letter from DOT Brooklyn Borough Commissioner Keith Bray RE: Approval of Traffic Signal at the Intersection of Bushwick Avenue and Cook Street
  - Letter from DOT Brooklyn Borough Commissioner Keith Bray RE: Approval of Traffic Signal at the Intersection of Humboldt Street and Boerum Street
- 4. NYC Department of City Planning (DCP) RE: City Planning Releases Draft NYC Industrial Plan to Support Growth
- 5. Fire Department of New York (FDNY) RE: Join Us for the 2025 FDNY Open House, October 18th to October 19th, 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M or 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.
- 6. Mayor's Office of Operations RE: All Adopted Rules with Upcoming Effective Dates 10/24/2025, 10/25/2025, 10/26/2025, 11/02/2025, 11/05/2025, 11/08/2025, 11/20/2025, 01/01/2026, 01/01/2026, 03/01/2026
  - NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE: Speed Limits for E-Bikes, E-Scooters, and Pedal-Assist Commercial Bicycles Rule Effective Date 10/24/2025, Busways Clarification of Bus Lane Restrictions Rule Effective Date 11/02/2025
  - Taxi and Limousine Commission RE: Cyclist Awareness Decal Rule Effective Date 10/25/2025, Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Conversion – Rule Effective Date 10/25/2025, Amendment of Insurance Requirements – Rule Effective Date 01/01/2026, Personal Injury Insurance Coverage – Rule Effective Date 03/01/2026

- NYC Department of Buildings (DOB) RE: Installation of Electrical Energy Storage Systems Rule Effective Date 10/26/2025
- NYC Department of Finance (DOF) RE: Proposed Rules Implementing Industrial and Commercial Abatement Program (ICAP) Rule Effective Date 11/05/2025
- NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) RE: Amendment of Rules Relating to Collection of Commercial Waste – Rule Effective Date 11/08/2025
- NYC Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) RE: Emission Controls for Existing Underfired Charbroilers Rule Effective Date 11/20/2025
- NYC Department of Health & Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) RE: Window Guard Rules Rule Effective Date 01/01/2026
- 7. It is the CCRB Week of Awareness October 20–24! Did you know NYC has a fully independent, civilian agency that investigates police misconduct? The Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is here to make sure every voice is heard and every case is reviewed fairly.
- 8. NYC Mayor's Press Office RE: Announcement of Automatic Rebates to Qualified Homeowners for Purchase of NYC Bin for One- and Two-Family Homes Who Receive the Basic or Enhanced School Tax Relief (STAR or E-STAR) Credit/Exemption
- 9. Brooklyn Public Library (BPL) RE: Center for Brooklyn History (CBH) is Hosting New York City History Day (NYCHD); This Year's Theme is "Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History"
- 10. NYC Department of Buildings (DOB) RE: Proposed Rule Amendment of Rules relating to Gas Piping Inspections, Public Hearing on October 27, 2025, 11:00 A.M.
- 11. NYC Department for the Aging RE: Findings of the Citywide Service Needs Assessment & the State of Older New Yorkers
- 12. NYC Board of Correction (BOC) RE: Release of the Monitoring Unit Semi-Annual Report on Complaints Received by BOC
- 13. NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) RE:
  - Extended Pulaski Bridge Single Lane Closure (Maintenance on Pulaski Bridge over Newtown Creek) (See the attached)
  - Extended Borden Avenue Intermittent Full Bridge Closures (Repairs on the Borden Avenue Bridge Over Newtown Creek) (See the attached)
  - Extended- Greenpoint Ave Bridge Single Lane Closure (See the attached)
- 14. NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) RE: DCWP Releases Updated Research Brief: 238,900 Households in NYC Are Unbanked

- 15. NYC Department for the Aging RE: Annual Plan Summary and Public Hearing Schedule October 28, 2025, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. at St. Charles Jubilee OAC, 55 Pierrepont Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201
- 16. NYC Department of Social Services (DSS) RE:
  - Health Newsletter Alert Federal Shutdown and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Benefits
  - Changes to the SNAP Standard Utility Allowance (SUA) Policy for Households in Receipt of HEAP
- 17. NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) RE: Latest Report from DSNY on Zero Waste
- 18. NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) RE: Public Notice of Draft Local Solid Waste Management Plan (Draft SWMP26) & Public Meeting on Monday, October 27, 2025, 10:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.
- 19. Brooklyn Public Library (BPL) RE: *Ready, Set, Kindergarten!* is Back at Brooklyn Public Library! (Flyer Attached)
- 20. NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) RE:
  - Consumer Bill of Rights Regarding Tax Preparer 2025
  - New NYC DCWP Contact for District Service Cabinet Meetings Flyers for Renter Rights Regarding Broker Fees
- 21. Council Member Jennifer Gutierrez's Office RE: Huge Success of 15<sup>th</sup> Participatory Budgeting (PB) Cycle in District 14 Submit Your Ideas on How to Invest \$1,000,000 In Our Community! (Idea Collection Closes by November 28, 2025)
- 22. NYC Department of Education (DOE), Office of Student Enrollment (OSE) RE: High School & Middle School Admissions Pagers & Flyers
- 23. NYS Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) RE: Proposed Cannabis Showcase Event Regulations Public Comment Open for 60 Days Until Monday, November 24, 2025



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#### **COMPLAINT TALLY**

#### **SEPTEMBER 02, 2025 – OCTOBER 17, 2025**

COMPLAINT TYPE	TALLY	COMPLAINT TYPE	
AIR		MTA	1
ANIMAL CONTROL		NATIONAL GRID	
APPLICATION		NOISE	11
ARCADE/RIDES		OTHER	8
ASSISTANCE	16	PARKING	36
BASKET REQUESTS	1	PARKS DEPARTMENT	9
BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT	4	PEST CONTROL	
BULK PICKUP	-	PLATES	
CATCH BASIN		POLICE DEPARTMENT	26
CAVE-IN		POOLS	20
CODE ENFORCE		POTHOLES	
COLLEGE		PROTECTION	
	1		3
CON-EDISON	1	PRUNING  DUDLIC ASSISTANCE	3
CRIME		PUBLIC ASSISTANCE REAL ESTATE	
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DCAS	4	RECYCLING	
DCP DEMO	1	REFERRALS	
DEMO		REGULAR PICKUP	
DEP	4	RELOCATION	
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DOCUMENTS		SANITATION	9
DOS		SCHOOL/PS	
DOT	19	SCHOOL REGION	
DRUGS		SEAL-UP	
EDUCATION		SENIOR HOUSING	
ELEVATOR		SERVICE	
ENFORCEMENT		SEWER BACKUP	
EQUIPMENT		SEWER BREAK	
FEDERAL		SIDEWALK	2
FIRE DEPARTMENT	2	SIGNS	1
FOOD STAMPS		SNOW REMOVAL	
GREENSTREET		SOCIAL SERVICES	2
HEALTH DEPARTMENT	3	SPRAYING	1
HEAT/HOT WATER		STATE	
HIGHWAYS		STREETLIGHT	1
HOUSING AUTHORITY		TRAFFIC LIGHTS	
HPD	3	TREE REMOVAL	
HRA	3	TREE REQUESTS	
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HS		TRENCH WORK (& DEP)	
HYDRANT		UNSWEPT STREET LITTER	2
INFO REQUESTS	27	VERIZON/CABLE	
JHS		WATER	
LEGAL			
LICENSE	43		
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> DISTRICT SERVICE CABINET MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 435 GRAHAM AVENUE BROOKLYN NY 11211

#### **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

Assistant District Manager Mr. Luis Castrillon is leading the meeting. He informed attendees that District Manager Johana Pulgarin would not be able to attend due to a scheduling conflict (Brooklyn Borough Budget Consultation). Assistant District Manager Castrillon then called the meeting to order and outlined the agenda, which included a round-robin session.

#### **ROUND ROBIN SESSION**

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION:** Brooklyn Coordinator Denise Hubbard shared a progress report on the construction taking place at Lorimer Street between Grand Street and Eyck Street. The contractor is expected to finish the utility work by the end of this week, while the DEP infrastructure tasks (Catch Basin and Chute) at the northeast corner are set to be completed by the end of next week. Full restoration is projected to be finished within three weeks.

**NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE:** Community Liaison for Brooklyn North, Afia McCausky, reported no major updates. Ms. McCausky addressed the closure of Kijitora Café, located at 309 Graham Avenue, due to health code violations related to odor and pest concerns. She explained that the establishment will not be permitted to reopen until it complies with health standards and successfully passes inspection.



**NYC DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT):** Director of Community Affairs, Ronda Messer, reported no updates for this meeting. Ms. Messer announced her retirement after 37 years of service, expressing both nostalgia and gratitude for her career. On behalf of District Manager Pulgarin and all CB1 Board Members, Assistant District Manager Castrillon remarked on Ms. Messer's contributions and effectiveness throughout her time serving as DOT liaison for CB1.

Assistant District Manager Castrillon inquired about the new DOT liaison for CB1. Ms. Messer confirmed that Deputy Borough Commissioner Leroy Branch will temporarily assist while the new appointee, Ms. Maria Cruz, transitions into the role.

First Vice-Chair Weiser requested that DOT conduct additional design studies and provide solutions to address vehicle congestion at the intersection of Meeker Avenue and McGuinness Boulevard.

Ms. Messer asked that First Vice-Chair Weiser send an email to the DOT to formally document and review this request.

<u>OFFICE OF THE MAYOR – COMMUNITY AFFAIRS</u>: Brooklyn Borough Director, Pierre Gedeon, reported that the Mayor announced two days ago that Brooklyn CB2 has completed its full containerization process, which will make garbage collection more efficient. This program is expected to expand throughout the Borough in the future, with DSNY providing additional information and presentations.

Director Gedeon also announced that the mayor's administration plans to distribute 350,000 free brand-new Chromebooks with internet access to public school students.

In addition, Director Gedeon reported that the mayor's administration is proud to inform that 1,093 new NYPD officers will soon be deployed to serve New Yorkers. He also highlighted the administration's expansion of the big rig training program for justice-involved New Yorkers, which will provide individuals who are disproportionately incarcerated with the opportunity to earn a commercial driver's license through the program.

**COUNCIL MEMBER JENNIFER GUTIERREZ'S OFFICE:** Director of Community Organizing, Juan Mayancela, reported that all of Council Member Jennifer Gutierrez's summer events, including school activities and community cleanups in the Southside and Williamsburg, have concluded.

Mr. Mayancela also informed the Board of an upcoming meeting on drug use and delinquency, particularly in Southside parks, scheduled for September 18, 2025, at 4:00 p.m., with the NYPD 90th Precinct and other elected officials.

<u>NYC DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION (DDC)</u>: Community Construction Liaison Vladimir Poux reported no major updates.

**<u>DEPARTMENT FOR THE AGING (AGING)</u>:** Government Affairs Officer, Charise Lawrence, announced that the State of Older New Yorkers Report is now available online (See attached). She also addressed the shortage of caregivers for the elderly.

Officer Lawrence further reported that the annual plan summary hearings will begin next month and noted that she will provide the CB1 Office with the specific dates for the hearings scheduled in Brooklyn (See attached).

<u>NYC DEPARTMENT OF PARKS</u>: Associate Park Service representative, Natalie Latibeaudiere, reported no updates for this meeting.

First Vice-Chair Weiser inquired whether permits had been issued for a party held on September 9, 2025, at the basketball court in Classon Playground (Classon Avenue and Kent Avenue), which involved loud music. Ms. Latibeaudiere noted the inquiry and will follow up with the CB1 Office via email.

<u>COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 1</u>: Assistant District Manager Castrillon thanked everyone for attending and concluded the meeting. The Assistant District Manager advised all attendees that the next District Service Cabinet Meeting will be held on October 16, 2025.

Ydanis Rodriguez, Commissioner

September 26, 2025

Gerald A. Esposito District Manager Community Board #1 435 Graham Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11211

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Dear Gerald A. Esposito:

The New York City Department of Transportation (NYC DOT) has completed the requested study and are pleased to inform you that a traffic signal has been approved at the intersection of Bushwick Avenue and Cook Street. This approval is the first step in a complex construction process that involves surveying, design, permitting, and construction.

First, a field survey will be conducted to assess the site and develop a design based on NYC DOT and federal guidelines. Designs outline the precise placement of all components of the signal system - poles, signal lenses, and underground elements - and must avoid potential conflicts at the street level and underground. Once the design is finalized, City contractors secure a permit to initiate construction, which requires coordination with utility companies.

The construction process includes trenching across the roadway, installing underground infrastructure for power and communication, restoring the roadway surface, constructing the pole foundation, installing the pole, mounting and programming the signal head, and installing the accessible pedestrian signal (APS).

Installation timeline for a particular signal may vary depending on the complexity of the intersection but typically will take a minimum of 6 months. If you have questions about the status of signal installation, please contact Brooklyn Borough Commissioner at 646-892-1350.

Very truly yours,

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Keith Bray

**Brooklyn Borough Commissioner** 

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#### Department of Transportation

Ydanis Rodriguez, Commissioner

September 30, 2025

Gerald A. Esposito District Manager Community Board #1 435 Graham Avenue Brooklyn, NY 11211

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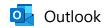
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## City Planning Releases Draft NYC Industrial Plan to Support Growth of 21st Century Industrial Economy with Good-Paying Jobs

From DCP IGA (DCP) **Date** Tue 9/16/2025 10:29 AM **To** 

#### Dear Community Board Leader,

We're excited to share that today, Departments of City Planning, Small Business Services, and the Economic Development Corporation are releasing the NYC Industrial Plan draft report, a major step toward establishing a comprehensive framework to support the growth and success of a modern, sustainable industrial economy with good-paying jobs

As you may know, in 2023, City Council passed Local Law 172, which requires the administration to bring together a range of governmental agencies to deliver a citywide industrial development strategic plan by the end of 2025 (and every eight years thereafter).

The draft report compiles considerable information on the history and present-day conditions of industrial businesses and industrial neighborhoods of New York City and details its foundational role in New York City's economy. The report also focuses on five goals, 20 strategies, and 72 ideas for improving the industrial economy of NYC generated through the plan's extensive outreach and stakeholder engagement efforts. The goals include the following:

- Enable industrial businesses to evolve, innovate, and modernize by reducing red tape, investing in capacity building, workforce development programs, helping businesses adopt green technologies, and investing in innovation.
- Advance a balanced and coherent land and real estate strategy through land use policies that reinforce "Primary Industrial Areas" and promote the inclusion of industrial uses in mixed-use projects, while reducing regulatory barriers to industrial development and investment, and modernizing City processes to make it easier to site industrial operations.
- **Support modern and efficient freight movements** by investing in "Blue Highways," rail freight, micromobility, and improved freight mobility.
- **Promote clean and safe industrial areas** by creating new design tools and partnerships to prioritize public realm management.
- **Prepare industrial areas for climate threats** by increasing flood preparedness and mitigating extreme heat.

A full version of the draft plan, an accompanying <u>Industrial Plan Explorer</u> with interactive data, and a digital opportunity for feedback, can be found on <u>nyc.gov/industrialplan</u>.

In October and November, the city will host "science fair- style" town halls across the five boroughs, to engage directly with residents, workers, business owners, and community stakeholders:

- Thursday, October 9th, 6:30pm
  - Borough of Manhattan Community College
     199 Chambers Street, New York
- Thursday, October 16th, 6:30pm
  - NYU Brooklyn

370 Jay Street, Room 1201, Brooklyn

- Thursday, October 23rd, 6:30pm
  - CUNY School of Law

2 Court Square, Long Island City, Queens

- Tuesday, October 28th, 6:30pm
  - Joan and Alan Bernikow JCC of Staten Island
     1466 Manor Rd, Staten Island
- Thursday, November 6th, 6:30pm
  - Bronx Borough Hall

851 Grand Concourse, Bronx

These are critical opportunities to listen to public input, to gather perspectives, and to ensure the final plan reflects the priorities and needs of communities across the city, and we encourage you to attend and help us spread the word.

Thank you for your continued partnership.

With appreciation,

Dan Garodnick
Director, Department of City Planning



#### NYC Industrial Plan - City Planning releases draft NYC Industrial Plan

From Industrial Plan (DCP)

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- Enable industrial businesses to evolve, innovate, and modernize by reducing red tape, investing in capacity building, workforce development programs, helping businesses adopt green technologies, and investing in innovation.
- Advance a balanced and coherent land and real estate strategy through land use policies that reinforce "Primary Industrial Areas" and promote the inclusion of industrial uses in mixed-use projects, while reducing regulatory barriers to industrial development and investment, and modernizing City processes to make it easier to site industrial operations.
- Support modern and efficient freight movements by investing in "Blue Highways", rail freight, micromobility, and improved freight mobility.
- Promote clean and safe industrial areas by creating new design tools and partnerships to prioritize public realm management.
- Prepare industrial areas for climate threats by increasing flood preparedness and mitigating extreme heat.

A full version of the draft plan, an accompanying <u>Industrial Plan Explorer</u> with interactive data, and a digital opportunity for feedback, can be found on <u>nyc.gov/industrialplan</u>.

Over the next few weeks, DCP will host conversations with key stakeholders to gauge their response to the draft plan. The final NYC Industrial Plan will be released at the end of 2025.

#### **Upcoming Industrial Plan Town Halls**

In October and November, the city will host "science fair" style town halls across the five boroughs, to engage directly with residents, workers, business owners, and community stakeholders. These are critical opportunities to listen to public input, gather perspectives, and ensure the final plan reflects the priorities and needs of communities across the city:

- Thursday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm
  - Borough of Manhattan Community College
  - 199 Chambers St, New York
- Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm
  - NYU Brooklyn
  - 370 Jay Street, Brooklyn
- Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30pm
  - CUNY School of Law
  - o 2 Court Square, Long Island City, Queens
- Tuesday, October 28th, 6:30pm
  - Joan and Alan Bernikow JCC of Staten Island
  - 1466 Manor Rd, Staten Island
- Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm
  - Bronx Borough Hall
  - 851 Grand Concourse, Bronx

These are critical opportunities to listen to public input, gather perspectives, and ensure the final plan reflects the priorities and needs of communities across the city, and we encourage you to attend and help us spread the word.

Click here to RSVP.

For any additional information about the plan, please feel free to reach out to our planning team at <a href="mailto:industrialplan@planning.nyc.gov">industrialplan@planning.nyc.gov</a>.

#### View the full draft plan

A full version of the draft plan, an accompanying <u>Industrial Plan Explorer</u> with interactive data, and a digital opportunity for feedback, can be found on <u>nyc.gov/industrialplan</u>.



## Save the Date and Spread the Word: NYC Industrial Plan Brooklyn Town Hall on Thursday, October 16th at 6:30pm at St. Francis College

From DCP IGA (DCP) < IGA@planning.nyc.gov>

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Please share the attached flyer for the upcoming NYC Industrial Plan Brooklyn Town Hall to all interested.

Thank you,

DCP IGA



# NYC Industrial Plan Brooklyn Town Hall

Learn more about the plan and get answers to your questions!

6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 16

**St. Francis College** 179 Livingston Street, 5th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201



**Hoyt-Schermerhorn Streets** 

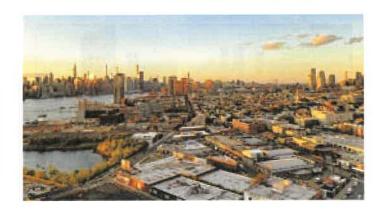


**Hoyt Street** 

RSVP at nyc.gov/industrialplan



## NYC INDUSTRIAL PLAN



The NYC Industrial Plan aims to bolster the city's industrial sector by creating a comprehensive framework to develop & support industrial businesses and jobs.







249K Jobs 19K Businesses 258K Jobs 24K Businesses 37K Jobs 4K Businesses

#### WHY CREATE AND INDUSTRIAL PLAN?

A century ago, New York City's industrial economy was oriented around ports and manufacturing. While today's industrial economy is smaller, it is incredibly diverse, an important source of jobs, and essential to the city's operations and future sustainability.

However, industrial businesses face substantial challenges, including high operating costs, real estate pressures, and climate-related risks, such as flooding and pollution that can also affect surrounding communities.

The NYC Industrial Plan can help us plan for the future of this critical sector at a comprehensive citywide scale.

#### THE INDUSTRIAL PLAN GOALS

**KEY CHALLENGES + RECOMMENDATIONS** 



Enable Industrial Businesses to Evolve, Innovate, and Transition to Green Technologies



Advance a Balanced and Coherent Land and Real Estate Strategy



Support Modern and Efficient Freight Movements



Promote Clean and Safe Industrial Spaces



Prepare Industrial Areas for Climate Threats

#### **ADD YOUR VOICE!**

Over the coming months, the city will be developing analysis & recommendations for the plan. Take the NYC Industrial Plan survey to tell us how you think we can better plan for the city's industrial businesses and areas!



SCAN FOR SURVEY!

The plan will be developed in accordance with Local Law 172 of 2023 by the Department of City Planning (DCP), the NYC Economic Development Corporation (EDC) and the Department of Small Business Services (SBS), with input from other city agencies and stakeholders. The plan will be completed by December 31, 2025 and updated every 8 years.



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## ALL ADOPTED RULES WITH UPCOMING EFFECTIVE DATES

## **Speed Limits for E-Bikes, E-Scooters, and Pedal-Assist Commercial Bicycles**

**Agency: Department of Transportation** 

Rule Effective Date: 10-24-2025

The adopted rule amends Sections 4-01 and 4-06 of the Traffic Rules imposing a speed limit for e-bikes, electric scooters, and pedal-assist commercial bicycles to align with the existing speed limit for electric scooters in the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law ("VTL"), ensuring speed limits are applied consistently across all e-mobility devices.

Read more

#### **Cyclist Awareness Decal**

Agency: Taxi and Limousine Commission

Rule Effective Date: 10-25-2025

Cyclist Awareness Decal Rule

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#### **Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Conversion**

Agency: Taxi and Limousine Commission

Rule Effective Date: 10-25-2025

Wheelchair Accessible Vehicle Conversion

#### **Installation of Electrical Energy Storage Systems**

**Agency: Department of Buildings** 

Rule Effective Date: 10-26-2025

Energy storage systems (ESS) are critical to the energy grid of the future because they balance energy supply with demand for electricity. Energy production, especially from renewable sources such as wind and solar, can be intermittent and is not always aligned with peak demand times. ESS, however, can store excess energy produced during low demand periods and release it during peak demand periods. ESS also enhance grid stability and reliability by providing backup power during outages, frequency regulation, and voltage control. This ensures a consistent and reliable supply of electricity.

#### Read more

#### **Busways – Clarification of Bus Lane Restrictions**

**Agency: Department of Transportation** 

Rule Effective Date: 11-02-2025

The adopted rule amends sections 4-01 and 4-12 of the Traffic Rules to clarify bus lane restrictions.

#### Read more

## Proposed Rules Implementing Industrial and Commercial Abatement Program (ICAP)

**Agency: Department of Finance** 

Rule Effective Date: 11-05-2025

The New York City Department of Finance ("DOF") is adopting the following rule change pursuant to the powers set forth in New York City Charter ("Charter") §§ 1043(a) and 1504, as well as Part 5 of Subchapter 2 of Chapter 2 of Title 11 of the New York City Administrative Code ("Administrative Code") and Title 2-F of Article 4 of the Real Property Tax Law ("RPTL"). This rule amendment consists of changes to bring the Rules of the City of New York ("RCNY") into alignment with changes to the Administrative Code and RPTL enacted by the Legislature in 2020, 2024 and 2025. These changes relate to the Industrial and Commercial Abatement Program ("ICAP"), which offers property tax abatements for up to 25 years for eligible industrial and

on July 21, 2025. See City Record at 4041-43 (Jul. 21, 2025). A hearing for public comment was held on August 20, 2025. DOF received written and oral comments.

#### Read more

## Amendment of Rules Relating to Collection of Commercial Waste

**Agency: Department of Sanitation** 

Rule Effective Date: 11-08-2025

In 2019, New York City enacted Local Law 199 requiring the establishment of a new program for the collection of commercial waste. The program, known as the Commercial Waste Zones (CWZ) program, is a safe, efficient, and competitive collection program designed to provide high-quality service to New York City businesses while advancing the City's waste diversion and sustainability goals. Pursuant to Local Law 199, codified in Title 16-B of the New York City Administrative Code ("Administrative Code"), the geographic area of New York City has been divided into 20 "commercial waste zones." Following a request for proposals, the Department selected three private carters (entities that are licensed to collect waste from commercial establishments) to provide commercial waste collection services within each CWZ and five carters to provide containerized commercial waste collection services from dumpsters and compactors Citywide. The selected carters are referred to as "awardees." The Department's contracts with the awardees, entered into pursuant to section 16-1002(a) of the Administrative Code include standards for pricing, customer service, safety, environmental health, and requirements to promote the City's commitment to recycling and sustainability. On January 2, 2025, the Department implemented the first CWZ—Queens Central. Following the implementation of Queens Central, the Department undertook a review of the CWZ rules to identify potential improvements based on lessons learned from implementing the first CWZ. The Department also established the implementation start date and final implementation date for the next two CWZs to be implemented after Queens Central—Bronx East and Bronx West. Through these rules, the Department implements those improvements and establishes the implementation start date and final implementation date for the next two CWZs to be implemented.

#### **Emission Controls for Existing Underfired Charbroilers**

**Agency: Department of Environmental Protection** 

Rule Effective Date: 11-20-2025

The Department of Environmental Protection is promulgating rules to establish requirements for control devices to reduce emissions from underfired charbroilers that were in place on or before May 6, 2016.

#### Read more

#### **Amendment of Insurance Requirements**

Agency: Taxi and Limousine Commission

Rule Effective Date: 01-01-2026

This rule package updates insurance requirements for the for-hire industry.

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#### **Window Guard Rules**

Agency: Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

Rule Effective Date: 01-01-2026

The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene adopted to repeal and restate Chapter 12 (Window Guards) of Title 24 of the Rules of the City of New York ("RCNY") in order to provide updated window safety requirements applicable to modern window types, eliminate the need for a Window Guard Policy and Acceptance Board, and introduce a more efficient process for manufacturers seeking approval of window fall prevention devices. No one testified at the hearing. Two written comments were received.

#### Read more

#### **Personal Injury Insurance Coverage**

Agency: Taxi and Limousine Commission

Rule Effective Date: 03-01-2026

Personal Injury Insurance Coverage

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## CCRB Week of Awareness October 20–24, 2025

# Have you or someone you know been a victim of NYPD misconduct?

File a complaint with the Civilian Complaint Review Board:

- In Person or by Mail: 100 Church Street (10 FL), New York, NY 10007

- Online on the CCRB website
- Over the Phone: 1-800-341-2272







## CREATING A CLEANER, MORE AFFORDABLE CITY: MAYOR ADAMS, ACTING DSNY COMMISSIONER LOJAN, DOF COMMISSIONER NIBLACK ANNOUNCE AUTOMATIC REBATES TO QUALIFIED HOMEOWNERS FOR PURCHASE OF NYC BIN

From NYC Mayor's Press Office

Date Thu 9/18/2025 8:02 AM

To BK01 (CB) < bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, NY 10007

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: September 18, 2025 CONTACT: pressoffice@cityhall.nyc.gov, (212) 788-2958

## CREATING A CLEANER, MORE AFFORDABLE CITY: MAYOR ADAMS, ACTING DSNY COMMISSIONER LOJAN, DOF COMMISSIONER NIBLACK ANNOUNCE AUTOMATIC REBATES TO QUALIFIED HOMEOWNERS FOR PURCHASE OF NYC BIN

Ahead of June 2026 Deadline to Use NYC Bins, Owners of One- and Two-Family Homes Who Receive STAR and E-STAR Will Receive Rebate Checks to Cover Cost of Bins

Rebates Will Go to All Eligible Households, Including Those Who Already Purchased Bins

Announces Steps for Those Who Meet Criteria and Have Yet to Purchase a Bin

**NEW YORK** – New York City Mayor Eric Adams, New York City Department of Sanitation (DSNY) Acting Commissioner Javier Lojan, and New York City Department of Finance (DOF) Commissioner Preston Niblack today announced that owners of one- and two-family homes who receive the Basic or Enhanced School Tax Relief (STAR or E-STAR) credit or exemption will receive a \$59.30 check to pay for the cost of their official NYC Bin. Checks are due to hit mailboxes in the coming weeks. Eligible homeowners will not have to do anything to receive the checks, as DOF will automatically be sending them.

As of November 12, 2024, all properties with one to nine residential units — including one- and two-family homes — are required to use bins, 55 gallons or less, with secure lids for trash set out. Those residents who already use a bin of similar size may continue to use it only until June 2026, when they will be required to use the official NYC Bin.

"Building a cleaner New York City is going to require all of us to work together to keep trash off our streets. To encourage everyone to do their part and to help put more money back into the pockets of working-class New Yorkers, we'll be covering the cost of the NYC Bin for most one- and two-family homeowners," said **Mayor Adams**. "Our 'Trash Revolution' is now not only making our city cleaner, but also more affordable. I encourage everyone who has not yet to order an NYC Bin to do so today. There's no reason to wait — cleaning up our city starts at home, so make sure to get your NYC Bin and get cash back."

"While NYC Bins were already the most affordable containers of their quality on the market, this rebate makes it even easier for homeowners to purchase their NYC Bins," said **DSNY Acting Commissioner Lojan**. "NYC Bins are delivering cleaner streets and sidewalks and fewer rats, and I encourage those who have not yet ordered their bin to use this check to make their purchase in the coming weeks."

"This rebate is one more way we're making life in the city more affordable for working-class New Yorkers," said **DOF Commissioner Niblack**. "Homeowners don't need to fill out any forms or applications — if you're eligible, you'll get your check in the mail automatically. We're proud to play a part in keeping our city cleaner, healthier, and more affordable for everyone."

The DOF will send letters in the coming weeks notifying homeowners of this refund:

- Homeowners who have already purchased their NYC Bin online or by phone will automatically receive a check for \$59.30.
- Those who have not yet purchased their NYC Bin will receive a letter notifying them that when they purchase their bin <u>online</u> or by calling 855-692-2467, they will automatically receive a check within 30 days of making their purchase.
- Those who have purchased or will purchase their NYC Bin in person at Home Depot will receive a voucher code that they can use online with a proof of purchase to request their reimbursement check.

STAR and E-STAR credits and exemptions are generally for property owners whose total household income is less than \$500,000. The DOF will mail checks to homeowners who have applied for this credit in 2024 or 2025.

The rat-resistant NYC Bins are compatible with mechanical tippers being installed on DSNY's standard rearloading collection trucks, which facilitate safer and cleaner collection.

Today's announcement builds on Mayor Adams' commitment to a cleaner, more affordable city, and is another step in the "Trash Revolution," the Adams administration's citywide effort to move trash from black bags on the sidewalk to rat-resistant, closed containers:

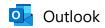
- In October 2022, the Adams administration kicked off the Trash Revolution <u>by changing set-out times</u> for both residential and commercial waste from 4:00 PM one of the earliest set-out times in the country to 8:00 PM beginning in April 2023, while also allowing earlier set-out if the material is in a container. This incentivization of containerization was paired with major changes to DSNY operations, picking up well over a quarter of all trash at 12:00 AM rather than at 6:00 AM, particularly in high density parts of the city, and ending a practice by which up to one-fifth of trash had been purposefully left out for a full day.
- Later that month, DSNY published the "<u>Future of Trash</u>" report, the first meaningful attempt to study containerization models in New York City, and the playbook to get it done.
- In July 2023, containerization requirements went into effect for <u>all food-related businesses in New York City</u>. These businesses restaurants, delis, bodegas, bars, grocery stores, caterers, and more produce an outsized amount of the type of trash that attracts rats.
- That same month, installation of the initial 10-block, 14-school, Manhattan Community Board 9 pilot containers began leading to reductions in rat sightings of approximately 60 percent.

- In September 2023, commercial containerization requirements extended to chain businesses of any type with five or more locations in New York City. These chain businesses tend to produce a large total volume of trash.
- In February 2024, Mayor Adams <u>unveiled a new, automated, side-loading garbage truck</u> and a new datadriven containerization strategy, affirming a commitment from <u>Mayor Adams' 2024 State of the City</u> <u>address</u> to set New York City on the course to store all trash put out for pickup in containers. This truck was unveiled four years earlier than industry experts thought possible.
- In March 2024, <u>container requirements went into effect for all businesses</u> of every type in New York City to get their trash off the streets and into a secure bin.
- In November 2024, container requirements went into effect for <u>low-density residential buildings</u> those with one to nine units containerizing approximately 70 percent of all trash in the city.
- In May 2025, Mayor Adams <u>committed over \$32 million in permanent funding</u> for DSNY to keep New York City clean as part of the Fiscal Year 2026 Executive Budget, better known as the "<u>Best Budget Ever</u>." This decision permanently allocates resources to key aspects of Mayor Adams' cleanliness agenda, establishing permanent high levels of funding to protect the cleanliness and quality of life of city neighborhoods for generations to come.
- In June 2025, Mayor Adams announced that following the installation of approximately 1,100 onstreet containers for residential trash from the largest buildings 100 percent of trash in Manhattan Community Board 9 is now covered by containerization requirements.

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#### [EXTERNAL] New York City History Day at BPL is coming up!

From Aaron Soriano

Date Tue 9/16/2025 5:13 PM

To Aaron SorianoCc Michael Fieni

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The <u>Center for Brooklyn History</u> (CBH) at Brooklyn Public Library is proud to host <u>New York City History</u> <u>Day</u> (NYCHD), a free program that invites middle and high school students across all five boroughs to conduct original historical research and present their work as exhibits, documentaries, papers, performances, or websites. This year's theme is "Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History."

As Brooklyn's nationally recognized research library and public history institution, CBH provides free access to extensive archives, exhibitions, educational programs, and expert guidance from librarians. Every visit is an opportunity to learn something new, and through History Day, students gain valuable research, writing, and communication skills that prepare them for college and beyond.

Importantly, **there are no entrance fees** associated with New York City History Day, and CBH will cover fees for students who advance to the State and National contests and qualify for assistance. This ensures that every student, regardless of background, can participate fully in this transformative program.

What: 2026 Annual New York City History Day Contest Launch

**Who**: Free for middle and high school students across all five boroughs **FAQ or more info**: <a href="https://www.bklynlibrary.org/content/history-day-faqs">https://www.bklynlibrary.org/content/history-day-faqs</a>

We hope you will help us spread the word by sharing this free opportunity with students, parents, and educators in your community. Promoting NYCHD is a simple way to connect young New Yorkers with an enriching experience that fosters civic engagement and brings history to life.

More information, resources, and registration details are available at <a href="https://dx.doi.org/history-day">bklynlib.org/history-day</a>

All my best,



The Center for Brooklyn History / New York City History Day

#### **New York City History Day**

History Day 2026 is here! Join us for the kickoff on September 18 at the Center for Brooklyn History. Registration here.

New York City History Day (NYCHD) is a program where students in grades 6-12 create projects based on original historical research and analysis. Students have the opportunity to win prizes and progress to the State and National History Day (NHD) contests. This year's theme is "Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History."

#### **Important 2026 Contest Updates:**

- Documentary category submissions will be judged at the in-person contest on March 1, 2026. To submit to this category, as well as the performance and exhibit categories, you must be able to attend the event on Sunday, March 1, 2026 at the Central Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library in Grand Army Plaza.
- Beginning in 2026, schools will only be able to submit two projects per category.
   For example: each school can submit up to two individual documentaries and two group documentaries but cannot submit three individual documentaries.
- The History Day theme for 2026 is Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History.

#### **NYCHD** is FREE for all New York City students!

There are no entrance fees associated with New York City History Day and the Center for Brooklyn History will cover fees for students who qualify for the State and National Contest. Travel scholarships are also be available. NYCHD invites entries in the junior (middle school) and senior (high school) divisions for the following categories: Documentary, Exhibit, Paper, Performance, and Website.

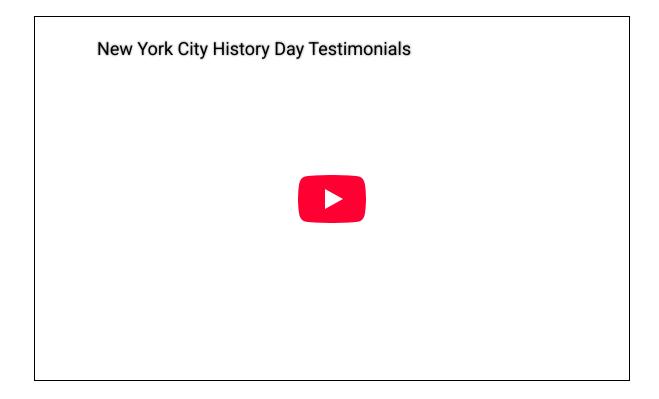
#### **Find Resources:**

STUDENTS

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FAQs + MORE

Click <u>HERE</u> to access slides from the 2026 kickoff by CBH Chief Historian, Dominique Jean-Louis to learn more about the annual theme and finding a topic right for you!



#### **Key Dates**

- Teacher Workshop: History Day in your Classroom -October 16, 4:00 PM, Center for Brooklyn History.
   Free, <u>register here.</u>
- History Day Registration will open January 5, 2026

(see below for a full list of student and educator events)

#### **2026 Contest Dates**

- Registration for New York City History Day: January 5 February 4, 2026
- Virtual Judging: Papers, and Websites: February 12 March 1, 2026
- In-Person Judging: Documentaries, Exhibits, and Performances: Sunday,
   March 1, 2026

#### Award Ceremony: Thursday, March 5, 2026

First and Second place winners of the New York City Contest will be eligible for the New York State contest held at SUNY Oneonta on Sunday, April 26, 2026. CBH can help students and families participating plan for the trip and provide transportation and lodging. The First and Second place winners at the State level will be eligible for the National Contest held at the University of Maryland in College Park, MD June 14 -18, 2026. CBH can provide financial assistance for students going to NHD.

New York City History Day is generously supported by the Rose M. Badgeley Residuary Charitable Trust and the Morris and Alma Schapiro Fund.

#### **Upcoming Events**

#### Teacher Workshop: History Day in your Classroom





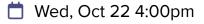
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Join us at the Center for Brooklyn History for a crash course in New York City History Day (NYCHD). NYCHD is the regional contest for National History Day, a program where students in grades 6-12 create projects based on original historical research and analysis. Learn how to incorporate...

#### NYC History Day: Choosing a Topic Student Workshop







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**NYC History Day** 

In this virtual workshop we will consider how to choose a topic for this year's History Day theme, "Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History." Students will gain a better understanding of the 2026 theme as well as strategies to brainstorm a topic for their own History Day project. Come ready with...

#### NYC History Day: Center for Brooklyn **History Student Archive Visit, Starting your** Research



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NYC History Day

Join the NYC History Day Team for a visit to the Center for Brooklyn History's Othmer Library. Attendees will explore our collections, learn how to research in an archive, and get tips on how to use archival research in History Day projects. We will discuss the many kinds of questions...

#### **Exhibition**



#### **New York City History Day Showcase**

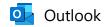
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#### Proposed Rule - Amendment of Rules relating to Gas Piping Inspections

From Andrea Maggio (Buildings)

Date Thu 9/18/2025 4:03 PM

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Proposed Rule - Amendment of Rules relating to Gas Piping Inspections will have a public hearing remotely via Microsoft Teams on October 27, 2025 at 11 a.m. The Proposed Rule will be published in the City Record on September 24, 2025.

Thank you, Andrea

Andrea Maggio Executive Assistant I Rules Coordinator General Counsel's Office NYC Department of Buildings

#### **NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS**

#### Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Rules

What are we proposing? The Department of Buildings (DOB) is proposing to amend its rule regarding periodic inspection of gas piping systems.

**When and where is the hearing?** DOB will hold a public hearing on the proposed rule online. The public hearing will take place at 11am on 10/27/25.

#### Join through Internet – Desktop app:

To join the hearing via your browser either click on the following URL link or copy and paste it into your browser's address bar. Then follow the prompts to either continue using the browser or download/open the Teams desktop app.

Enter your name when prompted and click the "Join now" button. If you don't have computer audio or prefer to phone in for audio, select "Phone audio" under "Other join options" then click the "Join now" button. You will first be placed in a waiting status in the virtual lobby, then be admitted when the hearing begins. If you are using phone audio then follow the dial-in instructions when prompted.

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#### Join through Internet - Smartphone app:

To join using the Microsoft Teams app on your smartphone, click on the following URL link from your phone to automatically open the Teams app. Note that the Microsoft Teams app must already be installed on your smartphone. It is available for free both in the Apple Store and Google Play.

https://events.gcc.teams.microsoft.com/event/5f430c42-aa5c-49ba-b253-73392ce5ad93@32f56fc7-5f81-4e22-a95b-15da66513bef

When prompted select "Join meeting". Type your name and then select "Join meeting" again. You will first be placed in a waiting status in the virtual lobby, then be admitted when the hearing begins.

**PLEASE NOTE:** The above links are used to register for the hearing. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email that will include a link to join the hearing. If you should run into technical difficulties when using the above links to register or you do not receive the registration confirmation email with your link to join the hearing, please use one of the following alternative methods to join the hearing. You should receive the confirmation email within a short time of registering. Please check your junk email folder too if you do not see the email in your inbox. Best practice is to register for the hearing prior to the actual hearing date.

Alternatively, open the Teams app and select "Join a meeting". Signing in with an account is not required. Type your name, the following Meeting ID and Passcode, then select "Join meeting".

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You will first be placed in a waiting status in the virtual lobby, then be admitted when the hearing begins.

**How do I comment on the proposed rules?** Anyone can comment on the proposed rules by:

- **Website.** You can submit comments to the DOB through the NYC rules website at <a href="http://rules.cityofnewyork.us">http://rules.cityofnewyork.us</a>.
- **Email.** You can email comments to dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov.
- **Mail.** You can mail comments to the New York City Department of Buildings, Office of the General Counsel, 280 Broadway, 7th floor, New York, NY 10007.
- Speaking at the hearing. Anyone who wants to comment on the proposed rule at the
  public hearing must sign up to speak. You can sign up by emailing
  dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov by 10/20/25 and including your name and affiliation. While
  you will be given the opportunity during the hearing to indicate that you would like to
  provide comments, we prefer that you sign up in advance. You can speak for up to three
  minutes. Please note that the hearing is for accepting oral testimony only and is not held
  in a "Question and Answer" format.

**Is there a deadline to submit comments?** Yes, you must submit comments by 10/27/25.

What if I need assistance to participate in the hearing? You must tell the Office of the General Counsel if you need a reasonable accommodation of a disability at the hearing. You can tell us by email at <a href="mailto:dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov">dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov</a>. Advance notice is requested to allow sufficient time to arrange the accommodation. You must tell us by 10/13/25.

This location has the following accessibility option(s) available: Simultaneous transcription for people who are hearing impaired, and audio only access for those who are visually impaired.

Can I review the comments made on the proposed rules? You can review the comments made online on the proposed rules by going to the website at <a href="http://rules.cityofnewyork.us/">http://rules.cityofnewyork.us/</a>. Copies of all comments submitted online, copies of all written comments and a summary of oral comments concerning the proposed rule will be available to the public at the Office of the General Counsel and may be requested by email at <a href="mailto:dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov">dobrules@buildings.nyc.gov</a>.

What authorizes DOB to make this rule? Sections 643 and 1043(a) of the City Charter, and article 112 of chapter 1 and article 318 of chapter 3 of Title 28 of the New York City Administrative Code, authorize DOB to make this proposed rule. The rule was included in the regulatory agenda for this Fiscal Year.

Where can I find DOB's rules? DOB's rules are in Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York.

What rules govern the rulemaking process? DOB must meet the requirements of section 1043 of the City Charter when creating or changing rules. This notice is made according to the requirements of section 1043(b) of the City Charter.

#### Statement of Basis and Purpose of Proposed Rule

Under Local Law 152 of 2016, codified in article 318 of chapter 3 of Title 28 of the New York City Administrative Code, gas piping systems must be inspected periodically, and certificates of inspection must be submitted to the owner and DOB in accordance with section 103-10 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York.

The Department of Buildings (DOB) proposes to amend sections 101-03 and 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York to address new filing fees, penalty waivers, and requirements after receiving a violation. In 2015, DOB introduced DOB NOW, an electronic portal to replace the former BIS system. All building owners are now required to submit documents digitally through DOB NOW, and the procedures for submitting documentation related to gas piping system inspections are now being integrated into the DOB NOW platform. These amendments address the transfer of this process to DOB NOW from a paper submission system and create new procedures to govern digital submissions. These amendments would also address the imposition of penalties for noncompliance beginning in Cycle 2a. With the move to DOB NOW, DOB will begin enforcing penalties, and these amendments reflect this change and establish grounds for penalty waivers.

Specifically, the amendments would:

- Add filing fees for:
  - submission of the certification of the gas piping system periodic inspection,
  - o extension requests to submit initial certification or to correct conditions,
  - o certification of correction to gas piping systems,
  - o certification of no gas piping system in the building, and
  - o documentation regarding no gas service in the building;
- Allow certification from a utility company to be used to establish that the building has no gas piping;
- Clarify that certification of no gas piping in the building is a one-time submission to DOB;
- Require inspectors of a gas piping system to notify DOB two days before the performance of an inspection;

- Require owners who receive a violation for failure to file certification of the gas piping system periodic inspection to resolve the violation by submitting payment of a civil penalty for such violation and submitting certification of a gas piping system periodic inspection, certification that the building has no gas piping system, or documentation establishing the building has no gas service;
- Clarify that certification is not considered filed until it is fully uploaded in DOB NOW;
- · Establish penalty waivers for violations; and
- Correct references.

DOB's authority for these rules is found in sections 643 and 1043(a) of the City Charter, and article 112 of chapter 1 and article 318 of chapter 3 of Title 28 of the New York City Administrative Code.

#### New material is underlined.

[Deleted material is in brackets.]

Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate unamended text.

"Shall" and "must" denote mandatory requirements and may be used interchangeably in the rules of this department, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Section 1. Section 101-03 of subchapter A of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding the following entries at the end of the table set forth in that section:

Filing fee for certification of the gas piping system periodic inspection.	<u>\$35</u>
Filing fee for extension request to submit initial certification or extension request to correct conditions.	<u>\$35</u>
Filing fee for gas piping certification of correction.	<u>\$35</u>
Filing fee for certification of no gas piping system in the building.	<u>\$375</u>
Filing fee for documentation regarding no gas service in the building.	\$480

- §2. Paragraphs (2), (3), (4) and (5) of subdivision (a) of section 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York are amended to read as follows:
  - (2) This requirement for periodic inspections does not apply to buildings that contain no gas piping system, provided that the owner of such a building submits to

the Department, in a form and manner determined by the commissioner, along with a filing fee as specified in the rules of the Department, a certification from <u>a utility company</u>, a registered design professional, or a licensed master plumber or an individual under the direct and continuing supervision of a licensed master plumber, stating that the building contains no gas piping system. <u>Such statements need only be submitted once</u>. The due date for submitting such a certification pursuant to this paragraph shall be as follows:

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- (3) A building that contains gas piping but is not currently supplied with gas, that does not contain any appliance connected to any gas piping, and that complies with section 28-318.3.5 of the Administrative Code is not required to undergo a gas piping inspection otherwise required under this section. The due date for submitting the statements required by section 28-318.3.5, along with a filing fee as specified in section 101-03 of the rules of the Department, is the same as the due dates set forth in paragraph (2) of this subdivision. [Such statements need only be submitted once, provided that there continues to be no gas service.] Where the owner seeks to resume gas service, the owner must comply with the provisions of section 28-318.3.6.
- (4) Inspections of building gas piping systems required under this section must be conducted at least once every four (4) years and in accordance with the following periodic inspection schedule:

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- (iv) In calendar year 2023, and within every fourth calendar year thereafter, building gas piping systems shall be inspected in community districts 11, 12, 14, 15, and 17 and in any community district not specified in this paragraph [(3)] in all boroughs.
- (5) The initial inspection for a new building with a gas piping system [shall] <u>must</u> be performed during the tenth year after the Department has issued a certificate of occupancy for such building. Following such initial inspection, a new building's subsequent periodic inspection must be conducted in accordance with the periodic inspection schedule set forth in paragraph [(3)] (4) of this subdivision.
- §3. Subdivision (a) of section 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new paragraph (6) to read as follows:
  - (6) An inspection entity qualified to conduct inspections of gas piping systems pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section must notify the Department of the performance of a gas piping system inspection. Such notice must be submitted to the Department in a form and manner as determined by the Department at least two (2) days prior to the performance of such gas piping system inspection.
- §4. Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of section 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new subparagraph (iii) to read as follows:

- (iii) The Department will not consider for review an inspection report or a certification of inspection if such report or certification is in a pre-filing or Quality Assurance failed status.
- §5. Paragraph (6) of subdivision (d) of section 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:
  - (6) Owners who are unable to obtain an inspection of a building's gas piping systems pursuant to this section by the date set forth in paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of this section may receive a 180-day extension of the due date for such inspection and the filing of any certification required to be filed after such inspection, upon notification to the Department in a form and manner determined by the commissioner and submission of a filing fee as specified in section 101-03 of the rules of the Department.
- §6. Subdivision (f) of section 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:
- (f) Civil penalties for failure to file certification. A building owner who fails to submit a certification required to be submitted pursuant to this section on or before the filing due date specified in paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of this section will be liable for a civil penalty of:
  - (1) One thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) for a 3-family building; or
  - (2) five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for all other buildings.

To resolve a violation for failure to file certification of a gas piping system periodic inspection, an owner must submit payment of the civil penalty and file a certification of the gas piping system periodic inspection, certification of no gas piping system in the building, or documentation regarding no gas service in the building. Payment of the civil penalty and certification of the gas piping system periodic inspection, certification of no gas piping system in the building, or documentation regarding no gas service in the building may be submitted separately.

A certification is not considered filed if it is in pre-filing or Quality Assurance failed status.

- §7. Section 103-10 of chapter 100 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended by adding a new subdivision (h) to read as follows:
- (h) Penalty waivers; eligibility and evidentiary requirements. An owner may request a waiver of penalties assessed for violation of Article 318 of Title 28 of the Administrative Code, the New York City Building Code and/or related rules enforced by the Department. Requests must be made through the Department's website and must meet eligibility and evidentiary requirements as follows:

#### (1) Owner Status

(i) New owner. A new owner may be granted a waiver of penalties contingent upon the Department's acceptance of the owner's proof that transfer of ownership to the new owner occurred after penalties were incurred. Proof includes a recorded deed evidencing a bona fide transfer of

ownership to the current owner after penalties were incurred, as well as any other documentation requested by the Department.

- (ii) Government ownership. A new owner of a property previously owned by a government entity requesting a waiver due to change in ownership must submit official documentation from the government entity affirming that the premises was entirely owned by the government entity during the period for which a waiver is requested.
- (iii) Bankruptcy. An owner may be granted a waiver of penalties upon submission of a copy of an order signed by a bankruptcy court judge reflecting the owner's bankruptcy.
- (iv) State of emergency. If a state of emergency is declared that prevents an owner from conducting an inspection or filing a certification, an owner may be granted a waiver of penalties.

#### (2) Building Status

- (i) Building conversion or misclassification. An owner requesting a waiver because the building was converted to an R3 occupancy, or misclassified as other than an R3 occupancy when it is an R3 occupancy, must submit city or departmental records evidencing the R3 occupancy of the building prior to the filing deadline.
- (ii) Demolished building. An owner may be granted a waiver if the full demolition of the building occurred prior to the inspection cycle for which the report was due, and such demolition was signed off by the Department, or a new building permit has been issued for the property.
- (iii) Sealed or vacated building. An owner requesting a waiver because the entire building was ordered to be sealed or vacated by a government agency, including but not limited to the Department, the Department of Housing Preservation and Development, the Fire Department or the Office of Emergency Management, or by court order prior to the expiration of the inspection cycle for which the report was due, must provide city, court, or departmental records evidencing the order to seal or vacate the entire building.
- Building has no gas piping system. An owner may be granted a waiver of penalties contingent upon the Department's acceptance of proof that there was work in progress for the removal of the gas piping which had a projected date of completion prior to the deadline in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) of this rule, but was unable to be completed in time to file the certification by the due date because of some unforeseen circumstance, which must be explained in the request. An owner must also submit the certification of no gas piping system that resulted from such work.
- (4) Building has no active gas service. An owner requesting a waiver because the building has no active gas service must file the required documentation showing that the

building was not supplied with gas and no appliance was connected to any gas piping on the day of the deadline set out in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of this rule.

(5) Gas work in progress. An owner may be granted a waiver of the civil penalty imposed for failing to file a certification of correction because there is permitted gas work in progress for the replacement or installation of a gas piping system or a major renovation to correct a defect. An owner must provide the job number for such gas work, proof of compliance with paragraphs (2) and (3) of subdivision (d), and any other documentation requested by the Department.

#### NEW YORK CITY MAYOR'S OFFICE OF OPERATIONS 253 BROADWAY, 10<sup>th</sup> FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10007 212-788-1400

#### CERTIFICATION / ANALYSIS PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION 1043(d)

**RULE TITLE:** Amendment of Rules Relating to Gas Piping Inspections

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** DOB-200

**RULEMAKING AGENCY:** Department of Buildings

I certify that this office has analyzed the proposed rule referenced above as required by Section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the proposed rule referenced above:

- (i) Is understandable and written in plain language for the discrete regulated community or communities;
- (ii) Minimizes compliance costs for the discrete regulated community or communities consistent with achieving the stated purpose of the rule; and
- (iii) Does not provide a cure period because a cure period is not practicable under the circumstances.

/s/ Francisco X. Navarro

Mayor's Office of Operations

September 17, 2025

Date

#### NEW YORK CITY LAW DEPARTMENT DIVISION OF LEGAL COUNSEL 100 CHURCH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10007 212-356-4028

#### **CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO**

#### **CHARTER §1043(d)**

**RULE TITLE:** Amendment of Rules Relating to Gas Piping Inspections

**REFERENCE NUMBER: 2025 RG 048** 

**RULEMAKING AGENCY:** Department of Buildings

I certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced proposed rule as required by section 1043(d) of the New York City Charter, and that the above-referenced proposed rule:

- (i) is drafted so as to accomplish the purpose of the authorizing provisions of law;
- (ii) is not in conflict with other applicable rules;
- (iii) to the extent practicable and appropriate, is narrowly drawn to achieve its stated purpose; and
- (iv) to the extent practicable and appropriate, contains a statement of basis and purpose that provides a clear explanation of the rule and the requirements imposed by the rule.

Date: September 17, 2025

/s/ STEVEN GOULDEN
Senior Counsel



To better understand and advocate for the needs of older New Yorkers and caregivers, NYC Aging conducted a citywide Service Needs Assessment, and you can explore the findings in *The State of Older New Yorkers: Building an Age-Inclusive Future.* 

#### **Key findings from the report include:**

- Approximately 40% of older adult caregivers indicated they they are also care receivers, meaning that they receive regular assistance with at least one day to day task.
- Close to 55% of New Yorkers under 60 reported spending at least 15 or more hours per week on caregiving responsibilities.
- 41% of older adults reported difficulty paying at least one bill.
- Over 36% of older adults reported at least one factor impacting their ability to access or use some of the rooms or spaces in their home.
- Approximately 30% of older adults reported difficulty or an outright inability to purchase affordable, healthy food in their communities.

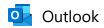
#### Here are some of the ways the City is addressing these issues:

- Established the Cabinet for Older New Yorkers, bringing together over 30 City agencies to focus on the needs of older adults, break down silos, and create an age-inclusive city through new policies and programs.
- Assigned an Older Adult Liaison to every NYPD Precinct and Police Service Area to assist older residents, identify crime patterns, and educate NYPD staff on how to better identify elder abuse.
- In the City's Fiscal Year 2025, 54,943 older New Yorkers received help signing up for the Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption and/or Disability Rent Increase Exemption, helping them afford to live in their communities.
- NYC Public Schools are teaching students about ageism so the next generation
  of New Yorkers can recognize this form of discrimination and understand
  impact on our society.

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#### **NYC Board of Correction Monitoring Unit Quarterly Report**

From BOC (BOC)

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#### Good afternoon,

On September 22, 2025, the New York City Board of Correction ("BOC" or "Board") released a report that provides an update on the complaints received by our agency from individuals in custody, family, staff, and other agencies.

The semi-annual Monitoring Report is a comprehensive overview of our ongoing oversight of the city's jails. In the last six months of 2024, the Board received 1,229 complaints—an increase of 7.42% over the previous six months—demonstrating the continued importance of our mission. This report reaffirms the Board's commitment to transparency and to upholding the minimum standards set forth in Title 40 of the Rules of the City of New York. Through daily in-person tours and detailed reviews of documentation from the New York City Department of Correction ("Department" or "DOC") and Correctional Health Services ("CHS"), the Monitoring unit works tirelessly to monitor conditions of confinement.

This report builds on our previous quarterly analyses, presenting key data on the volume of complaints, actions taken by Board staff, and responses from DOC and CHS. The Monitoring unit identifies trends, recurring issues, and ongoing systemic challenges—such as overcrowding, health and medical concerns, and access to tablets—offering a candid look at the state of New York City's jails and our efforts to foster positive change.

You can access the Board's report on our website: <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/site/boc/reports/board-of-correction-reports.page">https://www.nyc.gov/site/boc/reports/board-of-correction-reports.page</a>

A copy of the Monitoring Unit Quarterly Report is attached to this email.



## New York City Board of Correction Monitoring Unit Semi-Annual Report

July 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024

#### Overview

This is the New York City Board of Correction's (the "Board" or "BOC") second semi-annual Monitoring report. During the last six months of 2024, 1,229 complaints were entered into the Board's data management system, reflecting a 7.42% increase in complaints submitted to the Board in the first six months of 2024. This report underscores the Board's ongoing commitment to ensure transparency and compliance with the Board's minimum standards set forth in Title 40 of the Rules of the City of New York. The Monitoring unit continues its tireless efforts to monitoring conditions of confinement within New York City's jails through daily in-person tours and thorough examination of documents provided by the New York City Department of Correction ("Department" or "DOC") and Correctional Health Services ("CHS").

This report, similar to the Monitoring unit's previous quarterly report<sup>1</sup>, includes information detailing the number of complaints received during the reporting period, actions taken by the Board staff to address and resolve issues in New York City jails, and responses from both DOC and CHS. The Monitoring unit focuses on identifying clear trends and patterns in the complaints received, as well as identifying areas where systemic issues persist. Consequently, this report highlights recurring issues observed during the reporting period, such as overcrowding, health/medical concerns, and tablets.

#### Complaints<sup>2</sup>

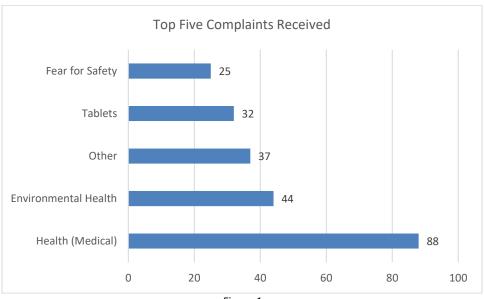
Between July 1, 2024, and December 31, 2024, the Board received 1,229 complaints. The Board's internal complaint system allows individuals to file complaints through various channels, including in-person interviews, telephone calls, mail, voicemail, or through staff observations.

#### **Third Quarter of Calendar Year 2024**

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> New York City Board of Correction Monitoring Unit Quarterly Report: https://www.nyc.gov/assets/boc/downloads/pdf/NYC-Board-of-Correction-Monitoring-Unit-Quarterly-Report-Final 2024.11.25.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Board staff receive complaints through several avenues of communication across BOC's two offices. Incarcerated individuals, families, and agencies can call or visit BOC's Manhattan office and file a complaint. Emails can be submitted to BOC's general email address or directly to the Executive Director through BOC's website, which are then fielded to the assigned monitor of any jail. Lastly, but most importantly, incarcerated individuals' communications with staff, and inperson observations by the monitors, are documented and investigated. All complaints are entered into BOC's internal data management system.

In the third quarter of 2024, between July 1st and September 30<sup>th</sup>, 575 complaints were recorded in the Board's internal data management system, categorized as one of the 59 possible complaint types <sup>3</sup>in the Board's system. These entries reflect various issues reported by concerned constituents and people in custody. The top five categories of complaints received during this period were fear for safety, tablets, environmental health, access to medical care, and other unspecified types.



#### Figure 1

#### Fourth Quarter of Calendar Year 2024

In the fourth quarter of 2024, between October 1st and December 31st, the top five categories of complaints received by the Board included health (medical), fear for safety, tablets, other unspecified types, and bedding (specifically linen exchange). A total of 654 complaints were received, marking a 13.74% increase in the volume of complaints.

<sup>3</sup> Complaint categories are listed on page 3 of the Monitoring Unit Quarterly Report covering the first six months of 2024.

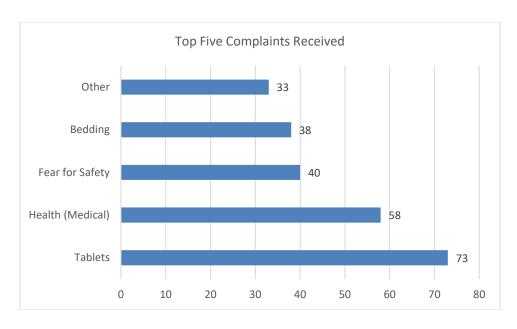


Figure 2

#### Minimum Standards and Main Concerns

#### Overcrowding

In October 2024, BOC staff assigned to three facilities on Rikers Island reported significant census population increases at the jails. Board staff reviewed the census data for October 23, 2024 to determine capacity across all open jails, focusing on the Eric M. Taylor Center (EMTC), Otis Bantum Correctional Center (OBCC), and West Facility (WF). According to census information provided to the Board, EMTC, the new admission jail for the male population had spiked one week during October 2024 and had only 18 available beds for the entire facility. According to the Department's census information provided for October 23, EMTC's census was 1,566, with the bed capacity at 1,586. Almost all the open dormitory housing areas were overcrowded with incarcerated individuals. They exceeded the allowed capacity of 50 beds per unit for detainees and 60 beds per unit for city sentenced people in custody.

At OBCC, the available bed space on that date was 79. OBCC had over 20 general population units and six mental observation housing units. The census for that day was 1,439, with a standard capacity of 1,245 beds. Continuing with the census tracking for October 23, West Facility's census was 659, with a standard capacity of 684 beds, resulting in available bed space of 25. In October 2023, West Facility expanded its housing capacity by opening 12 dormitory units housing males with minimum to medium classification scores.

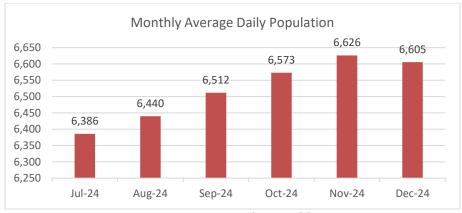
Both agencies recognized the rise in the jail population and worked together to find solutions to address the issue. On November 8, 2024, DOC requested a limited 4-month variance<sup>4</sup>

(a) Policy. The Department may apply for a variance from a specific subdivision or section of these minimum standards when compliance cannot be achieved or continued. A "limited variance" is an exemption granted by the Board from full

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> § 1-15 Variances.

regarding the Board's overcrowding standards (§§ 1-04(c)(2), 1-04(c)(3), and 1-04(c)(5)(i))<sup>5</sup>. The Department reported a 26% increase in the population since January 2022 and an ongoing staffing crisis as explanations for the request. The variance had four phases to address the increased population, specifically in dormitory areas at OBCC, increasing bed space from 50 to 60 beds per unit. The Board approved the variance request on November 12, 2024.

The Department's jail population continued to steadily increase over the last six months of 2024. Despite a slight  $\approx$ 0.3% decrease in the census population between November and December, overcrowding remained an issue at the new admission jail, EMTC.



Source: DOC Data

compliance with a particular subdivision or section for a specified period of time. A "continuing variance" is an exemption granted by the Board from full compliance with a particular subdivision or section for an indefinite period of time. An "emergency variance" as defined in paragraph (b)(3) of this section is an exemption granted by the Board from full compliance with a particular subdivision or section for no more than 30 days.

- (b) Limited, continuing and emergency variances.
  - (1) The Department may apply to the Board for a variance when:
- (i) despite its best efforts, and the best efforts of other New York City officials and agencies, full compliance with the subdivision or section cannot be achieved, or
  - (ii) compliance is to be achieved for a limited period in a manner other than specified in the subdivision or section.
- (2) The Department may apply to the Board for a continuing variance when despite its best efforts and the best efforts of other New York City officials and agencies compliance cannot be achieved in the foreseeable future because:
- (i) full compliance with a specific subdivision or section would create extreme practical difficulties as a result of circumstances unique to a particular facility, and lack of full compliance would not create a danger or undue hardship to staff or prisoners; or
  - (ii) compliance is to be achieved in an alternative manner sufficient to meet the intent of the subdivision or section.

#### <sup>5</sup> § 1-04 Overcrowding.

- (c) Multiple occupancy.
- (1) A multiple-occupancy area shall contain for each occupant a single bed, a closeable storage container for personal property and a table or desk space that is available for use at least 12 hours per day.
- (2) Multiple-occupancy areas shall provide a minimum of 60 square feet of floor space per person in the sleeping area.
- (3) A multiple-occupancy area shall provide a minimum of one operable toilet and shower for every 8 prisoners and one operable sink for every 10 prisoners. Toilets shall be accessible for use without staff assistance 24 hours per day.
- (4) A multiple-occupancy area shall provide a dayroom space that is physically and acoustically separate from but immediately adjacent and accessible to the sleeping area, except for cells designed or rated for two or more occupants, opened on or prior to January 1, 2000.
  - (5) A multiple occupancy area shall house no more than:
    - (i) 50 Detainees
- (ii) 60 Sentenced Prisoners. This subparagraph shall be applicable to all multi-occupancy areas opened after July 1, 1985.
- (d) Decontamination showers. The Department shall not maintain any locked decontamination showers.

#### Health/Medical

Adequate healthcare is a fundamental human right for incarcerated individuals. During the reporting period, 146 health and medical complaints were submitted to BOC by people in custody, loved ones, and other agencies reporting that people in custody were not afforded access to medical services. Many of the complaints were specifically about not being afforded sick call. In August 2024, the Board published a Utilization of Sick Call in New York City Jails (January 1 through December 31, 2023)<sup>6</sup> report, in which key findings concluded that people in custody were not being escorted to the clinic for sick call. CHS developed the Health Triage Line in 2019 as its initiative and implemented it in 2020 so patients could contact CHS directly.

While CHS staff rely on DOC to escort patients to the clinics for production, DOC cannot rely on the triage line to meet the sick call requirements set forth in the Board's minimum standards. Indeed, the minimum standards require sick call to be available in each facility to all inmates at least five days per week within 24 hours of a request or at the next regularly scheduled sick call, and adequate records regarding sick call requests must be maintained collectively on a form to be developed by the Department—the format of which is at the discretion of the Department. The Department has failed to comply with 40 RCNY § 3-02(c)(5)<sup>8</sup> by not maintaining adequate daily records on a form developed by the Department reflecting the people in custody who make requests to access sick-call (including requests made directly to correctional personnel), arrive in the clinic for sick-call, and are seen by health care personnel once in the clinic. Adequate and accurate tracking of individuals who make requests to access sick-call services in the clinic is crucial to assessing the effectiveness of these services and identifying areas of improvement to ensure people in custody have timely access to health care.

#### **Tablets**

Electronic devices, or tablets, were introduced to the Young Adult population by DOC in January 2016 to incentivize positive behavior by rewarding young adults access to music and games, and other useful utilities on the devices. . Over the next few years, the tablet program expanded and subsequently, the Department entered into a new agreement with Securus Technologies<sup>9</sup>, which became the exclusive contractor for tablet services at that time. Tablets were distributed to people in custody to reduce idleness by offering entertainment options such as games and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> https://www.nyc.gov/assets/boc/downloads/pdf/2024-Board-of-Correction-Report-Utilization-of-Sick-Call-in-NYC-Jails-v23AUG2024.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> § 3-02 Access to Health Care Services. (c) Sick-Call.

<sup>(1)</sup> Sick-call shall be available at each facility to all inmates at a minimum of five days per week within 24 hours of a request or at the next regularly scheduled sick-call. Sick-call need not be held on City holidays or weekends. Facilities with capacities of over 100 people, must provide sick-call services on-site in medical treatment areas. (As defined in 40 RCNY § 3-06(b)).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> § 3-02 Access to Health Care Services. (c) Sick-Call. (5) Adequate records shall be maintained daily which are distinguishable by housing area on a form developed by the Department of Correction. These records shall be maintained for at least three (3) years. The form shall include the following:

<sup>(</sup>i) the names and number of inmates requesting sick call;

<sup>(</sup>ii) the names and numbers of inmates arriving in the clinic; and

<sup>(</sup>iii) the names and number of inmates seen by health care personnel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Securus Technology is a technology communication firm serving prisons across the United States.

movies. Over time, they have also become crucial means of communication for legal matters, statutory research, and maintaining family connections.

Additionally, tablets serve as a platform for filing grievances with the Department's Office of Constituent and Grievance Services (OCGS). In May 2024, the Incarcerated "Individuals Statement Form" was added to the tablets for incarcerated individuals to submit complaints. Although these multifunctional devices are intended to reduce idle time, assist with court case preparation, and facilitation communication with families and loved ones, the overall availability of tablets has wavered over the past few years, causing confusion regarding their distribution and eligibility for people in custody. The Department included tablet eligibility information in the revised June 2024 Handbook for Incarcerated Individuals<sup>10</sup>. The information is also available on the Department's website.

Tablets are not required by the Board's minimum standards; however, they serve as a vital connection for people in custody and surrounding communities who offer support and resources to them while incarcerated.

According to the Department, tablet eligibility is primarily determined by time in custody. However, prior incidents of tablet misuse or damage can delay the issuance of a tablet upon return to custody. Tablet privileges are typically revoked if an individual damages their device or engages in misconduct related to tablet use. The most common reason is tablet damage. However, other factors, such as security concerns or violations of tablet policies, can also lead to revocation. In general, reassessments are done for individuals who return to custody and are not immediately eligible due to a previous history of incarceration. Tablet access reassessments are conducted periodically, but the timeframe may vary based on individual circumstances, such as failure to return versus physical damage. In general, eligibility reviews occur approximately every six months.

During the last two quarters of 2024, the Monitoring unit received 105 complaints about tablets. Complaints ranged from needing a device as a new admission person in custody to issues involving defective, misplaced, and destroyed devices. A Directive on the distribution and purpose of tablets is required to fully understand the scope, effectiveness, and policy, and determine the initiative's success. The Board recommends that the Department issue a Directive concerning tablets forthwith.

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<sup>10</sup> https://www.nyc.gov/assets/doc/downloads/pdf/Handbook\_Incarcerated\_Individuals\_English\_V2\_2024.pdf



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#### Pulaski Bridge over Newtown Creek

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## Important Notice

On Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup> and intermittently through Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, the New York City Department of Transportation Division of Bridges will continue conducting maintenance on the Pulaski Bridge over Newtown Creek as per the schedule below. Single lane closures in each direction northbound and southbound (not at the same time) will be necessary on weeknights between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.

At least one lane in each direction will be maintained at all times.



Northbound and Southbound Sigle Lane Closures
September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 24<sup>th</sup>
Monday – Friday
11:00 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.

Traffic will return to its original configuration after work hours.

Maritza Cortaza from the office of Community Affairs is available to provide information about this project at (212) 839-6302 or mcortaza@dot.nyc.gov For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311.



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# Borden Avenue Bridge over Newtown Creek

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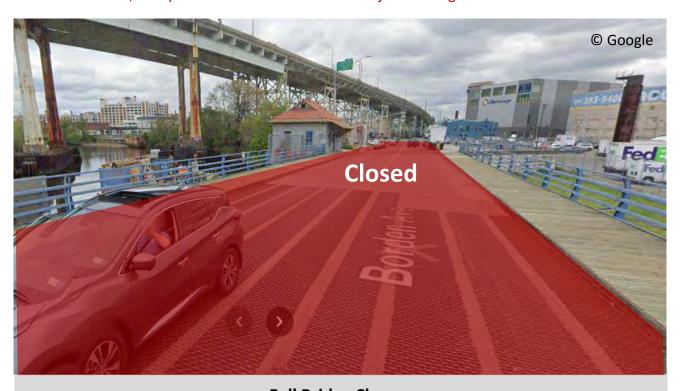
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# Important Notice

On Monday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and intermittently through Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup> the New York City Department of Transportation Division of Bridges will continue repairs on the Borden Avenue Bridge over Newtown Creek. Full bridge closure will be required between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. (early morning). See next page for traffic detour.

All Vehicular, and pedestrian will be diverted to adjacent bridges over the Newtown Creek.



Full Bridge Closure
October 6<sup>th</sup> – October 31<sup>st</sup>

Monday – Friday

11:00 p.m. - 5:00 a.m.

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# **DETOUR**

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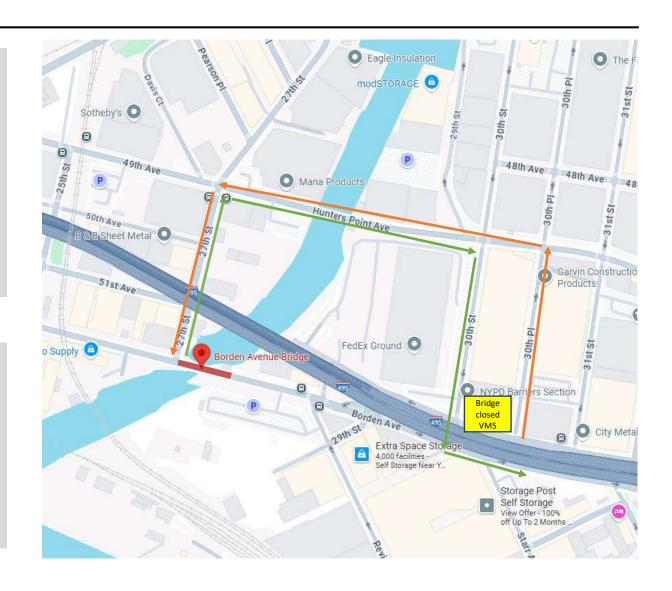
#### **Eastbound**

- From Borden avenue make a left onto 27<sup>th</sup> Street continue Hunters Point Avenue, then turn right onto Hunters Point avenue.
- From Hunters Point Avenue, turn right onto 30<sup>th</sup> Street.
- · Return to Borden Avenue turn left .

#### **FULL CLOSURE**

#### Westbound

- From Borden Avenue, turn right onto 30th Place continue to Hunter Point Avenue.
- turn left onto Hunter's Point Avenue.
- Continue 27<sup>th</sup> Street turn left to return to Borden Avenue.





# Greenpoint Avenue Bridge over Newton Creek

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# Important Notice

On **Monday, October 20**<sup>th</sup> , **and intermittently through November 14**<sup>th</sup> the NYCDOT Division of Bridges will continue conducting repairs on the Greenpoint Avenue Bridge over Newtown Creek. Single lane closure will take place on either eastbound or westbound (not at the same time) **between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.** During repairs, the bike lanes will be open on both directions.

One lane of traffic in each direction will be maintained at all times.



Eastbound and Westbound Lane Closure October 20<sup>th</sup> to November 14<sup>th</sup>

Weeknights

Monday to Friday 11:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

*Traffic will be restored to its original configuration after work hours.* 

Maritza Cortaza from the office of Community Affairs is available to provide information about this project at 212-839-6302 or at <a href="mailto:mccreaza@dot.nyc.gov">mccreaza@dot.nyc.gov</a> For all NYC non-emergency services, including inquiries regarding NYCDOT construction projects, dial 311.

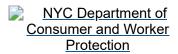


#### DCWP Releases Updated Research Brief: 238,900 Households in NYC Are Unbanked

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# DCWP Releases Updated Research Brief: 238,900 Households in NYC Are Unbanked

**NEW YORK**, **NY –** NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) Commissioner Vilda Vera Mayuga today released a <u>brief</u> identifying the number of unbanked households in New York City. The research brief, which is updated biennially, describes geographic and demographic characteristics of the city's unbanked population, spotlighting systemic barriers to banking access. While 66,800 households have become banked since 2021, an estimated 238,900 NYC households (7.0%) have no bank account in 2023, higher than the national average of 4.2%.

"The good news is that — under our administration — more and more families in New York City have signed up for a bank account to save money, accrue interest, and manage their finances. The even better news is that the Adams administration is launching new initiatives to make sure that every family has that opportunity and drive the percentages of unbanked households down even further," said **New York City Mayor Eric Adams**. "From our NYC Financial Empowerment Centers that offer free counseling to our Financial Literacy for Youth program to teach every young person how to save and spend money, we are helping every New Yorker manage their finances and creating a more affordable city for all."

"While it's promising to see the number of unbanked households trending downwards, New York City still has too many families relying on high-cost alternative financial services, like check cashers, non-bank money orders, prepaid cards, and pawn shops," said **DCWP Commissioner Vilda Vera Mayuga**. "If you lack access to a bank account, I urge you to open a safe and affordable account today. Make a FREE appointment at an NYC Financial Empowerment Center today—our counselors can help find the right account for you."

#### **Data Highlights**:

- In NYC, 7.0%, or 238,900 households, have no bank account (unbanked).
- NYC households remain more likely than households nationally to be unbanked: 7.0% versus 4.2%.

- Both the NYC and national unbanked rates declined compared to 2021 rates.
- Despite some improvements, Bronx households still have a greater unbanked rate (13.5%) than households in all other boroughs.
- Across NYC in 2023, more than half (55.4%) of all adult residents reported using online banking.
   During the pandemic, about 10 in 33 adult residents reported using mobile banking services. In 2023, the proportion grew to 10 in 21 adult residents.
- For every pawnshop in the Bronx, there are about 1.7 bank or credit union branches, compared to 6.8 in Brooklyn, 7.4 in Manhattan, 7.6 in Queens, and 11.7 in Staten Island.

Map of New York City: 238,900 NYC Households are Unbanked

The report is an update to DCWP's <u>2021 unbanked brief</u> and uses data from a 2023 national survey, the most recent data available.

DCWP partners with several banks and credit unions to offer the <a href="NYC SafeStart Account">NYC SafeStart Account</a>, a safe and affordable starter savings account for New Yorkers. NYC SafeStart accounts offer an ATM card for withdrawals and feature no overdraft fees or monthly fees as long as the minimum balance of \$25 is met. Many of the participating banks and credit unions also accept IDNYC as a primary form of identification to open an account.

Counselors at the NYC Financial Empowerment Centers can also help New Yorkers understand their banking options and find the account that best meets their needs. The Centers provide free, one-on-one professional financial counseling to help New Yorkers manage their money, establish, or improve their credit, set up a spending plan, open a safe and affordable bank account, contact their lenders about debt, develop a strategy to reduce debt or lower payments, and more. Since 2008, NYC Financial Empowerment Centers have helped tens of thousands of New Yorkers improve their credit, reduce their debt by more than \$127 million, and increase their savings by more than \$14 million through free one-on-one financial counseling services. New Yorkers can book a free and confidential appointment with a professional financial counselor by visiting <a href="https://nx.gov/TalkMoney">nyc.gov/TalkMoney</a> or calling 311 and saying "Financial Counseling." Services are available in person or by phone and in multiple languages.

The NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) protects and enhances the daily economic lives of New Yorkers to create thriving communities. DCWP licenses nearly 45,000 businesses in more than 40 industries and enforces key consumer protection and workplace laws that apply to countless more. By supporting businesses through equitable enforcement and access to resources, DCWP protects the marketplace from predatory practices and strives to create a culture of compliance. DCWP empowers consumers and working families by providing the tools and resources they need to achieve financial health and work-life balance. DCWP also conducts research and advocates for public policy that furthers its work to support New York City's communities. For more information about DCWP and its work, call 311 or visit DCWP at nyc.gov/dcwp, sign up for its newsletter, or follow on its social media sites, X, Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube.



# FOUR-YEAR PLAN SUMMARY

Covering April 1, 2024-March 31, 2028
for
The Older Americans Act (OAA)
The New York State Community Services for the Elderly (CSE) Program
The Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP)

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# New York City Department for the Aging 2025 Public Hearings on the Four-Year Plan

NYC Aging invites you to attend one of our Public Hearings on the 2024-2028 Four-Year Plan.

To register, email:

#### testimony@aging.nyc.gov

If you are unable to attend one of the hearings, please feel free to submit written testimony or comments via email (above) or mail to:

NYC Department for the Aging c/o Charise Lawrence 2 Lafayette Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, New York 10007

All comments must be received by November 4, 2025

We look forward to seeing you or hearing from you!

#### Queens

Date: October 9, 2025 Time: 10am-12pm Place: Sunnyside OAC

Address, 43-31 39th St, Sunnyside,

11104

#### **Manhattan**

**Date: October 16, 2025** 

Time: 10am-12pm

Place: Gaylord White OAC Address 2029 Second Avenue

New York, NY 10029

#### **Bronx**

Date: October 22, 2025

Time: 10am-12pm

**Place:** Bronxworks Morris OAC **Address** 80 E 181<sup>st</sup> St, Bronx, NY

10453

## Staten Island

**Date: October 23, 2025** 

Time: 10am-12pm Place: JCC Bernikow

**Address**: 1466 Manor Road Staten Island, NY 10314

## Brooklyn

Date: October 28, 2025

Time: 10am-12pm

Place: St. Charles Jubilee OAC Address: 55 Pierrepont St,

Brooklyn, NY 11201

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#### Introduction

The Older Americans Act (OAA), Section 306(a)(6)(D), requires that all Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs) develop an Area Plan that describes their goals, objectives, action steps, and budget, and submit it to the New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA). The Area Plan covers a four-year period and is revised and updated annually to reflect changing needs and progress toward goals.

This document is a summary of NYC Aging's 2024-28 Four Year Plan covering April 1, 2024-March 31, 2028.

NYC Aging's Plan emphasizes innovation, equity, community engagement, and evidence-based practices, while maintaining flexibility to adapt to changing fiscal landscapes and emerging community needs.

Key components of this report include:

- Demographics
- Strategic Goals
- Needs Assessment
- Public Hearings and Older Adult Advisory Council
- Program Initiatives
- Budget and Funding Allocation

## **Agency Mission and Background**

The New York City Department for the Aging (NYC Aging or the Department) is the lead Mayoral agency addressing public policy and service issues for older New Yorkers. It is also the largest agency in the federal network of Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) in

NYC Aging's mission is to work to eliminate ageism and ensure the dignity and quality of life of New York City's diverse older adults, and for the support of their caregivers through service, advocacy, and education.

the United States. NYC Aging promotes, administers, and coordinates the development and provision of vital community services that help older New Yorkers aged 60+ within the five boroughs of New York City stay healthy and independent, and serves as an advocate on legislative and policy issues.

NYC Aging collaborates with community-based organizations for the provision of programs and services, which aim to foster independence, safety, wellness, community participation and quality-of-life. The Department's areas of focus, at present, include caregiving, workforce development, food provision, and intergenerational initiatives.

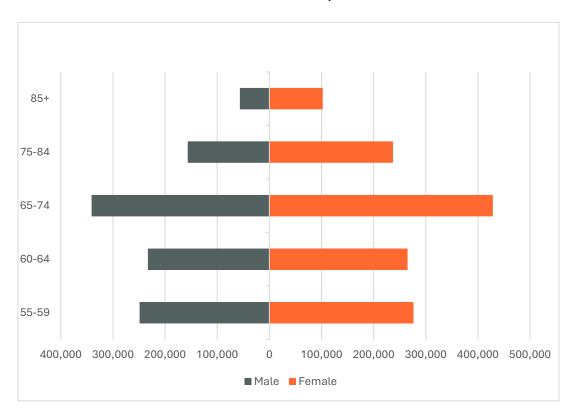
## **Demographic Profile of Older New Yorkers**

The demographic data below are based on 2010 Census, the American Community Survey (ACS) 2019-2023 5 Year Estimates PUMS Custom Data Tables with Group Quarters Population Removed, and population projections through 2040.

The City's total older population is approximately 1.82 million in 2023, a 28.2% increase from the 2010 Census.<sup>1</sup>

The Age and Gender Pyramid that follows shows a profile of New York City's 2023 older adult and 'soon to be' older adult population.

**Figure 1.** Age and Sex Pyramid for New York City Older Adult and 'Soon To Be' Older Adult Population<sup>2</sup>



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> American Community Survey (ACS) 2019-2023 5 Year Estimates PUMS Custom Data Tables with Group Quarters Population Removed, <u>US Census Bureau 2010 Census Summary File 1</u>.

<sup>2</sup> American Community Survey (ACS) 2019 -

<sup>2023 5</sup> Year Estimates PUMS Custom Data Tables with Group Quarters Population Removed.

## **Life Expectancy and Gender Distribution**

New York City's life expectancy at birth in 2022 is 81.5 years.<sup>3</sup> Life expectancy disparities exist across gender and ethnicity and racial groups.

- Women: 84.4 years
- Men: 78.4 years
- Asian and Pacific Islander population: 86.0 years
- Hispanic/Latino population 82.3 years
- Non-Hispanic/Latino White population: 82.1 years
- Non-Hispanic/Latino Black population had an average life expectancy of 76.9 years.<sup>4</sup>

As of 2023, women continue to outnumber men by approximately 246,332 within the 60+ age group.<sup>5</sup> Among those 85 and older, the number of women is almost double that of men.<sup>6</sup>

## **Racial and Ethnic Diversity**

In 2023, 62.5% of older New Yorkers belonged to ethnic and/or racial groups other than White non-Hispanic alone, up from 56% in 2010.<sup>7</sup> Between 2010 and 2023, the Black non-Hispanic alone population increased by 19.9%, the Hispanic population by 30.4%, and the Asian non-Hispanic alone population by 44.4%.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Li W, Castro A, Gurung S, Maduro G, Sun Y, Seil K, and Van Wye G. Summary of Vital Statistics, 2022. New York, NY: Bureau of Vital Statistics, New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> American Community Survey (ACS) 2019-2023 5 Year Estimates PUMS Custom Data Tables with Group Quarters Population Removed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Ibid.

Table A. Mutually Exclusive Race/Ethnic Composition 60+ Population<sup>9</sup>

Race/Ethnicity	2010	2023	% Change
	Census	ACS	2010-2023
White Non-Hispanic alone	638,671	681,910	+6.3%
Black Non-Hispanic alone	307,275	383,559	+19.9%
Hispanic	289,194	415,274	+30.4%
Asian Non-Hispanic alone	147,902	265,981	+44.4%

# **Language and Communication**

Older New Yorkers are linguistically diverse. Close to half of older New Yorkers speak a language other than English at home, and of those, 32.6% are limited English speakers.

**Table B.** Top Languages Spoken at Home Amongst the 60+ Population in New York City, 2023<sup>10</sup>

Language Spoken at Home	Percentage of Older New Yorkers (%)
English	51.9
Spanish	20.7
Chinese (e.g., Cantonese, Mandarin, and Min Nan)	7.8
Russian	3.8
Haitian Creole	1.8
Italian	1.7
Bengali	1.1
Korean	0.9
French	0.9
Polish	0.8

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Ibid.

#### **Economic Status**

The percentage of older New Yorkers below 100% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) is nearly twice that of older Americans in general (17.9% vs 11.7% respectively.) Even when the poverty threshold is increased to 200% of the FPL, the disparity remains. 35.5% of older New Yorkers report being below 200% of the FPL, compared to 28.3% of the general older American population. The 2023 FPL was \$15,850 for a one-person household under 65 and \$14,610 if that individual is over 65.

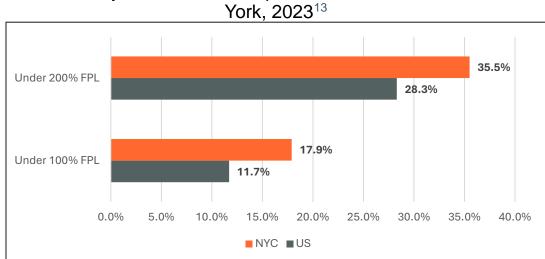


Figure 2. Poverty Levels of 60+ Population in the United States and New York 2023<sup>13</sup>

There are also disparities between racial/ethnic groups for older adults living below 100% of the FPL. A higher proportion of racial/ethnic groups other than the white Non-Hispanic alone population live in poverty.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Poverty Thresholds for 2023 by Size of Family and Number of Children, US Census Bureau.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> American Community Survey (ACS) 2019-2023 5 Year Estimates PUMS Custom Data Tables with Group Quarters Population Removed.

Table C: Poverty by Mutually Exclusive Race/Ethnicity for Older New Yorkers, 2023<sup>14</sup>

Race	Total Older Cohort	Number Below Poverty Level	% Below 100% FPL
White Non-Hispanic alone	681,910	78,410	11.5%
Black Non-Hispanic alone	383,559	70,432	18.4%
Asian Non-Hispanic alone	265,981	56,977	21.4%
Hispanic alone	415,274	108,039	26.0%

In 2023, the median household income for older New Yorkers was \$56,000.15 Median income also varies by race.

- For White Non-Hispanic alone households, it was \$70,800.
- For Hispanic alone households, it was \$38,500, or 45.6% less than for the White Non-Hispanic alone population;
- For Black Non-Hispanic alone households, it was \$51,000 or 28.0% less than for the White Non-Hispanic alone population; and
- For Asian Non-Hispanic alone households, it was \$60,000, 15.3% less than for the White Non-Hispanic alone population.<sup>16</sup>

In 2023, 37.3% of older adult households consisted of individuals living alone.<sup>17</sup> These single-person older adult households also face substantial economic disparities, with a median income of just \$24,000, compared to \$81,000 for older adult households with multiple members. <sup>18</sup>

## **Functional Capacity and Mobility**

In 2023, 30.0% of older New Yorkers, reported living with some level of disability. Of this group:

 22.5% had serious difficulties that substantially limit activity of walking or climbing stairs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Ibid.

<sup>15</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> Ibid.

- 15.5% had mental, physical, or emotional conditions that restricted their ability to live independently, such as visiting a doctor's office or shopping.
- 8.4% had mental, physical, or emotional conditions causing serious difficulties in concentrating, remembering, or making decisions.
- 9.1% were limited in their ability to perform self-care activities of dressing and bathing.
- 7.3% reported hearing difficulty.
- 6.0% reported vision difficulty.<sup>19</sup>

About one-third (32.9%) of older females are living with some disability and over a quarter (25.3%) of older males are living with some disability. As a result of this difference, as well as the larger population of older females as compared to males, females make up almost two-thirds (62.1%) of all disabled older adults.

Hispanic (36.4%) and black non-Hispanic alone (32.0%) older adults are more likely to be living with some disability compared to their non-Hispanic and black counterparts. Disability is also associated with poverty: over a quarter of older adults living with disabilities are also living under 100% of FPL (27.1%).<sup>20</sup>

## **Employment**

The proportion of older New Yorkers in the workforce continues to increase. In 2023, more than one in four older New Yorkers (28.8%) are employed.<sup>21</sup> Various factors could affect whether this trend continues in the upcoming years, including the aging of the baby boomer generation, changing makeup of the job/labor markets, and US economic structural conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> Ibid.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Ibid.

## **Four-Year Plan Strategic Goals**

Through the interconnected goals below, NYC Aging aims to create a more age-friendly, inclusive, and supportive environment that enables older adults to age with dignity, independence, and quality of life while receiving comprehensive support for themselves and their caregivers.

While NYC Aging is committed to all efforts and programming outlined in this report, priorities may shift as needed if funding is reduced or eliminated.

# Goal #1. Further the vision of the Older Americans Act to cultivate innovative approaches reflective of local needs and preferences.

- Implement participatory planning through survey and community engagement
- Incorporate cultural preferences in service models, including multilingual and intergenerational programming
- Use data to identify service gaps and innovation opportunities
- Expand digital tools and address the digital divide
- Collaborate across various sectors (housing, transportation, healthcare, academia, and technology)

Goal #2. Enable older New Yorkers to remain in their own homes with high quality of life for as long as possible through the provision of home and community-based services, including supports for family caregivers.

- Increase homebound older adults receiving case management.
- Increase home delivered meal clients through case management intakes.
- Expand awareness and access to Caregiver Services.

Goal # 3. Create an age-friendly New York where home and community-based services are available and accessible to those who most need them, when they need them.

- Utilize the Cabinet for Older New Yorkers and Age-friendly NYC Commission to advance age-inclusive policies.
- Increase anti-ageism education through interagency collaboration

# Goal #4. Ensure the rights of older New Yorkers and prevent their abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

- Strengthen elder abuse awareness and prevention programming citywide
- Provide Person-Centered Trauma-Informed (PCTI) training to 300 staff
- Expand mental health services for victims of elder abuse.

# Goal #5. Empower older New Yorkers to stay active and healthy through Older Americans Act services and those offered under Medicare.

- HIICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Program): Increased enrollment in Medicare programs, 10% increase in people served, and new sites in underserved communities in Staten Island, and increased multilingual services
- Health Promotion: Expand adaptive exercise classes, wellness workshops, health screening, enhance virtual programming; and extend service hours.

Goal #6: Integrate COVID-19 lessons and adaptations into standard practice while preparing the aging network, and those served by the network, to successfully respond and adapt to future emergencies and disasters.

- Collaborate with collaborate with New York City Emergency Management (NYCEM) on emergency response plan design and implementation.
- Identify people at risk older adults before emergencies.
- Improve preparedness pre-packed emergency supplies.

# Goal #7: Promote equitable access to older adults in greatest social and economic need throughout all programs and services administered.

- Identify and prioritize services for older adults with greatest social and economic need
- Design and deliver culturally and linguistically responsive services
- Build internal and provider capacity for addressing structural barriers and provide equitable services
- · Strengthen community outreach and engagement

# Goal # 8: Support continuation and growth of state and local policy, programs, and investments that compliment and expand upon Older Americans Act programs.

- Align local and state strategies with OAA priorities
- Advocate for increased funding for aging services
- Scale innovative programs that address local needs
- Strengthen intergovernmental and cross-sector collaboration
- Measure, monitor, and communicate impact

# Goal # 9: Family caregivers will be recognized, assisted, included, supported, and engaged through a variety of programs so that they can care for their care receiver at home for as long as possible.

- Raise awareness of caregiver needs and self-identification
- Engage caregivers before crisis of significant life events of care receivers
- Improve service delivery based on behavioral insights

Goal # 10: The AAA will ensure that its legal assistance provider is providing legal assistance in the following priority subject areas: Income, health care, long-term care, nutrition, housing, utilities, protective services, defending older adults against guardianship, abuse, neglect, exploitation, and age discrimination.

- Expand provider network through new contractors and/or subcontractors.
- Increase funding for the legal assistance program that responds appropriately to the needs of the growing older adult population in New York City and increased costs of doing business.
- Broaden geographic and service area coverage.
- Strengthen network capability of addressing complex legal needs.

Goal # 11: AAA will offer person-centered nutrition programs (inclusive of healthy balanced meals and nutrition education and counseling) which are responsive to the needs and preferences of older adults in the Planning and Service Area as well as reflective of the diversity within the Planning and Service Area.

- Provide person-centered nutrition programs including cultural meals, interactive and engaging nutrition education workshops, and nutrition counseling service.
- Enhance meal satisfaction and cultural relevance.
- Increase nutrition knowledge and healthy eating practices.
- Improve engagement through interactive educational programming.
- Integrate with health promotion efforts.

#### **Needs Assessment**

NYC Aging uses a mix of quantitative and qualitative methods to collect data to help identify and prioritize need of clients currently served by our programs. These include analysis of changing demographic patterns, needs assessment surveys, examining client and contractor unit data to identify trends in participation rates, satisfaction/impact studies (utilizing random sample surveys, focus groups, and structured interviews of clients and provider staff) to gain insight regarding successful program elements, health and behavioral impact, and ways that programs can be improved.

NYC Aging conducted a comprehensive Service Needs Assessment (SNA) from May through September 2024, generating 8,600 responses from diverse communities across all five boroughs. The primary goals of the

SNA were: to better understand the diverse service needs of older adults and their caregivers, to identify service gaps, and to assist with program development and policy recommendations. The assessment revealed three primary need areas:

- Financial and food Insecurity
- Affordable and Accessible Housing
- Social Isolation and Mental Health Support

The SNA also revealed a unique burden on younger caregivers (those younger than 60 years old) as they often balance jobs, childcare, and elder care. Results indicate that despite being much more likely to be employed full-time, younger caregivers regularly engage in more caregiving activities and spend more time on their caregiving duties than caregivers over 60 years old. Additionally, approximately 40% of older adult caregivers indicated that they are also care receivers, meaning that they are receiving assistance with certain day-to-day tasks while also providing care to somebody else.

The full needs assessment report can be found on the NYC Aging website by using this link: The State of Older New Yorkers: Building An Age-Inclusive Future.

## **Public Hearings and Older Adult Advisory Council**

NYC Aging engages in ongoing dialogue with various community partners and in various forums:

- NYC Aging's Older Adult Advisory Council is mandated by the OAA, Section 306(a)(6)(D), New York State, and the New York City Charter to advise NYC Aging and its Commissioner on matters related to the development, administration, and operations of its area plan. The Council includes representatives from the social services, health, and academic communities, as well as from among aging services consumers. The members are appointed by the mayor for three-year terms, and all serve without compensation.
- Annual Plan Summary Public Hearings. The Department for the Aging conducts public hearings annually, one in each borough.

These hearings provide an opportunity for older persons, service providers and advocates to identify priority needs, recommend ways to enhance services, and suggest an agenda for legislative advocacy to NYC Aging and its Older Adult Advisory Council. This input helps NYC Aging prepare its plan for upcoming fiscal years and enhance its long-term efforts on behalf of the City's elderly.

The primary needs and concerns expressed by constituents during the 2024 public hearings align closely with the findings of the Service Needs Assessment (see page 14), including around economic security, housing, transportation, social isolation, and digital divide. Safe and affordable housing remains a persistent and major challenge for older New Yorkers. Feedback from the hearings also highlighted pedestrian safety concerns, focused on sidewalk use by e-bikes, scooters, and other motorized vehicles, and a perceived lack of traffic enforcement which creates hazards for older adults.

On a positive note, clients expressed strong appreciation for Older Adult Centers, and praised food quality, classes and workshops, as well as the quality of the Older Adult Centers' (OAC) staff. They also expressed appreciation for the social benefits they derive from attending OACs, as well as for the caregiver programs.

Other Public Forums and Stakeholder Sessions. In addition to the Annual Plan Summary hearings, NYC Aging participates in public forums and Borough Budget Consultations, which encourage service providers, community leaders and the public to share their views and recommendations on aging services. Stakeholder sessions include forums to offer input into the design of solicitations and programs, as well as discussions with providers, elected officials, Interagency Councils, community boards, Borough President cabinets and older New Yorkers.

# **Programs and Initiatives**

NYC Aging provides community-based and supportive services, both directly and through approximately 400 direct services contracts, to meet

the evolving and diverse needs of older New Yorkers and their caregivers. Programs embrace differences in age, color, disability, ethnicity, marital status, gender identity or expression, language, national origin, race, religion, sexual orientation, socio-economic and veteran status.

The Department's key programs and initiatives are overseen by two programmatic areas – the Bureau of Community Services (BCS), and the Bureau of Social Services (BSS).

# **The Bureau of Community Services**

The Bureau of Community Services (BCS) provides community-based programs and services that help older adults remain active in their communities.

BCS comprises the following units and programs:

- Older Adult Centers (OAC). OACs provide congregate meals and an environment where older adults can participate in a variety of recreational, health promotional and cultural activities, as well as receive information and assistance with benefits and entitlement programs.
- Home Delivered Meals (HDM). NYC Aging has contracts throughout the city with community-based providers who are tasked with delivering nutritious home delivered meals to older adults throughout the city. To be eligible, residents or their dependents must be age 60 or older, considered homebound, or they or their dependents have a disability.
- Healthy Aging Initiatives. The Aging Wellness Unit coordinates and supports health and wellness programs including: chronic disease management and prevention; falls prevention; exercise programming; health education programs and activities; health and wellness events; and evidence-based and health promotion programming resources and information for NYC Aging's network providers.

The Aging Wellness Unit is also recipient of the SHINE/SNAP Ed Grant, an initiative through the NYS Office for Temporary and Disability Assistance under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance

(SNAP) of the US Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services (USDA). The goal of this program is to increase the number of low-income older adults that receive nutrition education to promote healthier lifestyles and behaviors by providing evidenced based nutrition education, obesity prevention and activities to help older adults improve their health and maintain their quality of life.

- The Nutrition Management Unit is composed of nutrition experts who ensure that congregate meal and home-delivered meals meet city, state, and federal sanitation and dietary guidelines. They also provide extensive technical assistance on meal planning, recipe development, food safety, and City Agency Food Standards.
- Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Services (NORC) Unit. The NORC unit oversees the Naturally Occurring Retirement Community Supportive Service Programs (NORC SSPs), which provide case management, assistance with entitlements and benefits, assistance with health care management, wellness activities, and other social and educational programs.
- Transportation Services. The Department provides transportation for older adults through contracted providers to transport older New Yorkers who have no access to, or cannot use public transportation to essential medical, social services and recreational appointments.
- Minor Home Repair. The Minor Home Repair Program helps low to moderate income older adults with repairs for relatively minor home issues such as weatherization, installation of locks, window gates and other security features, faucet repair and installation, minor cementing, plastering, and patching, as well as installation of grab bars.

## **The Bureau of Social Services**

The Bureau of Social Services (BSS) provides various programs and services that help older adults remain active in their homes and/or communities. Programs in BSS fall into three categories – Supportive Services, Workforce and Community Development, and Elder Justice.

## **Supportive Services**

- Caregiver Services. NYC Aging contracted caregiver programs support caregivers by providing information on long term care topics and resources; assisting with accessing benefits and entitlements; offering individual counseling, support groups and care-related training; linking caregivers with in-home, congregate, and overnight respite care; and offering supplemental support services.
- Case Management. Case management services help older persons with functional impairments gain access to appropriate services, benefits and entitlements needed to age safely at home and maintain their quality of life. Case Management is the gatekeeper for NYC Aging funded in-home services such as home delivered meals, home care, and friendly visiting.
- Friendly Visiting. The Friendly Visiting program matches homebound older adults with dedicated volunteers who commit to making weekly home visits to the older adults in their own homes. Volunteers visit in person, as well as on the phone and virtually.
- Home Care. The Home Care program is designed for low-income adults 60 years of age and older who have unmet needs in activities of daily living, but do not qualify for Medicaid or other ongoing insurance-funded home care. The goal of this program is to maintain older adults safely at home and prevent or delay the placement of frail elderly individuals into more expensive Medicaid-funded nursing homes. The program aims to ensure that clients start receiving home care services within five days of authorization for the service.
- Mental Health Initiatives. NYC Aging oversees contracted mental health programs and six grant funded programs.
  - The Geriatric Mental Health Program (GMH) embeds and colocates mental health clinicians in community-based older adult centers. There, mental health clinicians provide engagement activities and programs, conduct mental health assessments, consultation to staff, and provide mental health treatment.
  - Hub and Spoke. The Hub and Spoke initiative is similar to GMH in that mental health clinicians are embedded at older

adult centers where the clinicians provide clinical services at the main site (Hub sites) with the addition of providing only engagement activities/programs and assessments at older adult centers (Spoke sites) within the same communities where the main clinical site is located.

- PROTECT and Clinical Services for Homebound Oder Adults (PACS-HB). PACS-HB is an evidenced-based program for victims of elder abuse referred from NYC Aging-funded Elder Abuse programs. PACS-HB also provides in-home clinical counseling for clients from NYC Aging Case Management Programs.
- Jewish Federation of North America (JFNA) Grant: NYC Aging has a grant for a Person-Centered Trauma Informed (PCTI) Initiative through which Greenwich House will provide PCTI mental health intervention to clients who are a victim of a crime and to Holocaust survivors. This grant will also provide training on PCTI principles for up to 300 NYC Aging and community provider staff.
- Social Adult Day Services. Social Adult Day is a supervised program for cognitively impaired and/or physically frail older adults, with program components designed to reduce isolation and maximize individual capabilities through socialization, structured activities, and nutritious meals. These services, combined with transportation and access to case managers, provide respite to caregivers of these participants.
- Social Adult Day Care (SADC) Ombuds Office. In response to widespread community concern about the proliferation of underregulated social adult day programs, NYC Aging was designated as the SADC Ombuds Office through Local Law 9 of 2015. NYC Aging's SADC Ombuds Office is charged with registering all social adult day programs operating in New York City and receives and responds to SADC-related complaints or inquiries. Local Law 9 of 2015 authorizes the Office to issue civil penalties for violations of the NYS Office for the Aging's Social Adult Day regulations.

• Missing Persons. NYC Aging works with the NYPD's Silver Alert Notification System, which locates individuals over 60 years with a diagnosed cognitive impairment and who have been reported missing and are deemed to be in imminent danger. Caregiving support services are offered to caregivers of older adults reported missing to help with care planning to ensure the safety of the older adult in the community.

#### **Workforce and Community Development**

- The Foster Grandparent Program ("FGP") is an AmeriCorps funded older adult volunteer program that provided social and emotional support, as well as tutoring in reading and math, to children and youth with special and exceptional needs. Approximately 300 Foster Grandparent volunteers serve throughout the five boroughs.
- The Senior Employment Unit operates the Title V Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP), for adults 55 and older, providing job search skills workshops, career advisement, job fairs, customized employer recruitment for specific occupations, as well as computer technology and customer service training. SCSEP participants or Community Service Aides complete community assignments in nonprofit or government agencies to gain skills and training, while earning the minimum wage for approximately 20 hours per week. In addition to community assignment placements, SCSEP provides ongoing support to the participants upon finding employment.
- Silver Stars. Silver Stars offers City agencies the opportunity to fill business needs with experienced retired City employees. The program also offers an opportunity for City employees to phase into retirement by allowing them to supplement their income and maintain a productive, social, and vibrant lifestyle without the demands of traditional full-time employment.

#### Office of Elder Justice

- Elderly Crime Victims Resource Center ("ECVRC"). The Elderly Crime Victims Resource Center provides crisis intervention, counseling, advocacy, information and assistance, assistance submitting claims to New York State Office of Victim Services for compensation, and legal services referrals.
- Elder Justice Community Providers. The Elder Justice Community contracted provide support to older adults who are experiencing maltreatment (physical, sexual, financial, psychological, and/or active or passive neglect) by someone who has a "trusting" relationship with the older adult (e.g. a spouse, a sibling, a child, a friend, a caregiver, etc.). In addition to direct services, providers conduct community-based presentations and trainings on elder abuse prevention and intervention to support capacity building and awareness.
- Tenancy and Eviction Support Services ("TESS"). Tenancy and Eviction Support Services program provides social service, case assistance and other support services to adults 60 years and older who are at risk of being evicted from their homes. The program receives referrals from New York City Housing Court judges and their representatives.

# **Other Programs and Initiatives**

#### Office of General Counsel

The Office of General Counsel ("OGC") provides a range of services to the agency's administrative and programmatic units, including but not limited to: providing legal advice; drafting legal documents; reviewing contracts; providing support and guidance to the Social Adult Day Care Ombuds Office regarding investigations and notices of violations related to rules compliance; and responding to FOIL requests.

OGC also manages the **Legal Services portfolio**, a program that contracts with community-based legal service organizations to provide free legal services for older adults aged 60 and older in all five boroughs in a

variety of areas, including public benefits, long-term care, and consumer and landlord-tenant issues.

#### **Government Affairs**

The Government Affairs Unit serves as the agency's primary liaison to elected officials, community boards, aging services providers, and advocates in order to promote NYC Aging's mission and priorities. The Unit prepares NYC Aging's city, state, and federal legislative agenda, and represents the Commissioner at public hearings, high level meetings and community events. The Government Affairs Unit also analyzes pending legislation and keeps the agency abreast of any relevant legislative developments.

#### **Press & Public Information**

The Press and Public Information Unit (PPI) promotes the agency's services and resources in the community through media and public outreach. The unit oversees internal and external communications. This includes managing press inquiries, NYC Aging's public-facing website, social media channels, the creation and distribution of marketing materials, and media campaigns. In addition, the Unit organizes the agency's press events and helps prepare senior leadership and NYC Aging staff for public speaking engagements and events.

## **Aging Connect**

Aging Connect, part of the Bureau of External Affairs, is a public-facing unit that manages various programs, including the Aging Connect contact center, agency correspondence, volunteer opportunities, Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Assistance Program (HIICAP), NY Connects, and the annual Farmers Market Nutrition Program. Aging Connect also collaborates with the Mayor's Office of Correspondence and 311 to enhance data sharing and maintain citywide response times.

 Contact Center is a comprehensive call center connecting older adults, aging-service professionals, and caregivers to age-inclusive information, resources, and opportunities. Aging Specialists assist callers in over 200 languages and are available Monday through Friday, 8:30AM–5:30PM as well as by email at agingconnect@aging.nyc.gov.

- Health Insurance Information Counseling and Assistance Program (HIICAP) helps older New Yorkers understand the health care coverage options currently available in New York City. HIICAP conducts public outreach presentations and workshops on Medicare, Medicaid, Medigap, Elderly Pharmaceutical Insurance Coverage (EPIC), and Medicare's preventive services. New York State certified HIICAP counselors provide assistance with Medicare Part D prescription plan selection, Medicare Savings Programs. HIICAP also oversees seven community-based sites located across all five boroughs that offer direct assistance. HIICAP's annual publication, "A Closer Look at Medicare and Related Benefits for New Yorkers," is available in print and online.
- NY Connects is a statewide system that provides person centered counseling, public education and outreach, and information and assistance to individuals of all ages in need of long-term services and supports. NY Connects is committed to leading with diverse, equitable, and inclusive practices at the forefront of our service delivery. This is achieved through continuously assessing community resources, building strong relationships with community partners to enhance service delivery, and engaging in professional development activities that improve staff awareness and their ability to effectively and respectfully interact with the communities we serve.
- Volunteer Program is an intergenerational program that offers
  meaningful volunteer opportunities that benefit older New Yorkers to
  those aged 18 and above. The Program continually works to diversify
  opportunities and increase older adult participants among its cohort of
  volunteers, and to develop and expand its network of private sector
  partners.
- Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) is an annual fresh produce benefits program for income-eligible older adults who are aged 60 and above. The FMNP is sponsored by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, New York State Department of Health, New York State Office for the Aging, and Cornell Cooperative Extension.

More information on NYC Aging's programs and services can be found at: <a href="https://www.nyc.gov/site/dfta/services/find-help.page">https://www.nyc.gov/site/dfta/services/find-help.page</a>

## **Projected Resources and Expenditures**

NYC Aging receives funding from multiple sources to provide services to older adults throughout the city. The Department's budget for Fiscal Year 2026 is projected to be approximately \$605 million.

Much of NYC Aging's funding comes from state and federal grants. These grants often come with a requirement for the City to "match" a portion of the grant funds. A significant amount of New York City's tax levy funds is dedicated towards meeting these matching requirements. The table below reflects planned support for the Department's services.

Most services are delivered by local community-based organizations that receive contracts from the Department. The Department also provides several services directly, including older adult employment assistance, the Elderly Crime Victims Resource Center (ECVRC) and the Foster Grandparent Program. This approach allows the agency to reach older adults across the city, while leveraging the expertise of local organizations the understand their communities' specific needs.

Table D reflects planned support for each of the Department's contracted services, and Table E list the agency's revenue sources.

Table D: Fiscal Year 2026 Planned Support by Community Based Service

July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

FISCAL YEAR 2026 PLANNED BUDGET			
ACCESS SERVICES		\$ 94,318,594	
Case Management	\$51,798,201		
Transportation/Escort	\$6,163,267		
Information & Referral/Outreach	\$36,357,126		
NUTRITION SERVICES		\$257,002,299	
Congregate Meals	\$ 177,418,290		
Home Delivered Meals	\$ 78,424,806		
Nutrition Education	\$1,045,536		
Shopping Assistance/Chore	\$113,667		
IN-HOME & CARE SERVICES		\$43,698,300	
Home Care	\$40,537,939		
Friendly Visiting	\$1,832,389		
Telephone Reassurance	\$1,327,972		
LEGAL ASSISTANCE		\$1,622,356	
EMPLOYMENT BELATER SERVICES		<b>40.570.440</b>	
EMPLOYMENT RELATED SERVICES	<b>\$4.000.000</b>	\$8,570,410	
Senior Employment	\$4,968,229		
Silver Corp	\$1,736,757		
Foster Grandparent Program	\$1,865,424		
OTHER SOCIAL/HEALTH PROMOTION SERVICES		\$154,112,392	
Education/Recreation	\$112,381,057	Ψ1 <del>34</del> ,112,332	
Elder Abuse	\$ 4,984,978		
Health Promotion/Screening	\$10,702,282		
Caregiver	\$ 9,307,207		
NORCS	\$16,265,058		
Residential Repair	\$ 471,811		
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DISCRETIONARY		\$46,150,354	
TOTAL		\$605,474,705	

Table E: Projected Fiscal Year 2026 Budget by Revenue Source

REVENUE SOURCE	BUD	GET AMOUNT
STATE GRANTS		
CRIME VICTIMS PROGRAM	\$	303,353.00
FOSTER GRANDPARENTS	\$	18,443.00
COMMUNITY SVCS FOR THE ELDERLY	\$	10,072,924.00
SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE	\$	10,509,762.00
EXPANDED IN-HOME SERVICE	\$	18,546,806.00
EXPANDED IN-HOMES SERVICES (EISEP) UNMET NEEDS	\$	4,014,270.00
CONGREGATE SERVICES INITIATIVE	\$	152,288.00
AAA TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM	\$	395,804.00
NY CONNECTS EXPANSION AND ENHANCE-BIP	\$	3,652,258.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$	47,665,908.00
FEDERAL GRANTS		
TITLE III, PART C-1: NUTRITION SERVICES	\$	25,843,234.00
TITLE III, PART C-2: NUTRITION SERVICES	\$	10,270,814.00
FOSTER GRANDPARENTS GRANT	\$	1,698,359.00
NEW YORK STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	\$	750,121.00
TITLE V NCOA EMPLOYMENT GRANT	\$	1,388,734.00
TITLE V SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM	\$	3,579,495.00
NUTRITION SERVICES INCENTIVE PROGRAM	\$	10,272,714.00
TITLE XX SOCIAL SERVICE BLOCK	\$	9,035,364.00
HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION COUNSELING	\$	599,568.00
TITLE III-D HEALTH PROMOTION	\$	667,026.00
TITLE III-E CAREGIVER SUPPORT	\$	3,514,168.00
MEDICARE IMPROVEMENTS (MIPPA)	\$	452,940.00
TITLE V SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM	\$	343,500.00
ACL CAFE STYLE DINING/CONGREGATE	\$	543,444.00
HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR CARE	\$	150,000.00
FY25 HUD COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT	\$	601,958.00
Other Grants	\$	4,110,397.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$	73,821,836.00
OTHER GRANTS	¢	25 000 00
OMH - SAMUEL FIELD YM & YMHA	\$	35,000.00
OMH - JAMAICA HOSPITAL MEDICAL	\$	50,000.00
OMH - STRIVE COMMUNITY	\$	50,000.00
OMH - OHEL CHILDREN'S HOME AND	\$	50,000.00
NEXT 50 ANTI-AGEISM	\$	160,227.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$	345,227.00

#### 2024 - 2028 FOUR-YEAR PLAN SUMMARY

INTRA-CITY		
RESERVE IC	\$	165,251.00
OTHER SERVICES/FEES	\$	350,000.00
ENERGY TRAINING - DCAS	\$	138,000.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$	653,251.00
Total Grants	\$	122,486,222.00
CITY TAX LEVY PER BUDGET UNIT (PER OMB)	\$	482,988,483.00
TOTAL FISCAL YEAR 2026 REVENUE	\$	605,474,705.00

Current as of September 2025



# ALERT: Here's to Your Health Newsletter Alert: Federal Shutdown and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Benefits

From Patrick, Shauna

Date Wed 10/1/2025 9:51 AM

To Patrick, Shauna

The **Office of Citywide Health Insurance Access** (OCHIA) is committed to ensuring that you are kept aware of matters that may impact the communities you serve.

Below is an important communication from the NYC Department of Social Services', Office of Community Outreach about the federal government shutdown and **SNAP** benefits.

September 29, 2025

Dear Community Partner,

The current Federal Appropriations and Spending Act authorizes funding for Federal government operations through September 30, 2025. If no new funding legislation is passed and signed into law authorizing continued spending by midnight on October 1, 2025, the federal government will effectively shut down. In the event that this happens, we are sharing the below information regarding SNAP benefits.

Current clients will continue to receive benefits uninterrupted through the end of October:

We have received guidance from the State OTDA that the USDA Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) has advised states that a Federal government shutdown will not immediately impact SNAP benefits in New York State. SNAP households will continue to receive SNAP benefits on a normal schedule through the end of October 2025.

SNAP offices will remain open and new applications will be accepted:

The local SNAP offices operated by the New York City Department of Social Services will remain open. New applications will continue to be accepted online through <u>ACCESS HRA</u> and at <u>SNAP</u> centers during a shutdown.

#### EBT cards will continue to work normally:

Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards will continue to work normally, and you can be used at any <u>participating retailer</u> or farmers market. SNAP benefits are available on EBT cards for 274 days from the date they are issued. To check the available benefits on a SNAP account, clients can visit the state OTDA website at <u>ebtEDGE.com</u> or by calling **1-888-328-6399**.

#### Clients need to continue to comply with all SNAP related guidance/requirements:

SNAP compliance requirements will remain in place during a potential shutdown, and clients are still required to comply with recertification deadlines, complete periodic reports, report changes and respond to requests for information from DSS.

#### Summer EBT benefits are not impacted:

Summer EBT benefits will also continue to remain available for 122 days from the date of issuance. For more information visit: <u>Summer EBT.</u>

If a shutdown continues beyond October, there has been no federal guidance on the potential impact on SNAP benefits. We will continue to keep you updated on future updates as soon as they become available.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership, and for all that you do every day to help New Yorkers in need.

Sincerely,

Office of Community Outreach

NYC Department of Social Services



#### Changes to the SNAP Standard Utility Allowance (SUA) Policy for Households in Receipt of HEAP

From NYC Department of Social ServicesDate Tue 10/14/2025 2:40 PMTo BK01 (CB) <br/>bk01@cb.nyc.gov>

View in browser



October 14, 2025

Dear Community Partner,

It has been longstanding federal SNAP policy that households in receipt of a qualifying Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) payment are required to be provided with the Heating and Cooling Standard Utility Allowance (HCSUA) without needing to prove their utility costs.

However, due to the new federal law under HR1, the receipt of a qualifying LIHEAP payment will only grant presumptive HCSUA eligibility to households that have an aged and/or disabled member. All other households must establish that they have a separate heating or cooling utility expense in order to be determined eligible for HCSUA. **This new policy will be implemented as of November 1, 2025, for all new and pending applications.** Households ineligible for HCSUA due to these changes, may instead be entitled to the Utility SUA if they have a separate expense for a non-heating/cooling utility. These expenses include (but are not limited to): electricity (including air

conditioning/cooling costs), cooking fuel, sewage, trash collection, water fees, fuel for heating hot water, and rental fee for a propane tank. Existing SNAP households will be assessed at recertification or if the household reports a case change on the periodic report or other time during their eligibility period.

For example: Jane Doe is a single mother with two children. No one in the household is elderly or has a disability. Her rent is \$1000 per month and her gross earned income is \$2000 per month. She receives SNAP and LIHEAP. Because she receives both benefits, she has in the past qualified for the HCSUA. This means her household of 3 gets \$590 in monthly SNAP benefits. However, the next time Ms. Doe recertifies her benefits, she will need to demonstrate her utility costs (including non-heating utility costs). Depending on the utility costs she can prove, her benefits will change and could go down by as much as \$116.

Please inform clients that moving forward, they may need to verify separate utility expenses at recertification or when reporting certain changes on a periodic report. This verifying documentation could include an electricity bill along with the client's attestation that a portion of that bill is used to pay for cooling/air conditioning.

Newly eligible SNAP households living in a HEAP-eligible housing arrangement may receive a \$21 nominal HEAP benefit. However, only households containing an aged or disabled member will be eligible to receive the full HCSUA based on this factor alone.

For more information, you can read the full policy <u>here</u>.

Thank you for your ongoing partnership, and for all that you do every day to help New Yorkers in need.

Sincerely,

Office of Community Outreach
NYC Department of Social Services

# FY25 The NYC Department of Sanitation Zero Waste Report



### **The NYC Department of Sanitation FY2025 Zero Waste Report**

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#### **Report Summary**

The NYC Department of Sanitation (DSNY) is pleased to submit its FY2025 Zero Waste Report which provides an overview of our waste diversion targets, performance programs, and recommendations. This plan fulfills the reporting requirements of Local Laws 85, 86, 87, 88, and 89 of 2023.

#### **Definitions**

Containerized Waste: Material collected by DSNY from large, dedicated containers, excluding Empire Bins and residential wheelie bins.

Curbside & Containerized Capture Rate: The percent of recyclable and compostable material recovered through curbside and containerized recycling and organics collections, relative to the total amount of those materials in all curbside and containerized collections.

Contamination: Any material in recycling or organics collections that is not designated for that stream.

Curbside & Containerized Diversion Rate: The percentage of all material collected by DSNY through curbside and containerized services that is diverted from disposal.

DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate: The percentage of material diverted from disposal through DSNY's curbside and containerized programs, DSNY-operated non-curbside programs, and diversion tonnages within NYC voluntarily reported to DSNY.

Material-Specific Capture Rate: The percentage of a divertible material type that is not designated for curbside or containerized recycling or organics collections, but is instead successfully diverted from disposal through DSNY or non-DSNY operators within NYC. This is expressed as a percentage of the total amount of that material generated.

Refuse: Waste collected by DSNY that is not recyclable or compostable.

Waste Stream: A designated material type or group used by DSNY to collect solid waste. In NYC, waste streams include refuse, metal/glass/plastic, paper, and organics, each collected and measured separately.

#### **Annual Diversion and Capture Rates**

#### **Diversion Rates**

DSNY publishes two diversion rates per Local Law 40 of 2010: the Curbside and Containerized Diversion Rate and the DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate.

The **Curbside and Containerized Diversion Rate** includes metal, glass, plastic (MGP), paper, and food and yard waste diverted from disposal through DSNY's curbside and containerized recycling and organics services, which collect from households, schools, institutions, and city agencies. This diversion rate is based on DSNY-collected tonnages only and does not account for contamination removed later in processing. The formula used to calculate this rate is as follows:

**Curbside & Containerized Diversion Rate** = (Tonnage **diverted** via curbside and containerized recycling and organics collections) / (Tonnage of **all** DSNY curbside and containerized collections)

The DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate includes recyclables and organics counted in the curbside and containerized rate along with materials diverted through DSNY-operated non-curbside programs and diversion tonnages within NYC that are voluntarily reported to DSNY. The DSNY-managed diversion rate does not account for contamination removed during processing.

Materials in the DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate include:

- Curbside and containerized recycling and organics collected by DSNY
- Food waste collected at Rikers Island.
- Private landscaper leaf and yard waste received at the DSNY Staten Island Compost Facility.
- Harmful products and electronics collected at DSNY SAFE Events and Special Waste Drop-Off Sites, as well as those generated by City agencies.
- Harmful products and electronics collected in NYC and voluntarily reported to DSNY.
- Redeemed bottles and cans collected in NYC and voluntarily reported to DSNY.
- Donated clothing and textiles as part of DSNY's Textile Recycling Program.
- Donated clothing and textiles collected in NYC and voluntarily reported to DSNY.
- Food waste and yard waste collected by city-funded food-scrap drop-off sites.
- Yard waste and other organic material collected by City agencies.
- Food waste donated in NYC and voluntarily reported to DSNY.
- Other used material donations in NYC voluntarily reported to DSNY.
- Batteries collected in NYC and voluntarily reported to DSNY.
- Other miscellaneous materials collected by DSNY (such as hardcover books from NYC schools).

The formula used to calculate the DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate is as follows:

DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate = (Curbside and containerized diversion tonnage + DSNY-operated diversion program tonnage + Diversion tonnage within NYC voluntarily reported to DSNY) / (Curbside and containerized collection tonnage + DSNY-operated diversion program tonnage + Diversion tonnage within NYC voluntarily reported to DSNY).

The table below outlines both diversion rates:

	Curbside & Containerized Diversion Rate	DSNY-Managed Diversion Rate*
FY24	17.5%	20.6%
FY25	18.5%	21.8%

<sup>\*</sup>Some data used to calculate the DSNY-managed diversion rate are provided by partners and vendors from which DSNY does not directly collect material. These quantities are provided annually. Additional unreported collections may exist within NYC.

#### **Capture Rates**

A **curbside and containerized capture rate** is the percentage of a material diverted from disposal relative to the total amount of that material across all waste streams. It indicates how much of a material is collected in its designated recycling or organics stream compared to the total quantity present across all waste streams.

To calculate a capture rate, a waste characterization study is required to measure the quantity of divertible materials across all waste streams. For FY25, Curbside and Containerized Capture Rates are calculated using data from DSNY's most recent waste characterization study (2023) and actual FY25 curbside and containerized collection data. These capture rates reflect DSNY-collected tonnages only and do not account for contamination.

The formula to calculate the curbside and containerized capture rate by waste stream is as follows:

Curbside and Containerized Capture Rate = (Curbside and Containerized recycling or organics tonnage) / (Calculated tonnages of recyclables or organics across all waste streams)

Fiscal Year	MGP Capture Rate	Paper Capture Rate	Organics Capture Rate
FY24	48.8%	53.4%	4.2%
FY25	48.7%	53.2%	7.2%

#### **Material-Specific Capture Rates**

DSNY offers several programs for divertible materials that are not collected by DSNY from the curb. These include: textiles, Household Hazardous Waste, and Electronics. Material-Specific Capture Rates measure the percentage of a material type diverted from disposal relative to the total quantity managed by or reported to DSNY. Like other diversion metrics, Material-Specific Capture Rates do not account for contamination.

DSNY does not and cannot track tonnages of individual material types that are collected curbside on an ongoing basis. Thus, total curbside tonnages of the below material groups are calculated using data from DSNY's most recent waste characterization study (2023) and actual FY25 curbside and containerized collection data.

To find a Material-Specific Capture Rate, the following formula is used:

Material-Specific Capture Rate = (Tonnage diverted through DSNY-operated non-curbside programs + diversion tonnage within NYC voluntarily reported to DSNY)/(Calculated material-specific tonnage across all waste streams + Tonnage diverted through DSNY-operated non-curbside programs + Diversion tonnage within NYC voluntarily reported to DSNY)

There is additional divertible material recycled or disposed of that is not reported to DSNY. Non-curbside tonnages are sometimes handled by third-party entities who voluntarily provide their collections to DSNY. Additional unreported collections may exist within NYC. This could mean the capture rate is understated.

#### Hazardous Household Waste (HHW)

The Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) capture rate includes tonnage from: SAFE Events, Special Waste Drop-Off Sites, Agency Safe Handling, Residual Motor Oil from used Filters, Antifreeze, Lead Acid Battery Cores, CFC removals, and HHW diverted in NYC that is voluntarily reported to DSNY.

FY25 Hazardous Household Waste	Tons
HHW in Curbside and Containerized Collections*	15,755
HHW Diverted through DSNY-operated programs	704
HHW Diverted in NYC and reported to DSNY	252
Total HHW Diverted	956
Total HHW collected and diverted	16,711
FY25 HHW Capture Rate	5.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Based on 2023 Waste Characterization Study Data

#### Textiles

The textile capture rate includes collections from the DSNY Textile Recycling Program and textiles diverted in NYC that are voluntarily reported to DSNY.

FY25 Textiles	Tons	
Textiles in Curbside and Containerized Collections*	178,648	
Textiles Diverted through DSNY-operated programs	1,938	
Textiles Diverted in NYC and reported to DSNY	6,089	
Total Textiles Diverted	8,027	
Total Textiles collected and diverted	186,675	
FY25 Textile Capture Rate	4.3%	

<sup>\*</sup>Based on 2023 Waste Characterization Study Data

#### **Electronics**

The electronics capture rate includes collections from SAFE Events, Special Waste Drop-Off Sites, community recycling events, ecycleNYC garage collections, Agency Safe Handling, and electronics diverted in NYC that are voluntarily reported to DSNY.

FY25 E-Waste	Tons	
E-Waste in Curbside and Containerized Collections*	18,878	
E-Waste Diverted through DSNY-operated programs	1,486	
E-Waste Diverted in NYC and reported to DSNY	6,584	
Total E-Waste Diverted	8,070	
Total E-Waste collected and diverted	26,948	
FY25 E-Waste Capture Rate	29.9%	

<sup>\*</sup>Based on 2023 Waste Characterization Study Data

#### **DSNY Diversion Targets**

To develop both the diversion and disposal targets below, DSNY utilized the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation's Population and Municipal Solid Waste Composition Calculator (MSW Calculator). The waste projections below are based on this DEC model. The MSW Calculator uses population changes and historic waste generation and composition data to project waste generation and diversion. In addition to providing tonnages for the MSW calculator, DSNY further modified the model to use local data and refine built-in assumptions. The two major modifications were:

1) Population projections: DSNY modified the default population information in the MSW Calculator with projections from the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council's (NYMTC) 2055 Socioeconomic and Demographic (SED) Forecasts. NYMTC, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the region, provides demographic projections used by the Department of City Planning and other City agencies to guide service and infrastructure planning. Using NYMTC data and the MSW Calculator's methodology, DSNY projected waste generation according to average population growth.

#### **Population Projections**

County / Borough	2020	2025	2030	2040
Bronx	1,454,816	1,515,667	1,548,245	1,595,881
Kings (Brooklyn)	2,647,112	2,760,391	2,820,822	2,894,388
New York (Manhattan)	1,668,548	1,698,050	1,735,482	1,768,412
Queens	2,349,324	2,418,636	2,463,405	2,500,457
Richmond (Staten Island)	484,897	491,202	495,047	502,327
New York City Total	8,604,697	8,883,946	9,063,001	9,261,465

Source: New York Metropolitan Transportation Council (NYMTC), 2055 Socioeconomic and Demographic (SED) Forecasts.

 Composition data: DSNY modified the default waste stream compositions used in the MSW Calculator by applying results from the 2023 DSNY Waste Characterization Study, providing greater accuracy than the calculator's defaults.

To forecast future MSW generation, DSNY selected an annual reduction of 0.5% in the MSW calculator as a result of successfully implementing the initiatives described in this report and DSNY's broader Solid Waste Management Plan. In addition to the waste reduction modeled using the NYS DEC MSW calculator, anticipated increases in diversion are calculated for each material type.

	2026	2030
MSW Generated	3,843,033	3,847,916
MSW Diverted	791,195	946,546
% Diverted	20.6%	24.6%

For materials with well-established diversion programs, like MGP and paper, the projections are based on the assumption that the proposed initiatives would slightly increase the diversion rate and that the rate of increase in the diversion rate from year to year would remain steady. On the other hand, for materials for which diversion programs are still developing or relatively new (e.g., organics), the projections are based on variable increases in the diversion rate. Initially, as new or developing programs "ramp up", a higher rate of diversion increase is used. Over time, as increasing number of residents participate in new diversion opportunities, it becomes more challenging to further increase participation and compliance, and the modeled diversion rate increases in later years are therefore lower. This approach and the diversion rate increases used in the MSW Calculator for the various materials managed by DSNY are summarized in the table below.

#### **Annual Diversion Rate Increase by Material**

Material	Diversion Rate Increase	Time Period
Paper	0.25%	2025 – 2036
Metals, Glass, Plastics (MGP)	0.25%	2025 – 2036
Organics*	30%	2025 – 2026
	25%	2026 - 2027
	20%	2027 - 2028
	18%	2028 – 2029
	16%	2029 - 2030
	14%	2030 - 2031
	12%	2031 – 2032
	10%	2032 - 2033
	9%	2033 - 2034
	8%	2034 - 2035
	7%	2035 - 2036

<sup>\*</sup> In the early years of the program, increases are anticipated to remain high before gradually decreasing as the program becomes more established. As the annual growth rate decreases, the diversion rate increases.

#### FY2025 Curbside and Containerized Diversion Rates by District

The table below includes curbside and containerized tonnages for each stream collected by DSNY, disaggregated by DSNY District. Organics, MGP, and Paper are considered tons diverted, while Refuse is considered tons disposed.

FY25

Boro	District	<b>Organics Tons</b>	MGP Tons	Paper Tons	Refuse Tons	Diversion %
Manhattan	MN01	133.1	2,761.9	4,171.6	18,239.0	27.9%
	MN02	671.6	3,199.2	4,774.6	25,256.9	25.2%
	MN03	829.0	3,943.2	5,175.7	70,049.5	12.4%
	MN04	641.3	3,912.5	7,591.9	39,499.6	23.3%
	MN05	128.8	1,913.6	3,185.3	20,078.5	20.7%
	MN06	394.6	4,265.6	8,526.7	37,827.3	25.8%
	MN07	2,114.2	7,944.6	11,192.0	53,129.1	28.6%
	MN08	834.5	8,209.7	11,951.1	62,752.1	24.9%
	MN09	1,153.0	2,725.8	2,966.9	27,009.9	20.1%
	MN10	236.4	3,051.2	3,152.9	72,161.6	8.2%
	MN11	932.5	2,085.3	2,745.9	29,432.8	16.2%
	MN12	899.1	5,395.3	4,980.9	57,083.6	16.5%
	Total	8,968.0	49,407.8	70,415.5	512,519.7	20.0%
Bronx	BX01	1,003.9	1,640.6	2,898.2	39,409.0	12.3%
	BX02	125.1	2,401.3	2,570.0	94,047.4	5.1%
	BX03	1,027.8	1,782.2	1,781.9	26,602.4	14.7%
	BX04	740.4	3,647.6	3,015.3	48,547.0	13.2%
	BX05	825.7	3,729.2	2,642.2	41,383.5	14.8%
	BX06	567.7	2,175.0	2,339.1	38,571.0	11.6%
	BX07	625.0	5,002.4	3,492.7	45,522.4	16.7%
	BX08	961.9	4,014.8	3,415.3	27,992.7	23.1%
	BX09	561.3	4,321.7	2,645.5	45,871.7	14.1%
	BX10	1,461.9	3,913.7	3,410.4	31,192.0	22.0%
	BX11	1,693.0	3,729.7	3,314.1	37,833.2	18.8%
	BX12	1,494.6	6,550.9	3,584.3	46,831.2	19.9%
	Total	11,087.9	42,909.1	35,108.9	523,803.6	14.5%

Boro	District	<b>Organics Tons</b>	MGP Tons	Paper Tons	Refuse Tons	Diversion %
Brooklyn	BKN01	1,190.0	5,077.3	8,415.4	68,528.2	17.6%
	BKN02	1,747.2	4,537.1	6,429.8	33,375.6	27.6%
	BKN03	2,229.7	3,849.8	5,073.6	52,395.4	17.3%
	BKN04	1,535.8	4,147.4	4,216.2	52,664.3	15.8%
	BKN05	723.6	5,189.3	2,854.7	57,481.3	13.2%
	BKN08	1,570.3	3,151.8	3,760.9	69,753.7	10.5%
	BKN09	571.8	2,903.4	3,125.8	35,299.0	15.8%
	BKN16	336.9	1,832.4	1,362.3	35,425.4	9.1%
	BKN17	1,585.1	5,046.1	3,578.5	53,605.3	16.0%
	BKS06	1,983.9	4,273.4	6,031.3	25,914.0	32.2%
	BKS07	1,728.5	4,160.2	4,837.7	39,639.9	21.3%
	BKS10	2,312.1	5,036.7	5,084.4	43,885.7	22.1%
	BKS11	1,945.1	6,189.4	6,216.3	94,666.3	13.1%
	BKS12	746.1	3,907.8	7,826.5	81,757.1	13.2%
	BKS13	1,418.3	2,630.8	3,210.6	31,962.9	18.5%
	BKS14	1,077.8	4,787.9	5,156.9	56,943.6	16.2%
	BKS15	2,554.1	5,808.1	6,001.5	54,287.8	20.9%
	BKS18	1,616.6	7,222.9	6,091.5	63,341.0	19.1%
	Total	26,872.9	79,751.8	89,274.0	950,926.5	17.0%
Queens	QE07	3,411.2	8,980.1	8,821.1	78,595.4	21.3%
	QE07A	30.0	454.0	1,219.5	41,264.4	3.9%
	QE07B	0.0	N/A	2,475.2	24,848.3	9.1%
	QE08	1,624.5	4,494.6	4,904.0	43,486.1	20.2%
	QE10	1,958.1	6,161.6	4,048.6	43,012.4	22.1%
	QE11	2,880.5	4,881.1	4,887.0	32,988.1	27.7%
	QE12	4,323.7	10,654.2	5,675.3	81,148.2	20.3%
	QE13	2,583.3	9,658.7	5,326.4	61,322.2	22.3%
	QE14	871.5	2,939.1	3,347.5	42,806.9	14.3%
	QW01	3,829.7	7,132.2	7,605.4	47,791.6	27.6%
	QW02	2,881.1	4,991.7	6,632.0	46,418.7	23.8%
	QW03	920.3	6,047.8	4,110.5	57,062.9	16.3%
	QW04	764.4	5,785.4	3,881.5	49,538.8	17.4%
	QW05	3,269.3	7,785.9	7,076.8	54,625.0	24.9%
	QW06	1,235.3	4,301.1	4,335.3	31,819.1	23.7%
	QW09	2,876.5	6,022.1	5,202.7	47,351.8	22.9%
	Total	33,459.3	90,289.7	79,548.9	784,080.0	20.6%
Staten Island	SI01	2,893.8	7,578.1	7,438.9	64,473.7	21.7%
	SI02	3,040.1	6,034.3	5,713.9	57,540.0	20.3%
	SI03	3,901.3	7,667.7	7,954.2	64,872.7	23.1%
	Total	9,835.2	21,280.1	21,107.1	186,886.4	21.8%
TOTAL		90,223.3	283,638.5	295,454.3	2,958,216.1	18.5%

#### **Increasing Diversion Rates by Material**

#### **Organics**

FY25 marked a milestone year for organics diversion in NYC, as DSNY expanded its Curbside Composting program citywide. Beginning October 2024, participation became mandatory for all New York City residents. With nearly 3.4 million households receiving weekly collection, the program stands as the largest organics recovery program in the country.

DSNY remains committed to increasing participation and making it easy for residents to separate food scraps and yard waste. Outreach campaigns, multilingual education, and community partnerships provide residents with the tools and information they need to participate. To reinforce compliance, DSNY focused on warnings and direct engagement with homeowners and building managers. DSNY has issued over 63,000 warnings since the rollout of citywide service and intends to continue to perform outreach to help New Yorkers comply. To further increase convenience, DSNY continues to maintain Smart Composting Bins across all five boroughs, available free of charge, 24/7, through a mobile app.

#### Metal/Glass/Plastic

DSNY contracts with Sims Municipal Recycling (SMR) to handle the majority of the City's residential metal, glass, and plastic recycling. SMR's Sunset Park Material Recovery Facility (MRF) allows NYC to collect more types of plastic for recycling compared with programs in many other US cities. The MRF also has a Recycling Education Center where students can learn about the recycling process.

#### **Paper**

DSNY contracts with Pratt Industries to manage the majority of the City's residential paper recycling. Pratt's location on Staten Island allows paper collected from New Yorkers to be recycled locally and remanufactured into new products such as pizza boxes – supporting a circular economy within the city.

#### **Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics**

DSNY provides a range of convenient programs to ensure New Yorkers can safely recycle electronics and dispose of harmful household products. These efforts keep toxic materials out of the waste stream, protect sanitation workers, and ensure compliance with state and federal regulations.

In FY25, DSNY's electronics recycling programs continued to grow. More than 19,100 buildings were enrolled in ecycleNYC, DSNY's in-building electronics recycling program. Since its launch in 2013, ecycleNYC has collected almost 11,900 tons of e-waste, including 694 tons in FY25 alone. DSNY contracts with ERI, an e-Stewards and R2/RIOS certified recycler, to guarantee that all collected materials are handled responsibly and not landfilled or exported illegally. In addition, DSNY launched Community Recycling Events in every community district every year, creating new opportunities for residents to recycle electronics close to home.

Hazardous household waste is collected through DSNY's Special Waste Programs, which target harmful products such as solvents, automotive materials, flammables, latex paint, fluorescent bulbs, batteries, and mercury-containing devices. In FY25, DSNY held five SAFE Disposal Events — one in each borough — which drew approximately 17,400 residents and collected approximately 225 tons of electronics and 260 tons of hazardous materials. HHW collections per SAFE event are displayed in the table below:

#### FY25 HHW Collected per DSNY SAFE Event

SAFE Event	Date	Tons of HHW Collected
Manhattan/Union Square	9/22/2024	23.0
Queens/Cunningham Park	9/14/2024	65.4
Bronx/Orchard Beach	10/26/2024	53.9
Staten Island/Midland Beach	10/19/2024	73.2
Brooklyn/Brooklyn Army Terminal	9/29/2024	45.6
Total		261.1

DSNY also continued to operate Special Waste Drop-off Sites in every borough. These facilities collected nearly 290 tons of e-waste in FY25, in addition to over 100 tons of hazardous materials. HHW collections per Special Waste Site are shown in the table below:

#### FY25 HHW Collected per DSNY Special Waste Site

Special Waste SiteAddressStaten Island2 Muldoon Avenue, Staten Island, NY, 10312Bronx2 Farragut Street, Bronx, NY 10474Queens (College Point)12015 31st Ave Flushing, NY 11354		Tons of HHW Collected
Staten Island	2 Muldoon Avenue, Staten Island, NY, 10312	52.4
Bronx	2 Farragut Street, Bronx, NY 10474	7.1
Queens (College Point)	12015 31st Ave Flushing, NY 11354	21.2
Manhattan (Pike Slip)	74 Pike Slip, New York, NY 10002	9.9
Brooklyn (Greenpoint)	459 North Henry Street, Brooklyn, NY, 11222	11.9
Total		102.6

In May 2022, the State of New York implemented the paint product stewardship program, operated by PaintCare. DSNY has worked closely with this paint stewardship program to ensure that New York City households, businesses, and government agencies have convenient drop-off locations for their unwanted paint to be recycled. The program now offers 59 drop-off locations in NYC, with new locations being added. In FY25, the program diverted 252 tons of paint.

#### **Expanding Opportunities for HHW Diversion**

Per Local Law 87 of 2023, DSNY is required to study opportunities to expand the safe collection of household hazardous waste. In FY25, DSNY expanded operations at its Special Waste Drop-off Sites in line with this directive. Previously open only one day per week, these facilities are now open three days per week — Thursday through Saturday — providing residents with greater access and convenience.

#### **Textiles**

DSNY's Textile Recycling Program offers a citywide clothing, shoes, and accessories, "textile" collection service, that is available to residential apartment buildings with 10 or more units and other non-residential buildings such as office buildings, commercial businesses, schools, and institutions. All participating buildings receive a convenient in-building textile collection bin and on-call pickup service. This program is operated through a partnership with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. (NYSID) and Helpsy. Collected textile items are sorted and reused through secondhand retailers or resold for reprocessing to make cleaning rags, seat padding, insulation etc.

Since the program launched in 2011, DSNY has collected over 20,400 tons of textile waste. By the end of FY25, there were almost 2,500 buildings participating in DSNY's Textile Recycling Program and 1,930 tons were collected. In FY25, DSNY collected 2.9 tons from the program's DSNY garage pilot in which DSNY workers are able to recycle their clothing and old uniforms.

Additionally, in compliance with Local Law 88, DSNY now hosts 5 textile drop-off sites for New York City residents to drop-off their unwanted textiles. Since its launch in December 2024, DSNY has collected 5.7 tons of textiles from these additional drop-off sites.

In FY25, 4,369 tons of textile donations in publicly accessible bins were reported to DSNY.

#### **Community Recycling Events**

In FY25, DSNY held 70 community recycling events attended by over 2,800 residents and collected over 33 tons of electronics.

DSNY and its partners provide literature and educate the public on proper disposal, reuse, and recycling of their waste. Below is a summary of event attendance and staffing:

Date	Community Board	Venue	Attendance	FT Staff	PT Staff	Weight (lbs)
8/14/2024	205	I.S. 117	4	8	4	53
8/17/2024	405	The Shops at Atlas Park	35	6	3	1283
8/24/2024	311	New Utrecht Library	6	4	3	352
8/24/2024	315	CAMBA Sheepshead Bay	2	4	3	87
8/30/2024	204	Bridge Builders	63	4	3	73
9/7/2024	103	Luther Gulick Park	22	3	3	129
9/7/2024	103	Chatham Square	36	2	2	1348
9/7/2024	304	DeKalb Library	3	3	3	34
9/7/2024	306	Old Stone House	117	3	3	1874
9/8/2024	309	Franklin Ave & Montgomery St Lot	20	3	3	385
9/14/2024	202	Kelly Street Garden	26	3	3	315
9/14/2024	305	New Lots Library	15	3	3	97
9/14/2024	318	Canarsie Library	24	3	3	107
9/15/2024	101	Washington Market Park	57	2	2	1314
9/18/2024	206	Tremont Library	8	3	3	21
9/19/2024	211	Morris Park Community Association	40	3	3	1883
9/21/2024	104	London Terrace Towers	132	2	3	1889
9/21/2024	203	Jennings Open Street	6	3	2	112
9/21/2024	301	Greenpoint Library	95	3	2	1549
9/21/2024	410	West Hamilton Beach Fire Department	42	3	3	1170
9/21/2024	411	St. Anastasia Church	132	2	2	5400
9/22/2024	110	Morningside Drive	22	2	2	435
9/28/2024	112	Inwood Hill Park	109	3	3	469
9/28/2024	412	Rochdale Village Library	8	3	3	468
9/28/2024	503	Mount Loretto	25	3	2	798
9/29/2024	317	Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church	24	3	3	1296
9/29/2024	402	Culture Lab LIC	43	3	3	886
10/6/2024	301	McGolrick Park	50	3	2	1000
11/2/2024	203	Jennings Open Street	19	3	2	236
11/3/2024	315	Doody Home Center	65	2	2	2538
11/10/2024	312	Borough Park Library	4	2	2	182
11/22/2024	110	Adam Clayton Powell State Office Building	g 6	3	2	448
11/23/2024	304	DeKalb Library	15	3	2	428
11/23/2024	311	New Utrecht Library	33	2	2	1447

Date	Community Board	Venue .	Attendance	FT Staff	PT Staff	Weight (lbs)
12/7/2024	502	College of Staten Island	37	3	3	732
12/8/2024	406	Commonpoint Central Queens	33	3	3	819
2/6/2025	211	Allerton Ave Warehouse	30	3	3	230
3/22/2025	207	P.S. 246	5	0	3	211
4/5/2025	306	Old Stone House	120	0	6	3554
4/10/2025	404	P.S. 143	52	2	2	608
4/16/2025	407	CPC Nan Shan Older Adult Center	10	3	3	1749
4/26/2025	302	City Point Brooklyn	20	3	3	723
4/26/2025	308	Underhill Plaza	101	0	3	1325
4/26/2025	501	Olivet Presbyterian Church	23	2	3	1177
4/29/2025	205	C.S. 163	8	2	3	81
4/30/2025	206	Belmont Open Street	1	2	2	579
5/3/2025	104	London Terrace Towers	89	3	3	1109
5/3/2025	318	Mill Basin Library	45	3	3	1665
5/4/2025	107	Marlene Meyerson Jewish Community Cen	ter 145	3	3	2461
5/4/2025	307	Prospect Park	223	6	2	4231
5/10/2025	401	31st Avenue Open Street	82	3	2	1125
5/13/2025	314	Avenue I & East 15th St	18	2	2	1061
5/17/2025	201	Mitchel Community Center	12	2	3	324
5/18/2025	317	Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church	39	2	2	1217
5/31/2025	208	Jerome Park Library	6	2	2	285
6/7/2025	109	Johnny Hartman Plaza	35	2	2	799
6/7/2025	202	Beck Street Open Street	1	2	1	0
6/7/2025	411	Bayside Library	37	2	1	803
6/8/2025	212	Parkchester Library	30	3	2	224
6/9/2025	112	Office of Council Member Carmen De la Ro	sa 10	2	3	46
6/14/2025	316	Greg Jackson Community Center	14	3	3	769
6/14/2025	403	Jackson Heights Post Office	72	2	3	1745
6/21/2025	303	Marcy Avenue Plaza	60	3	3	1131
6/21/2025	305	New Lots Library	7	2	2	377
6/21/2025	414	Office of Council Member Joann Ariola	40	2	1	1418
6/26/2025	410	Howard Beach Library	27	2	3	1784
6/28/2025	103	House of Good Deeds	21	2	2	301
6/28/2025	313	Brighton Beach Library	15	2	2	949
6/28/2025	402	Culture Lab LIC	73	2	3	748
6/29/2025	210	Sapna	10	2	2	368

#### **Improving Outreach and Education Programs**

In FY25 DSNY completed the citywide roll out of the nation's largest curbside organics collection program, and DSNY's outreach efforts prioritized increasing residential diversion through the new service.

Door-to-door canvassing continued to serve as a key component of the outreach campaign. As the program expanded to the Bronx, Manhattan, and Staten Island, DSNY resumed its effort to canvass all buildings with 1-9 residential units. In FY25, DSNY knocked on over 214,000 doors in those boroughs and spoke to more than 60,000 residents to educate the public about how to use the new service.

In addition to door-to-door canvassing, DSNY staff also participated in over 118 in-person and virtual events to raise awareness and increase participation in the program. These events included virtual information sessions, in-person presentations, community meetings and more. DSNY also utilized the distribution of free materials to encourage participation. DSNY provided leaf bags and kitchen containers for free and greatly increased the amount of compost distributed in FY25 by opening 3 new seasonal compost giveback locations in Brooklyn and Queens. Across the 4 locations and 28 community pop-up events, DSNY distributed over 8,500,000 pounds of compost that was created from material collected in the curbside program.

DSNY also leveraged enforcement as an education tool. While issuing tens of thousands of warnings for not separating their organic material from the trash, DSNY had over 16,000 conversations with tenants, building owners, supers and property managers about how to properly participate. Properties that received 3 warnings also received an additional site visit from DSNY's outreach staff offering free resources, including trainings for building staff and residents.

DSNY is implementing several outreach and education initiatives to increase diversion in residential buildings, NYCHA, commercial establishments and the construction and demolition sector. To increase diversion in residential buildings, DSNY has expanded the Clean Buildings Training Program. The Clean Buildings Training is a series of free courses to help New Yorkers keep buildings clean through best waste management and recycling practices. Topics discussed include DSNY rules and regulations, building waste management best practices, roles and responsibilities of tenants and staff, special waste, composting & recycling, and strategies for pest control. Additionally, we have tailored new trainings for new constituent groups, and offer the following trainings:

Clean Buildings: Residential Maintenance Staff (available in English and Spanish)

· Clean Buildings: NYCHA Staff

· Clean Buildings: NYC Residents

· Clean Buildings: NYC Agency Staff

• Clean Buildings: Clean & Green Schools

#### FY25 Clean Buildings Trainings

Training	# of Trainings	# People Reached
Clean Buildings Training Maintenance	16	80
NYC Agency Staff	5	171
NYC Residents	12	58

#### **Additional Diversion Streams**

#### **NYCHA**

DSNY supports NYCHA's efforts to improve setout of materials and increase waste diversion on its campuses. DSNY continues to provide recycling trainings to caretakers and staff, focusing on getting buildings to properly divert material as part of the jointly-lead "Recycle First" initiative in collaboration with NYCHA. In FY25, DSNY conducted recycling trainings for 46 developments and trained 1,210 NYCHA staff members.

As part of DSNY's Smart Bin program, DSNY continues to manage smart bins located near NYCHA properties to provide NYCHA residents with access to food waste recycling programs. DSNY has also enrolled 44 NYCHA developments in ecycleNYC serving 245 NYCHA buildings.

#### **Schools**

In FY25, DSNY continued to strengthen school recycling and organics programs, building on the completed 2024 expansion of citywide curbside organics collection at all New York City Public Schools (NYCPS). As part of the citywide containerization effort, DSNY continued and expanded the Manhattan Community District 9 (MN09) on-street containerization pilot at 20 schools, up from 18 in FY24. The program introduced the improved Empire Bins, which have further reduced the "mountain" of plastic bags on the curb by consolidating refuse, recyclables and organics into secure containers.

To strengthen recycling education, DSNY delivered 5 Clean & Green Schools trainings, reaching 217 school staff and custodians. In parallel, DSNY partnered with NYCPS to reengage schools that were enrolled in organics collection prior to the 2022-2023 school year, ensuring they are equipped and supported to fully participate in the expanded program.

For the first time, DSNY also launched a school-specific Compost Giveback initiative, allowing schools to directly benefit from the organics they divert, reinforcing the connection between proper sorting, collection, processing and reuse.

Through technical assistance, training and educational material, DSNY continues to support schools in recycling and organics participation as part of the city's broader waste reduction goals.

#### **City Agency Diversion**

Pursuant to Local Law 36 of 2010 city agencies are required to submit plans to DSNY to increase waste reduction and recycling in all city-owned and city-managed buildings, and to prepare annual updates each year. To aid with compliance and support proper waste management practices, DSNY has expanded and revamped its Clean Buildings Training Program that is provided to all NYC Agencies.

DSNY also works with Mayoral agencies to provide guidance in proper handling of fluorescent bulbs, ballasts, batteries, mercury-containing items, and electronics through its Agency Safe Handling Program. In FY25, 224 tons of e-waste and 126 tons of hazardous waste were collected through the program.

#### Commercial

Commercial waste is collected by private carters. DSNY currently sets rules and, along with the Business Integrity Commission (BIC), provides oversight of the management and performance of commercial carters. To improve the diversion rates, DSNY requires mandatory recycling by all of the City's commercial establishments, has instituted expanded rules that focus on organic waste diversion and is in the process of implementing the Commercial Waste Zone program, which incentivizes the collection of recycling and compostable waste through targeted price reductions. Those programs are detailed here.

#### Commercial Diversion: Focus on Organics

In July of 2022, the commercial organics rules were fully implemented as the warning period had ended. The list of "covered generators" that are now required to separate their organic waste for diversion includes:

- Arena or stadiums having a seating capacity of 15,000 or more persons.
- Food service establishments having 7,000 or more square feet.
- Chain food service establishments of 2 or more NYC locations with a combined floor area of 8,000 square feet or more.
- Food service establishments in hotels having 100 or more guest rooms.
- Food service establishments with a combined floor area of 8,000 square feet or more in the same building or location.
- Retail food stores having at least 10,000 square feet.
- Chain retail food stores of 3 or more NYC locations w/combined floor area of 10,000 square feet or more.
- Food preparation locations having 6,000 square feet or more.
- Catering establishments hosting on-site events to be attended by more than 100 people.
- Temporary public events to be attended by more than 500 people.
- Food manufacturer that has a floor area of 25,000 square feet or more.
- Food wholesaler that has a floor area of 20,000 square feet or more.

There remains a substantial universe of commercial establishments not required to source separate their organics. The NYC Department of Sanitation supports amending Local Law 146 of 2013 to give the Department authority to require source separation at all commercial establishments, in line with the progress made in residential diversion.

Further, DSNY staff hosts off-site and virtual group trainings; provides sample signs, labels, and electronic copies of notices in multiple languages; produces the DSNY Business Rules and Regulations Guidebook; and hosts workshops with the NYC Department of Small Business Services, Chambers of Commerce, Business Improvements Districts, and other organizations to educate businesses on commercial waste management in all five boroughs. These updated trainings focus on the importance of source separation, especially of organic wastes, and provided tools and strategies to businesses.

#### Commercial Waste Zones: Incentivize Collection of Recycling and Organics

Local Law 199 of 2019 established the Commercial Waste Zone (CWZ) program. In addition to the multitude of benefits related to reduced truck traffic and improved labor standards, the Commercial Waste Zone program has incentivized recycling and the collection of organics. The initial of 20 zones, Queens Central, become the first Commercial Waste zone to be fully implemented into the program on January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025. The remainder of the 20 zones are tentatively scheduled to be fully implemented by the end of 2028.

All carters who provide commercial waste services under the Commercial Waste Zones program will be required to provide recycling and organics collection in addition to trash collection as standard services. Carters cannot opt out of providing these services to all customers and cannot refuse to collect these waste streams from any customer. To promote increases in recycling and organics separation, the rate that businesses will pay for recycling is projected to be 32% less and the rate for organics is projected to be 18% less than the rates for trash on average, with the opportunity for establishments to negotiate even deeper discounts. This creates a meaningful financial incentive for businesses to properly separate their waste.

In addition, greater enforcement tools through contractual mechanisms and in-field enforcement will give DSNY the ability to ensure carters are abiding by these new rules.

#### **Construction & Demolition Debris**

In September of 2022, Mayor Adams signed Executive Order 23 which requires covered City agencies to develop strategies to lower embodied carbon in NYC capital construction projects. Each covered agency submitted action plans to MOCEJ in October 2023 to outline their implementation timeline and goals, which were incorporated into a Joint Agency Action Plan (JAAP). In addition to strategies outlined in EO23, which included low-carbon concrete, environmental product declarations, and low emission vehicles and equipment, the joint agency action plan highlighted the need to incorporate circular economy principles into the plans.

In FY25 MOCEJ, in coordination with a task force of city agency representatives, developed guidelines and an operational toolkit to address waste management and circularity through direct and indirect reuse of construction and demolition materials (CDM). EO23's CDM guidance, launching in FY26, draws on agency's waste management plans required to achieve LEED certification, NYCEDC's Circular Design and Construction Guidelines, and existing tools such as DSNY's material reuse platform, the donateNYC Exchange.

#### **Public Litter Baskets**

While DSNY maintains approximately 21,000 litter baskets citywide, they represent less than 3% of all DSNY curbside and containerized waste. As part of the 2023 Waste Characterization Study, DSNY studied the composition of litter baskets for the first time in almost 20 years and found a lower proportion of recyclables and a higher proportion of nonrecyclables in the waste stream. In addition, DSNY has released a newly designed basket that is ratresistant, leak-proof, harder to misuse with household trash (due to its split lid), and both easier and safer for Sanitation Workers to empty.

#### Parks Litter Baskets and Waste

The New York City Department of Parks & Recreation (DPR) does not deploy public recycling baskets. DPR reported the following actions to minimize or eliminate elements of the waste stream:

- Lawn Clippings: All lawn clippings (on average 14,000 tons annually) are left in place to decompose and provide nutrients to the turf.
- Leaves: Leaves on lawns are mulch mowed and left in place. Leaves and other organic materials in horticulture beds are left in place to decompose, providing nutrients. Leaves collected from paved surfaces are delivered to DSNY's composting facilities at Soundview, Bronx and Fresh Kills, Staten Island (362 tons in Fall 2024).
- Composting: At least 12 Parks locations process compostable waste for park horticultural use.
- Woody Debris: Parks processes woody debris from felled and removed trees into single-and double-ground woodchips which are reused as mulch for new street tree plantings and horticulture projects citywide.
- MulchFest: For over 20 years, Parks has organized MulchFest, processing thousands of holiday trees (52,184 in January 2025) into mulch to be used by Parks and its partners.

#### Transit Litter Baskets

The Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) reported that New York City Transit (NYCT) collects commingled materials from public litter baskets at subway stations citywide and transports materials to a Bronx facility where recyclables are sorted out.

#### **Eliminating Non-Divertible Materials**

According to the 2023 NYC Waste Characterization Study, there are 117 material categories that are deemed "non-divertible." A material can be considered non-divertible for several reasons. For some materials, the high costs of processing and recycling are prohibitive to developing a secondary recycling market. Other materials may be soiled, multi-material, or have no existing processing or recycling infrastructure.

The list below combines those categories into larger material groups that are not recyclable as part of DSNY's residential collections

- Expanded Polypropylene Plastics
- Expanded Polystyrene Plastics
- Film Plastics and Pouches
- Upholstery
- Disposable Diapers, Sanitary Products, and Animal Waste
- Garden Hoses
- Non-Recyclable Paper

Eliminating these materials from the waste stream is difficult and expensive. Prior to focusing our efforts on these materials, DSNY prioritizes expanding access and growing participation in our organics and traditional recycling programs, which make up most of NYC's waste. To remove or reduce these materials from the waste stream, the solution is upstream of DSNY in the form of Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). EPR programs would move the management of these hard-to-recycle materials from local governments to the producers of these goods. In addition, EPR programs would disincentivize the usage of nonrecyclable material types and encourage manufacturers to design for recyclability.

As an example, New York State recently enacted an EPR program for carpet. This law, which took effect in December 2024, requires carpet producers to finance and implement convenient, statewide collection and recycling programs. Producers must establish accessible drop-off locations, include post-consumer recycled content in new carpets, and phase out harmful PFAS chemicals by the end of 2026. The program sets ambitious recycling and closed-loop targets, shifting the responsibility for management of this difficult material upstream to manufacturers while creating a framework for more circular design and production. DSNY is working with NYSDEC to implement this state program in NYC.

#### **Recyclable Material Market Analysis**

The status of recycling markets has no effect on New Yorkers' abilities to participate in recycling. DSNY is mandated to collect all rigid plastics, glass, metal, cartons, and paper, and we have strong long-term contracts with our processors who must accept it.

Recycling commodity markets are dependent on factors beyond any local government's control. Global events, government policies and broad changes in the economy can quickly and dramatically alter commodity prices. The value of recyclables such as metals, glass, plastics, and paper are determined by complex global markets and supply chains. Post Covid, the impact of EPR implementation in various states in the US, plus continued efforts globally to address plastic pollution and overall consumer product recyclability, has also impacted commodities as outlined on the following page.

Market	Description
Plastics	Trends in Post-Consumer Recycled material (PCR) markets show that post-consumer plastic resin has generally gotten more expensive than their virgin counterparts. This can be attributed in part to increased demand for PCR in consumer-facing products and lower supplies of PCR than virgin material. Upstream of post-consumer resins, the price of feedstock (ex: plastic scraps) remains relatively low. Overall, plastic pricing has been the most volatile of all the markets but remained relatively steady over the past year, besides an increase in price over a period of a few months.
Metal	Metals can be classified as either ferrous or nonferrous. Metal prices can fluctuate significantly based on distances for which metals must be transported for processing, the cost of transport fuel, and international demand and policies surrounding scrap metal recovery. The global metal recycling market is anticipated to continue to grow due to the value of the material and advancements in technology enabling more material recovery. Changes in oil prices can alter the demand for metal feedstock as well since raw materials require more processing – and thus energy – to be manufactured into product. Metal pricing remained relatively steady over the past year.
Glass	Glass bottles and jars can be recycled endlessly without reduction in quality. Glass brought for recycling is processed into cullet, which is then further processed into new products. Prices for glass cullet can vary significantly by color, however prices for glass are generally the lowest of all the commodities on a per unit basis. Financial incentives and sustainability policies are likely to continue increasing demand for recycled glass products. Separately, the increased use of glass in construction and solar panels is also likely to increase the demand for glass recycling markets long-term. Glass prices did not change over the past year.
Paper	Recycled paper markets can also be volatile. Factors that have had a positive effect on U.S. recycled paper markets include increased construction of recycled paper mill capacity domestically, sustainability initiatives increasing demand for recycled paper products, and increasing amounts of cardboard in the recycling stream. The largest shift in paper markets has been the decrease in newspaper and office paper. Paper is consistently a source of revenue in recycling programs, but prices decreased over the past year.

#### **Organics Collected by Food Scrap Drop-Off Site**

#### FY25 - Total Organics Tonnage

Food Scrap Drop Off Name/Location	Organics Tonnage Collected	FY25 - Final Processing Destination
1100 Bergen Street Community Garden	1.43	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
4th Ave Presbyterian Church	2.32	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
Bard High School Early College Queens	0.32	Staten Island Compost Facility
Bronx River Alliance	0.30	Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
Brotherhood Sister Sol	0.73	Frank White Memorial Garden
Christ Church Compost Collection	11.53	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
Clinton St and Grand St	12.17	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Compost Power Howard Houses	20.04	Green City Force Wagner Houses Farm
Compost Power Wagner Houses	19.50	Green City Force Wagner Houses Farm
Earth Matter - Compost Learning Center	581.01	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center
East Broadway and Rutgers Street	8.81	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
East New York Farms	0.93	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
East New York Youth Farm	2.99	East New York Youth Farm
Edible Garden at The Keepers House	0.05	Staten Island Compost Facility
EL Garden	0.00	Staten Island Compost Facility
Forest Hills Greenmarket	3.81	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Fort Greene Park Green Market	4.79	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center
Frank White Memorial Garden	5.02	Frank White Memorial Garden
Howard Houses Farm	5.77	Green City Force Wagner Houses Farm
Karol's Community Farm	0.23	Staten Island Compost Facility
Keepers House Edible Garden	0.07	Staten Island Compost Facility
King Manor Museum	0.37	Staten Island Compost Facility
Kingsbridge Heights Community Center	3.82	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
Know Waste Lands	35.84	Know Waste Lands Community Garden
La Plaza Cultural de Armando Perez	0.28	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center

FY25	- Total
rganics	Tonnage

Food Scrap Drop Off Name/Location	Organics Tonnage Collected	FY25 - Final Processing Destination
Manhattan Plaza	13.50	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Mathews-Palmer Park	17.04	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
McCarren Park Green Market	5.80	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center
Moffat Street Community Garden	0.69	Staten Island Compost Facility
North Brooklyn Compost	14.75	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Nurture BK	9.14	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center
Prospect Farm	4.15	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Q Gardens	5.78	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Red Hook Community Farm Compost Site	7.45	Red Hook Community Farm Compost Site
Riverdale Neighborhood House	1.00	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
Roosevelt Island Farmers Market	11.31	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
Spuyten Duyvil Preschool	0.35	Staten Island Compost Facility
St. Vartan Park	4.02	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
The Connected Chef	4.67	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility, Randall's Island Urban Farm
The Opportunity Hub	0.97	Staten Island Compost Facility
Tompkins Square Greenmarket	47.35	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Union Square Greenmarket drop off site	185.42	Earth Matter Compost Learning Center, Staten Island Compost Facility
Wagner Houses Farm	4.22	Green City Force Wagner Houses Farm
Total*	1,055.52	

<sup>\*</sup>Some material in this total may be double-counted in this report, as a portion is received at the DSNY Staten Island Compost Facility.

#### **Organics Collected by DSNY "Smart Bins"**

To complement the curbside organics program, the Department has deployed Smart Composting Bins (Smart Bins) -- compost drop-off bins that residents can unlock anytime with an access application, across dozens of neighborhoods. There are approximately 400 Smart Bins across the City.

Organic waste in Smart Bins is mostly co-collected with school organics in the same trucks. Thus, organic waste tonnage collected from Smart Bins cannot be individually measured.

In FY25, 68,043 unique users accessed Smart Bins to take advantage of this easy-to-use way to compost. These bins were unlocked 1,089,074 times, showing significant demand for the program.

#### **DSNY Disposal and Processing Capacity**

Municipal solid waste in NYC is managed by a variety of facilities and typically involves multiple stops along a journey. DSNY collects residential, agency and institutional waste; commercial waste is collected by the private sector and shares some of the infrastructure and capacity discussed in this report. Most refuse collected by DSNY arrives at a transfer station prior to final disposition. The exception to this is some refuse that is brought directly to a waste-to-energy facility. Recyclable materials and organics are brought directly to a transfer station, sorting or processing site by DSNY. Below is the capacity of each transfer station, waste-to-energy facility, recyclable processor, and organics processor to which DSNY delivers material.

#### **Waste Transfer Stations**

Transfer facilities, also called transfer stations, receive, and consolidate refuse collected by DSNY. After being consolidated at a transfer facility, the material is transported to another facility for processing or disposition. Transfer facilities may be publicly or privately owned.

DSNY utilizes the City owned marine transfer station (MTS) network and contracts with private transfer stations to manage DSNY-collected refuse. The transfer stations used for DSNY-collected refuse are shown in the table below. The Waste Management transfer stations listed are currently under the Long-Term Export Program with the City. DSNY also has interim contracts with private transfer stations that are contracted to transfer DSNY-collected refuse as needed.

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#### FY25 DSNY Permitted or Contracted Transfer Station Throughput

Facility	Contracted Throughput (Average Tons Per Day)	Total DSNY Cost	Average Cost Per Ton
Hamilton Marine Transfer Station and Southwest Marine Transfer Station	2227	\$133,030,516	\$199
North Shore Marine Transfer Station and 91st St Marine Transfer Station	1972	\$124,454,072	\$210
Staten Island Transfer Station	695	\$32,094,679	\$154
Reworld Essex	1164	\$39,837,707	\$114
Private Transfer Station Network (Long Term and Interim), 10 facilities	4451	\$184,572,402	\$138

#### FY25 DSNY Permitted or Contracted Transfer Station Throughput (cont.)

#### **DSNY Permitted or Contracted Throughput Private Transfer Stations** (Average Tons Per Day) Total DSNY Cost Average Cost Per Ton Waste Management Harlem River Yard Transfer Station 2028 \$78,930,651 \$130 1102 Waste Management Varick Avenue Transfer Station \$46,872,600 \$142 Waste Management Review Avenue Transfer Station 997 \$46,147,490 \$154 Tully Environmental Transfer Station 169 \$6,567,253 \$130 American Recycling Transfer Station 130 \$5,142,664 \$132 11 Royal Waste/Regal Recycling Transfer Station \$442,048 \$132 North Shore Waste - Non-Putrescible 8 \$261,231 \$110 Interstate Waste Services - Non-Putrescible 4 \$98,388 \$82 A-1 Compaction - Non-Putrescible 3 \$108,549 \$130

#### **Material Recovery Facilities (MRFs)**

Cooper Tank - Non-Putrescible

All MRFs in NYC are privately owned. DSNY has contracts with SMR to receive and sort metal, glass, and plastic and with Sims Metal Management for bulk metal recycling and an agreement with Pratt Industries on Staten Island for paper and cardboard. Some of the paper collected by DSNY is transferred to Pratt via SMR.

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#### NYC Materials Recovery Facilities (2024 Capacity)

MRF	Borough	Recyclable Material	Processing Capacity or Average Annual Tons
SIMS Municipal Recycling	BK, QN, BX	Commingled Metal, Glass & Plastic	250,000
SIMS Municipal Recycling	Jersey City, NJ	Commingled Metal, Glass & Plastic	50,000
Sims Metal Management	BX, QN, NJ	Bulk Metal (from City Operations)	120,000
SIMS Municipal Recycling	BK, QN, BX	Paper	175,000
Pratt Paper Mill	SI	Paper	450,000
SIMS Municipal Recycling	BK, QN, BX	Commingled Metal, Glass & Plastic	250,000

#### **Organics Transfer and Processing Facilities**

The current system for the receipt, transfer, and processing of organics collected by DSNY is summarized in the table and notes below. DSNY is in the process of expanding the Staten Island Compost Facility capacity as a result of capital investments to upgrade the processing technology to an aerated static pile system.

Facility Name	Final Destination (s)	CY24 Capacity	Technology	CY24 Tons Received	CY24 Recovery Rate
American Recycling Management	Pine Island Farm AD; DSNY Staten Island Compost Facility	150	Pre-processing of food scraps for anaerobic digestion; seasonal transfer of leaf and yard waste for mulching or composting	15944	53%
DSNY's Soundview Park Compost Facility	Regional distribution of finished compost and mulch	166	Windrow composting of leaf and yard waste	305	N/A
Denali Water Solutions - Metropolitan Transfer Station	DSNY Staten Island Compost Facility, Quantum Biopower Anaerobic Digester, Reinford Farms Anaerobic Digester, Trenton Biogas Anaerobic Digester, WeCare - Ellington CT Compost Site	110	Transfered via truck to multiple processing facilities, both compost and anaerobic digestion	5336	53%
DSNY's Staten Island Compost Facility	Regional distribution of finished compost and mulch	150	Tiger depacking Pre- processing & Aerated Static Pile Composting	4872	N/A

DSNY's Rikers Island Compost Facility	On-site	N/A	In-vessel composting for organics generated on the island	2985	N/A
Waste Management of NY – Flora Street CORe Facility	Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority, anaerobic digestor.	50	Pre-processing of food scraps into a slurry; seasonal transfer of leaf and yard waste for mulching or composting	1614	69%
Waste Management of NY – Varick Avenue CORe Facility	NYCDEP's Newtown Creek WRRF, anaerobic digestor; Reliable Wood Recycling	300	Pre-processing of food scraps into a slurry; seasonal transfer of leaf and yard waste for mulching or composting	35381	79%

Comments: Only DSNY or other City Agency tonnage (no private landscapers)

Notes: TPD – tons per day; WRRF – wastewater resource recovery facility; SICF – Staten Island Compost Facility. Recovery rates unavailable for DSNY facilities

Denali Water Solutions - Metropolitan Transfer Station transfers material to American Recycling Management prior to beneficial reuse. The recovery rate for American Recycling Management includes this transfered material.

#### **Agency Recycling Plans**

Local Law 36 of 2010 requires NYC agencies to create a Waste Prevention, Reuse and Recycling Plan, assign an agency-wide Sustainability Coordinator, and report on their progress annually by October 15th, based on the previous 12 months. Reports include details on implemented waste prevention, reuse, and recycling plans, as well as updates to the plans and information on specific waste reduction activities. The overall purpose of Local Law 36 is to make city agencies more sustainable and cost-effective in their waste management, which contributes to a cleaner environment and conserves natural resources. DSNY is responsible for consolidating the recycling information from all agency reports and works to ensure compliance. Throughout the year, DSNY provides technical assistance and training in an effort to improve recycling practices at sites owned and operated by City Agencies.

#### Chancellor's Report

The Chancellor's report was not available at the time of publication.

#### Recommendations to Achieve Zero Waste in the Future

Waste management accounts for more than 1.9 million tons of greenhouse gas emissions annually in New York City — equivalent to nearly 500,000 passenger cars on the road. Reducing these emissions requires continued progress in expanding and improving diversion programs that are both practical and achievable. DSNY's programs already provide New Yorkers with opportunities to divert up to 75% of their waste through curbside collection, special drop-off and pick-up services, and community recycling events.

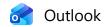
Thus, the most effective step the City can take to advance its diversion goals is to strengthen and expand the services it already provides, while also increasing participation. There is still substantial work to be done to improve access to and participation in these existing programs, and while adding new collection initiatives may be a promising longer-term path, most of the near-term potential for improving diversion comes from refining existing services and increasing participation. By strengthening core programs such as curbside recycling and organics, electronics and textile collections, and safe disposal of household hazardous waste, DSNY can maximize diversion through its already existing system. Looking further ahead, putting more focus on waste reduction and reuse will be key. Not only will the City need to collect and recycle existing materials, but also identify ways to prevent waste altogether.

To complement these efforts on waste reduction, policy is also a critical tool for shaping the waste stream. One of the most effective policies that DSNY supports is Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR). EPR programs shift the cost of managing difficult-to-recycle products from municipalities to producers and incentivize designing for recyclability. EPR also creates a system of stable funding for recycling infrastructure and programs.

New York State's existing EPR programs have already demonstrated this impact: the electronics EPR law has diverted millions of pounds of hazardous materials, while the PaintCare program has reimbursed the City more than \$600,000 to date and helped divert nearly one million gallons of paint statewide. The newly enacted Carpet Collection Program is also expected to expand recycling opportunities for one of the largest non-divertible categories in NYC's

waste stream. Taken together, these examples show the potential of EPR to transform hard-to-recycle materials and highlight how well-designed programs can drive real results. Among the opportunities for EPR ahead, the most impactful lies with packaging and paper products, which make up about 30% of the city's waste stream. Addressing these materials through EPR is a priority DSNY strongly supports.

Ultimately, reaching the City's diversion and climate goals will require a combination of strategies: strengthening existing collection programs, improving access and participation, and advancing upstream policies that reduce waste before it is created. Together, these approaches form a pathway that is ambitious yet achievable, and move NYC closer its vision of a more sustainable and resilient waste management system.



#### Public Notice of DRAFT LOCAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN (Draft SWMP26)

From swmp26comments (DSNY)

Date Thu 10/2/2025 11:14 AM

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Please be advised that this e-mail is being sent to you pursuant to solid waste management regulations contained in 6 NYCRR Part 360-366 and 369 as promulgated by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. In order to provide comments on the Draft New York City 2026 Solid Waste Management Plan, you must follow the instructions found in the attached notice.

#### October 2, 2025

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

## (1) AVAILABILITY for PUBLIC REVIEW of the DRAFT LOCAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN (Draft SWMP26); and (2) PUBLIC MEETING

Pursuant to solid waste management regulations contained in 6 NYCRR Parts 360-366 and 369 as promulgated by the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC), notice is hereby given that the New York City Department of Sanitation (DSNY) has prepared the *Draft New York City 2026 Solid Waste Management Plan (Draft SWMP26*). The goal of *Draft SWMP26* is to chart a path for the reduction, recovery, and responsible management of New York City's waste for the next decade. *Draft SWMP26* includes the following eight programs: 1) Waste Prevention and Reuse; 2) Organics Diversion and Recovery; 3) Residential Recycling; 4) Residential Municipal Solid Waste; 5) Commercial Waste; 6) Construction and Demolition Waste; 7) Special Waste; and 8) Education and Outreach.

The public may review and comment on this local solid waste management plan. The plan is available for review here: nyc.gov/swmp26. The period for receiving written comments will remain open until 5:00 PM on November 17, 2025. Written comments may be sent to the project contact person: Kate Kitchener, Director, Resource Recovery, DSNY Bureau of Solid Waste Management, 125 Worth Street, Room 720, New York, NY 10013. Email: swmp26comments@dsny.nyc.gov. After considering comments received during the public comment period, the *Draft SWMP26* will be revised and submitted to New York City Council for approval. Following New York City Council approval, the *Draft SWMP26* will be submitted to DEC for review and approval.

Further, DSNY will hold a public meeting to present an overview of the *Draft SWMP26*. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 27, 2025 via Microsoft Teams from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM using the following link:

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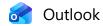
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Phone conference ID: 263 290 80#

If you need a reasonable accommodation for the meeting, please email <a href="mailto:swmp26comments@dsny.nyc.gov">swmp26comments@dsny.nyc.gov</a>. Advance notice is requested to allow sufficient time to arrange the accommodation. Please notify us by Wednesday, October 15, 2025.



#### [EXTERNAL] Ready, Set, Kindergarten! is Back at Brooklyn Public Library! (Flyer Attached)

From Aaron Soriano

Date Thu 10/2/2025 1:56 PM

To Aaron SorianoCc Michael Fieni

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Some people who received this message don't often get email from asoriano@bklynlibrary.org. <u>Learn why this is important</u>

**CAUTION! EXTERNAL SENDER.** Never click on links or open attachments if sender is unknown, and never provide user ID or password. If **suspicious**, report this email by hitting the **Phish Alert Button**. If the button is unavailable or you are on a mobile device, forward as an attachment to <a href="mailto:phish@oti.nyc.gov">phish@oti.nyc.gov</a>. Good afternoon,

Brooklyn Public Library is excited to announce the return of *Ready, Set, Kindergarten!*, a **free** six-session series for children ages 3–5 and their caregivers. Taking place at 20 library branches across Brooklyn—*and online!*—this popular program helps families get ready for next year school through stories, songs, and activities rooted in the Science of Reading.

Each week, children and caregivers explore early literacy, science, and math through music, art, and play. Together, families practice key skills—like oral language, vocabulary, letter knowledge, and phonemic awareness—that build a strong foundation for reading and learning. The experience of learning with peers also helps children develop the social and emotional skills they'll need in the classroom. Families who attend receive free materials to continue the fun and learning at home.

We hope your office will share this free opportunity with families in your community and help connect Brooklyn's youngest learners with an enriching, joyful experience that prepares them for school success.

Ready, Set, Kindergarten is supported by the City's First Readers Initiative of the New York City Council.

For program details, locations, and registration, please see the attached flyer or visit bklynlib.org/rsk.

Sincerely,

**Aaron Soriano | Senior Manager, Government and Community Relations Brooklyn Public Library** 

bklynlibrary.org

Thank our City Leaders for Investing in Libraries

# READY, SET, KINDERGARTEN!

Join us at the library for stories and activities designed to encourage the development of early learning practices. Exploring literacy, science and math through music, stories, art, and play will help you and your child get ready for school!

Ready, Set, Kindergarten programs include:

- Early Literacy Storytimes for children ages 3 - 5 and their caregivers at a branch near you three seasons a year!
- Weekly virtual afterschool storutimes on Zoom!

Find a Ready Set program by visiting our website:

#### bklynlib.org/rsk

Sign up for Ready Set Kindergarten texting! Get 1 – 2 early literacy activities weekly: Text "RSK" to 313131.







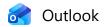
Parent and caregiver workshops!











#### DCWP Consumer Bill of Rights regarding Tax Preparer 2025

From Revina, Reina (DCWP)

Date Wed 10/15/2025 10:27 AM

To Revina, Reina (DCWP)

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Dear Partner,

Please find attached the Consumer Bill of Rights regarding Tax Preparers for the upcoming tax season.

Best,

Reina Revina

#### Reina Revina

Pronouns: she/her/hers Legislative Analyst New York City Department of Consumer and Worker Protection

#### nyc.gov/dcwp

# **Consumer Bill of Rights Regarding Tax Preparers**

By law, tax preparers must give you a copy of this document before beginning any discussions about tax preparation services. The tax preparer must let you review this document and must answer any questions you have.

#### You have the right to know:

- Identification and qualifications of the tax preparer. Tax preparers must tell you if they are NOT an attorney or Certified Public Accountant (CPA). Tax preparers that are not attorneys or CPAs must have a sign stating their name, address, phone number, and relevant qualifications.
- Fees and additional charges. Tax preparers must have a sign listing the tax preparation services they offer, the price of each service, and any additional fees they charge.
- Options for paying for service and receiving your refund. Tax preparers cannot require you to use a Refund Anticipation Loan/Refund Advance Loan (RAL), Refund Anticipation Check (RAC), Refund Transfer, or other similar products. RACs and Refund Transfers are deferred payment options, which mean you do not pay for service now but money will be taken from your refund. Be aware that all of these options may have additional fees, increase the tax preparation fee, and/or delay the receipt of your refund.
- Whether or not the tax preparer will represent you at a government audit. Tax preparers must represent you or provide you with representation at an audit unless they post a sign stating they will not represent you.

#### BEFORE YOU PAY for tax preparation services, you have the right to receive:

- A written list of the refund options and tax services offered by the tax preparer.
- A written estimate of the total cost of each service offered by the tax preparer, including basic filing fees, interest rates, RAL, RAC, and Refund Transfer processing fees, and any other related fees or charges.
- A written estimate of how long you can expect to wait for your refund based on the selected methods of payment and/or refund delivery.
- A written estimated interest rate for a RAL, or any other loan service, offered by the tax preparer.



#### **Important Update about Refund Payments**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) no longer issues paper checks. You can receive a federal refund by direct deposit or a Treasury-sponsored debit card only. You can still receive a New York State refund by direct deposit or paper check.

#### **Deferred Payment Options**

The tax preparer may offer you products that let you delay payment for service; however, money will be taken out of your refund to pay the fees you owe. These deferred payment products may include a **Refund Advance Check (RAC)** or a **Refund Transfer**. Be aware that these products can have unexpected *additional* fees.

If you use the RAC or Refund Transfer payment option, typically the tax preparer will set up a temporary bank account in your name into which your refund will be directly deposited. The tax preparer deducts tax preparation fees and any extra fees for using a RAC or Refund Transfer from your refund, then gives the remaining money to you. If your refund does not cover all of the tax preparation fees, some preparers may use a third-party debt collection business to collect any remaining balance.



#### **Common Terms**

**IRS Form 1040:** You use this form to file your taxes with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Form 1040 reports your personal information, such as name, Social Security number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), as well as salary, wages, and other income. Your entries on Form 1040 determine if you owe money to the government or if you will receive a tax refund. Depending on your situation, you may need to submit additional IRS Forms or Schedules. Some tax preparers may charge fees based on the number of forms they need to use to file your taxes. You can file taxes by mail or online (e-file).

**Tax Refund:** You will get money (refund) from the IRS, New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, or other state tax agencies if you paid more taxes than you owed. The fastest way to receive your refund is to choose direct deposit into your bank account.

#### You have the right to receive:

- A copy of your tax return prepared at the time the original is filed or given to you to file. (Note: Tax preparers must sign every tax return they prepare.)
- An itemized receipt listing the individual cost of each service provided and each form prepared for you.
  - The receipt **must list the address and phone number** where you can contact the tax preparer throughout the year.
- Your personal papers returned to you upon request at the time your tax return is filed or given to you to file (unless the tax preparer is specifically permitted to keep such papers under New York State law).

#### It is illegal for a tax preparer to:

- Ask you to sign a blank or incomplete tax return or alter a tax return after you have signed it unless you give
  written consent.
- Charge a fee based upon the amount of tax you owe or the refund you will receive.
- Guarantee a specific refund amount or guarantee that you will not be audited by any government tax agency.
- Request that you assign to the preparer any portion of your refund (if you receive one).
- Reveal any personal information to any person or business other than you or your authorized designee or anyone authorized to receive such information by court order or by law.
- Have your tax refund mailed to the tax preparer, unless you have signed a power of attorney containing such authorization.
- Ask you to violate any law, rule, or regulation.

#### Beware of Refund Anticipation Loans/Refund Advance Loans (RALs)

- A RAL is a short-term loan. The loan amount is a portion of your estimated tax refund. The loan term is usually less than one month the anticipated time for the tax preparer to receive your full refund. The tax preparer will deduct the loan amount (your loan payment) and any interest or fees from your full refund, then give you any remaining money.
- A RAL may be based on documents that are not considered final, such as a pay stub, and not a W-2. Your final tax return must include your final financial statements (e.g., W-2) since this information is shared with the IRS and New York State Department of Taxation and Finance. If your refund is less than expected, it might not be enough to pay off the RAL. You still must repay all of the loan, including any interest and fees.
- Some RALs have high interest rates. Even RALs marketed as "free" and other refund advance products can have fees.
- A RAL is not an "instant refund," and tax preparers cannot use this or similar terms ("rapid refund," "express refund," or "fast cash") that hide the fact that a RAL is a loan. *No one* can give you immediate access to your tax refund either the full amount or an "advance" before the IRS or New York State issues it.
- Taking out a RAL is optional. Tax preparers cannot require you to take out a RAL.



- BEFORE YOU TAKE OUT A RAL, the tax preparer must give you a one-page document that tells you in both English and Spanish:
  - o you are not required to enter into the RAL;
  - o the RAL is a loan you must repay regardless of the amount of your tax refund;
  - o the amount of your expected tax refund;
  - o the fees for the RAL and approximate amount you will receive as your loan;
  - the interest rate expressed as the estimated annual percentage rate (APR) based on the amount of time the loan will be outstanding, if applicable;
  - o the approximate date you would get your loan money if you take out a RAL; and
  - o the approximate date you would get your refund without the RAL.
- If you cannot read English or Spanish, the tax preparer must explain this information to you in a language that you understand.

#### Things to Review on Your Tax Paperwork:

- Make sure that all information is accurate, including your name and mailing address.
- Make sure that the way you want to receive your refund, especially bank account information, is accurate.
  - If you requested direct deposit of your refund to a personal bank account, make sure the account number is correct. The fastest way to receive your refund is through direct deposit to a personal bank account.
  - If you selected a RAL, RAC, or Refund Transfer payment option, the number of the temporary bank account set up by the tax preparer in your name will be in your return.

**Note:** The IRS or New York State Department of Taxation and Finance may use the bank account information in your return to deposit additional payments. If your return has information for a temporary bank account (for a RAL, RAC, or Refund Transfer), you may receive any additional payments by mail instead of direct deposit. Payment may be in the form of a check or prepaid debit card.

Remember, you have a right to receive a written estimate of the total cost of each service offered by the tax preparer, including refund advance or deferred payment products, and the time it will take for you to receive your refund with or without a RAL, RAC, or Refund Transfer, so be sure to ask.

For more information or to file a complaint against a tax preparer, contact 311 or visit nyc.gov/dcwp



#### **Free Tax Preparation**

You may qualify for **NYC Free Tax Prep** services, which could help you claim important tax credits like the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the New York City Child Care Tax Credit (CCTC). For more information, call **311** or visit **nyc.gov/taxprep** 



#### Free Financial Counseling

An NYC Financial Empowerment Center counselor can help you open a safe and affordable bank account if you don't have one. To book an appointment, visit <a href="https://nyc.gov/TalkMoney">nyc.gov/TalkMoney</a> or call 311.



## Renter Rights Regarding Broker Fees

As of June 11, 2025, it is illegal for landlords to charge real estate broker fees to renters.

## Under NYC's Fairness in Apartment Rental Expenses (FARE) Act:

- No one can require renters to pay a broker they didn't hire to rent an apartment.
- Renters can choose to hire their own broker and pay broker fees.
- Apartment listings must clearly state all fees a tenant must pay to rent an apartment.
- Landlords or their agents must give tenants a
  written itemized list of all fees they must pay
  before they sign a lease. Fees must include a
  written description. Landlords or their agents
  must keep the signed disclosure for three years
  and give a copy to tenants.
- Renters can sue in civil court if anyone violates their rights under the FARE Act.

#### File a Complaint

Renters can file broker fee complaints with the Department of Consumer and Worker Protection:

- Visit nyc.gov/consumers
- Call **311** (212-639-9675 outside NYC)





#### **Our Mission and Purpose**

The NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) protects and enhances the daily economic lives of New Yorkers to create thriving communities.

If you *shop* at a business, *work* at a business, or *own* a business, DCWP touches your life.

#### **Our Commitment to Consumers**

DCWP enforces consumer protection and licensing laws to protect you in the marketplace.

We also offer free programs to help you do more with your money.

Visit nyc.gov/dcwp or call 311 to:

- Get tips
- Check if a business is licensed
- File a complaint
- Get free financial counseling
- Get free tax preparation

You do not have to give your name or your immigration status to make a complaint. However, if you want DCWP to contact you, you must provide your name and address.



**NYC Financial Empowerment Centers** offer free one-on-one professional financial counseling in person or by phone. Counselors speak multiple languages. Services are secure and confidential.

You must be at least 18 and live or work in NYC. Income and immigration status do not matter.



Book an appointment: nyc.gov/TalkMoney | 311



You may qualify for **NYC Free Tax Prep** services, which include online filing and in-person filing. Some sites can help you with Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN), prior-year returns, or quarterly tax filings if you're self-employed.



For more information about services and ITIN: nyc.gov/taxprep | 311



#### **Our Commitment to Workers**

If you work in NYC, you have rights regardless of your immigration status. Rights enforced by DCWP include:

- Paid safe and sick leave
- Temporary schedule changes
- Predictable schedules (if you work in fast food or retail)
- Minimum pay and more protections for restaurant delivery workers (if you work for an app)

If an employer or app violates the law, workers may be owed money.

We offer free mediation and navigation programs:

- Domestic Worker Mediation Program
  Helps domestic workers and household
  employers resolve issues without going
  to court.
- Navigation Program
   Helps freelance workers who have not been paid.

For more information or to file a complaint: nyc.gov/workers | 311

#### **Our Commitment to Businesses**

DCWP licenses more than 45,000 businesses in more than 40 industries. We offer convenient online services and free resources to help businesses comply with the law.

Using DCWP online services, account holders can:

- Apply for and renew licenses
- Review and update license information
- View past inspections
- Schedule certain scale and fuel inspections
- Pay fines and fees
- View complaints submitted against your business
- And more!

Visit nyc.gov/dcwp to learn more.





## **DISTRICT 34**

## **PARTICIPATORY**

BUDGETING

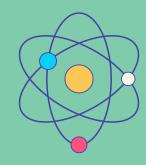
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Participatory Budgeting (PB) is a democratic process where community members directly decide how to spend \$1M in their community.

From now until November 28, you can submit ideas to improve public spaces such as schools, parks, libraries, and other locations in your community.



## SUBMIT YOUR IDEAS HERE: BIT.LY/D34IDEAS









FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 718-963-3141 OR EMAIL AT DISTRICT34@COUNCIL.NYC.GOV

Apply to High School

All NYC 8th graders-and interested first-time 9th graders-can apply to high school by following one or all of the below paths:

- 1 Submit a high school application. This process is how you apply to most high school programs. Apply to 12 or more programs in your true order of preference.
- Register to take the Specialized High Schools Admissions Test (SHSAT) for admission to one of the eight testing Specialized High Schools.
- 3 Apply to Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School of Music & Art and Performing Arts.

Students can apply to any/all of LaGuardia's six arts programs by submitting an application and auditioning.

#### **Important Dates**

- Tuesday, October 7, 2025
   High school application, LaGuardia application, and SHSAT registration opens
- Friday, October 31, 2025
   SHSAT registration closes
- Wednesday, December 3, 2025
  High school and LaGuardia applications close
- Thursday, March 5, 2026
   High school offer release







## **Application Factors**

Learn about these factors to build a balanced application—learn more at schools.nyc.gov/HS.

#### **Your Choices**

The number of program choices you add to your application and the order in which you place them matter!

- Apply to 12 or more programs, all of which you are truly interested in your child attending. Students who list 12 or more choices are much more likely to receive an offer from their application. There is no limit to how many programs you may list.
- Place programs in your true order of preference. Schools will not know if they were your first or last choice. Your child will always be considered for their firstchoice program first; if they don't get an offer there, they will be considered for their second-choice program as if it were their first choice, and so on.

#### Your Child's Chances

MySchools.nyc projects for each applicant if they have a low, medium, or high chance of getting an offer to each high school program.

- Review your child's chances at each program of interest and ensure you are including at least some high-chance programs on the application, in your true order of preference.
- You are encouraged to list as many low- and medium- chance programs on the application as you like, as long as you are also including some high-chance programs.
- Programs that require an additional assessment or audition as part of their admissions process will not display your child's chance of an offer. If you are interested in these programs, please list them in your true preference order, but be sure to include some high-chance programs as well.

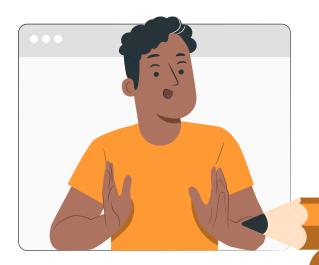
#### Each Program's **Admissions Methods**

A program's admissions method tells you how offers are made to its applicants, as well as what you need to do to apply.

- Learn more about these admissions methods at schools.nyc.gov/HS.
  - Open or educational option (ed. opt.): Applicants get offers based on random numbers, as in a lottery.
  - Screened: Applicants are grouped and/or ranked based on course grades.
  - Screened with assessment: Applicants are ranked based on a school-based assessment, and in some cases also their course grades.
  - Audition: Applicants are evaluated based solely on their auditions, then ranked by score; offers are made in ranked-number order. Academic records are not used to make offers to audition programs, except to LaGuardia High School, which uses a separate admissions process.
  - Language criteria: Applicants are evaluated by the school based on English language learning factors.
- If you are listing screened, screened with assessment, or audition programs on your child's application, consider also including programs that use an open or ed. opt. admissions method.







# Apply to Middle School

All NYC fifth graders (and sixth graders at schools that end in sixth grade) can apply to middle school this fall.

#### Important Dates to Remember

- Wednesday, October 15, 2025
   Middle school application opens
- Monday, November 3, 2025
   Deadline to register to test for Mark Twain
   I.S. 239 (21K329) and District 21 Talent Tests
- Friday, December 12, 2025
   Middle school application closes
- Wednesday, April 15, 2026
   Middle school offer release





#### **Admissions Checklist**

#### **Explore and Learn**

- Log in to **MySchools.nyc** to explore your child's school options.
  - Zoned schools prioritize zoned students for seats.
  - Most programs have a district priority, which means seats will first be filled by students and residents of the district.
- Attend one of our virtual information sessions. Information on how to join will be on our website: **schools.nyc.gov/MS**.
- Use the MySchools Events Calendar (MySchools.nyc/calendar) to learn about schools' events. Be sure to also check schools' websites for more information.

#### **Apply**

- Apply to middle school by **December 12, 2025**.
  - List programs in your true order of preference, with your favorite choice as #1. There's no limit to how many programs you may list!
  - Some programs may require an audition/talent test. Learn more at schools.nyc.gov/MSAuditions.
- Submit one of the following ways:
  - Online with MySchools.nyc Recommended!
  - · Through your child's current school counselor
  - Through a Family Welcome Center. Learn more at schools.nyc.gov/FWC.

#### **Get Your Offer**

- Your child's offer will be available on **MySchools.nyc** and through their school counselor.
- Add your child to additional waitlists (optional). If they get a waitlist offer, you will receive an automated email from MySchools. The program may also contact you directly.

## **Application Factors**

Learn about these factors to better know your child's chances of getting an offer to each program that interests them. Then use your findings to build a balanced application—learn more at schools.nyc.gov/MS.

#### **Your Choices**

The number of program choices you add to your application and the order in which you place them matter!

- Apply to programs you are interested in your child attending. Students who list multiple choices are much more likely to receive an offer from their application. There is no limit to how many programs you may list.
- List programs in your true order of preference. Schools will not know if they were your first or last choice. Your child will always be considered for their firstchoice program first; if they don't get an offer there, they be considered for their second-choice program as if it were their first choice, and so on.
- A strong middle school application includes:
  - programs in the district(s) where your child lives or goes to school.
  - some programs with an average level of demand (1-2 applicants per seat)

#### Each Program's Seat Availability

The number of available seats at different programs varies.

- For admissions purposes only, all programs admit students in two seat groups: general education students (GE) and students with disabilities (SWD). Your child's application will indicate GE or SWD.
- A program's number of applicants per seat (shown in MySchools) helps show how in-demand a program tends to be. Be sure to list a mix of high-demand and lower-demand programs. Learn more at schools.nyc.gov/MS.

#### Each Program's **Priority Groups**

Some programs use admissions priorities, meaning they admit specific groups of applicants before others.

- If there are more applicants to a program than seats available, the program admits applicants in priority-group order: all applicants in priority group 1 are considered for offers before any applicants in priority group 2, and so on.
- Find any program's priority groups on its MySchools page. Log in to see which priority your child is in for each program. Apply to some programs where your child is in priority group 1: whether you list a program first or last, your child will keep the same priority to attend it.

#### Each Program's **Admissions Methods**

A program's admissions method tells you how offers are made to its applicants, as well as what you need to do to apply.

- Learn more about these admissions methods on schools.nyc.gov/MS.
  - Open: Applicants get offers based on random numbers, as in a lottery. Just list these programs on your application.
  - **Zoned Priority:** Applicants who live in the middle school zone are admitted first.
  - Screened/Language Criteria: Applicants are placed based on selection criteria.
  - Audition: Applicants are evaluated based solely on their auditions, then ranked by score; offers are made in ranked-number order. Academic records are not used to make offers to audition programs.
- If you are listing screened or audition programs on your child's application, consider also including programs that use an open admissions method.





#### Come to a

## Middle School Admissions Event

### For families of students entering middle school in Fall 2026

Families of current fifth-grade students are invited to join us for a live virtual information session about applying to middle school!

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October 21, 2025 5PM – 6PM	English <b>6</b>	Albanian, Bangla, Korean, Spanish	
October 22, 2025 5PM – 6PM	English <b>b</b> g	Chinese (Mandarin), Haitian Creole, Urdu, Ukranian	
October 23, 2025 1PM – 2PM	English <b>Ég</b>	Arabic, French, Russian, Uzbek	



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This event will focus on registration for the Specialized High Schools Admissions Test (SHSAT).

October 14, 2025 6PM – 7PM	English <b>b</b>	Albanian, Arabic, Haitian Creole, Urdu
October 15, 2025 5PM – 6PM	English <b>6</b>	Bangla, Chinese (Mandarin) Russian, Spanish

This event will focus on how students with disabilities participate in high school admissions.

October 16, 2025 5PM – 6PM	Spanish	Spanish only event	
October 23, 2025 5PM – 6PM	Chinese	Chinese (Mandarin) event only	
October 24, 2025 3PM – 4PM	English	Korean, Russian, Spanish, Uzbek	
October 30, 2025 6PM – 7PM	English <b>6</b> 9	Chinese (Mandarin), French, Korean, Urdu	

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#### [EXTERNAL] Proposed cannabis showcase event regulations

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Good afternoon, Brooklyn.

I hope all is well. Wanted to make sure you are aware that the Cannabis Showcase Event regulations was posted to the state register on September 24, 2025.

Public comment is open for 60-days until **Monday, November 24, 2025**, at 11:59PM. The proposed regulations follow legislation signed by Governor Kathy Hochul to allow the sales of cannabis products at certain events such as farmers markets and pop-up locations.

Comments on the proposed regulations can be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:regulations@ocm.ny.gov">regulations@ocm.ny.gov</a> or mailed to: New York State Office of Cannabis Management P.O. Box 2071, Albany, NY 12220.

Proposed cannabis showcase event regulations:

Part 117 Cannabis Showcase Events (PDF)

Best.

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- 1 Pursuant to the authority vested in the Cannabis Control Board by section 130-a of the
- 2 Cannabis Law, a new Part 117 is added to Chapter II of Subtitle B of Title 9 of the Official
- 3 Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York, to be effective upon
- 4 publication of a Notice of Adoption in the New York State Register.
- 5 Part 117 Cannabis Showcase Events.
- 6 § 117.1 Definitions.
- 7 § 117.2 Cannabis Showcase Event Permit Eligibility and Application Process.
- **§ 117.3 Cannabis Showcase Event Operations.**
- 9 § 117.4 Cannabis Showcase Event Permit Limitations.
- 10 § 117.5 Cannabis Showcase Event Vendors.
- 11 § 117.6 Severability.
- 12 **§ 117.1 Definitions.**
- 13 (a) All definitions set forth in section 118.1 of this Chapter shall be applicable to this Part 14 unless otherwise defined herein.
- 15 (b) For purposes of this Part, the following definitions shall apply:
- (1) Adult-use cannabis retailer means a registered organization with dispensing (ROD) or an adult-use retail dispensary which is licensed pursuant to article 4 of the Cannabis Law to operate.
- (2) Applicant means an adult-use cannabis retailer applying for a cannabis showcase eventpermit.
- 21 (3) Authorized employee means an employee that is included in the staffing plan as 22 provided by the permittee and authorized licensees for each cannabis showcase event permit.

1	(4) Authorized licensee	means a cultivator,	processor, ROD,	registered	organization non-
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- 2 dispensing (ROND), or microbusiness which is licensed pursuant to article 4 of the Cannabis Law
- 3 to showcase at a cannabis showcase event.
- 4 (5) Cannabis showcase event, or event, means an event as defined in section 130-a of the
- 5 Cannabis Law.
- 6 (6) Cannabis showcase event permit, or permit, means a permit issued by the office
- 7 pursuant to section 130-a of the Cannabis Law.
- 8 (7) Cannabis showcase event area, or event area, means the physical space of a cannabis
- 9 showcase event location, as described in a cannabis showcase event site plan, where a cannabis
- showcase event is taking place, whether indoors or outdoors.
- 11 (8) Cannabis showcase event sales area or sales area means the physical space within a
- cannabis showcase event area where the permittee is transacting sales of adult-use cannabis
- 13 products.
- 14 (9) Employee in charge of showcasing means a management-level employee of an
- authorized licensee, who is at least 21 years of age or older and is designated by such authorized
- licensee to perform and/or oversee showcasing operations of an authorized licensee at a cannabis
- 17 showcase event.
- 18 (10) Employee in charge of sales means a management-level employee of the permittee
- who is at least 21 years old of age or older and is designated by the permittee to supervise the
- 20 cannabis showcase event sales area.
- 21 (11) Farmers' market means farmers' market as defined in section 260 of the Agriculture
- 22 and Markets Law.

- 1 (12) Lead contact means a management-level employee of the permittee who is at least 21 2 years old of age or older that is designated by the permittee for the cannabis showcase event 3 staffing plan and compliance leading up to and at the cannabis showcase event.
- 4 (13) Partnership means an agreement between an adult-use cannabis retailer and an authorized licensee to participate in a cannabis showcase event.
- 6 (14) *Permittee* means a licensed adult-use cannabis retailer that holds a cannabis showcase 7 event permit issued by the office.
  - (15) *Pop-up* or *pop-up location* means a temporary location for the short-term operation of a cannabis showcase event, which is away from the adult-use cannabis retailer's licensed premises.
- 10 (16) *Public market* means public market as defined in section 260 of the Agriculture and
  11 Markets Law.
- 12 (17) *Showcase* means showcase as defined in section 130-a of the Cannabis Law.
- 13 (18) *Vendor* means a business or entity that is not licensed by the board that has an agreement with the permittee to provide goods or services at a cannabis showcase event pursuant to section 117.6 of this Part.
- 16 § 117.2 Cannabis Showcase Event Permit Eligibility and Application Process.
- 17 (a) Eligibility.

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- (1) A cannabis showcase event permit shall only be issued to an adult-use cannabis retailer.
- (2) A cannabis showcase event permit must be located at a pop-up location, farmers'market, or public market.
  - (3) To be eligible for a cannabis showcase event permit, an applicant shall enter into a partnership with at least one licensed cultivator and at least one licensed processor who will participate as authorized licensees.

(i) For the purposes of this Part, a licensed microbusiness shall be considered a licensed cultivator, provided, however, that a licensed microbusiness may instead be considered a licensed processor if such licensed microbusiness has received processing authority from the office, pursuant to section 123.11 of this Chapter. A licensed microbusiness may not participate in an event as both a licensed processor and a licensed cultivator.

- (ii) An applicant may be in partnership with more than one licensed processor on an event application; provided, however, for each licensed processor listed on an application, the applicant is required to have at least one licensed cultivator in partnership for such event application.
- (4) The licenses or registrations of applicants and authorized licensees must be in effect at the time of application and during the event.
- (5) A ROD may apply for a permit and shall be authorized to sell and showcase its own cannabis and cannabis products, as well as cannabis and cannabis products produced by other adult-use cannabis licensees in this State. A ROD may participate in a cannabis showcase event as an authorized licensee showcasing cannabis products either in their capacity as a cultivator or as a processor. At no time shall a cannabis showcase event permit authorize a ROD to act concurrently as a permittee and an authorized licensee at an event.
- (6) A cannabis showcase event permit shall be effective for no more than 14 consecutive calendar days.
- (7) No location may be used for more than 14 consecutive days or more than 45 days in a calendar year, for any cannabis showcase event.
- (8) A separate cannabis showcase event permit shall be required for each adult-use cannabis retailer seeking to locate an event at a pop-up, farmers' market, or public market.

1	(9) No cannabis showcase event permit shall authorize more than one cannabis showcase
2	event at one time.
3	(10) Licensed cultivators, processors, microbusinesses, RODs, and RONDs may
4	participate in more than one cannabis showcase event at the same time as authorized licensees,
5	provided that:
6	(i) each event has a corresponding separate cannabis showcase event permit;
7	(ii) each such licensee is in partnership with a permittee for each event; and
8	(iii) each such licensee is listed as an authorized licensee on such permittee's cannabis
9	showcase event application.
10	(11) Permittees may conduct no more than two cannabis showcase events at the same time.
11	(b) Required Application Information. The applicant shall provide the following information for
12	the proposed cannabis showcase event permit:
13	(1) applicant name, contact information, and license number;
14	(2) a brief description of the cannabis showcase event;
15	(3) cannabis showcase event name;
16	(4) cannabis showcase event location address;
17	(5) the dates and times, including the hours of operation of the actual sale and showcasing
18	of cannabis products, which the cannabis showcase event shall occur;
19	(6) names of the permittee's lead contact, employee in charge of sales and all other
20	authorized employees;
21	(7) names, contact information, and license numbers of authorized licensees that will
22	showcase at the event;

(8) a site plan, including, but not limited to:

(i) cannabis showcase event area and cannabis showcase event sales area descriptions and 1 measurements, including an approximate drawing and/or photographs; and 2 (ii) a map of the pop-up, farmers' market, or public market where the cannabis showcase 3 event will be located, which shall include the location of the permittee's cannabis showcase event 4 5 permit area; 6 (9) information on all cannabis showcase event vendors for such event, including, but not limited to, the following information: 7 (i) name, trade name or "doing business as" name, and description of the vendor or vendors; 8 9 (ii) the activities that the vendor intends to engage; and (iii) for any food vendors, an attestation by the applicant that all such vendors possess or 10 will possess an active temporary food service permit to operate from the appropriate health 11 authority within this State or by the Department of Agriculture and Markets, as applicable; 12 (10) cannabis showcase event location host name and contact information; 13 14 (11) security and storage plan. The security and storage plan must ensure that: (i) anyone attending the event does not have direct access to product unless inspecting 15 16 samples; 17 (ii) any cash is locked and secure and never left unattended at the cannabis showcase event; (iii) the permittee will possess or have access to a secure internet connection at the event 18 19 for the purpose of facilitating and tracking cannabis product transactions; 20 (iv) the permittee and authorized licensees will continue to comply with all storage and

security requirements pursuant to section 125.3 this Chapter;

- (v) cannabis products not intended for display shall be secured in an area that is only
   accessible to authorized employees, not visible to customers, and is suitable to the cannabis
   product form being stored;
- (vi) cannabis products shall not be left at the cannabis showcase event area overnight; and
  (vii) a description of the measures being taken to ensure that the cannabis showcase event
  will be limited to populations 21 years of age or older;
- 7 (12) any advertisement or marketing to be used for the cannabis showcase event pursuant 8 to Parts 128 and 129 of this Chapter;
  - (13) an authorization from the municipality where the event is proposed to take place, which shall:
  - (i) be signed by an official of the municipality where the cannabis showcase event is to take place;
  - (ii) include the cannabis showcase event location, days, and times at which cannabis products are being offered for sale or sold; and
    - (iii) state that the municipality approves or authorized the event;

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- (14) if the event is located at a farmers' market or public market, a written authorization from the farmers' market or public market for the permittee to operate the cannabis showcase event. The written authorization shall:
  - (i) be signed by the manager or other official representative of the farmers' market or public market responsible for approving vendors, merchants, or events;
- 21 (ii) include a notation of any fee that may be required by the farmers' market or public 22 market for the cannabis showcase event to take place, and whether such fee has been paid; and

- 1 (iii) include the cannabis showcase event location, days, and times at which cannabis 2 products are being offered for sale or sold;
- 3 (15) an attestation from the applicant that it has obtained, or will obtain, all required 4 permits, registrations, approvals, and authorizations to conduct the event and any activities at the 5 event:
- 6 (16) any other information as determined by the office.
- 7 (c) Application Fees. All cannabis showcase event permit applications shall be accompanied by a
   8 non-refundable application fee for a permit as follows:
- 9 (1) for an event no more than three days: \$300;
- 10 (2) for an event at least four days but no more than seven days: \$550; or
- 11 (3) for an event at least eight days but no more than fourteen days: \$800.
  - (4) For the purposes of this Part, permit applicants that qualify as social and economic equity licensees shall qualify to pay a 50% reduced permit fee.
- 14 (d) Application Review Process.

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- (1) An application must be received by the office at least 45 calendar days before the proposed cannabis showcase event, except for situations in which good cause is shown.
- (2) If the application is incomplete or otherwise insufficient to satisfy the requirements of this Part, the applicant shall receive a deficiency notice from the office.
- 19 (i) The applicant shall have 15 calendar days to cure any deficiencies.
- 20 (ii) If the applicant cannot cure all the deficiencies within such period, the application will be denied.
- 22 (3) The following factors will be considered by the office to determine whether the application should be approved:

1	(i) completion of application;
2	(ii) compliance with other applicable regulations;
3	(iii) health and safety issues;
4	(iv) risk factors that may attract or expose children to cannabis products;
5	(v) feasibility of complying with proposed staffing, security, cannabis storage, or any other
6	plan submitted in the application; and
7	(vi) applicant's history of compliance with the Cannabis Law and this Chapter.
8	§ 117.3 Cannabis Showcase Event Operations.
9	(a) Authorized Sales.
10	(1) Adult-use cannabis product sales at a cannabis showcase event shall be limited to the
11	permittee named on the permit for such event.
12	(2) Any authorized licensee that showcases their adult-use cannabis products at a cannabis
13	showcase event shall be prohibited from engaging in direct or indirect cannabis sales at a cannabis
14	showcase event to any person.
15	(3) A ROD permittee shall be required to maintain a minimum of 40% of cannabis
16	showcase event available shelf-space for adult-use product cultivated and processed by licensees
17	that are not RODs.
18	(5) Licensed cultivators, processors, RONDs, and microbusinesses may only showcase
19	adult-use cannabis products at a cannabis showcase event as an authorized licensee. At no time
20	shall such authorized licensees conduct cannabis product sales or purchases at an event.

(1) No permittee shall locate a cannabis showcase event on any premises which shall be:

(b) Cannabis Showcase Event Locations.

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- 1 (i) within a 200-foot radius of a licensed adult-use cannabis retailer's premises, except
  2 when such premises is licensed to the permittee;
- 3 (ii) within a 200-foot radius of the event sales area to be measured from the entrance of 4 the adult-use cannabis retailer's premises;
- (iii) on the same road and within 200 feet of the entrance of a building occupied exclusively
   as a house of worship;
- 7 (iv) on the same road and within 500 feet of the entrance of a building occupied exclusively 8 as a school; and
  - (v) on the same road and within 500 feet of a structure or its grounds occupied exclusively as a public youth facility, if the municipality has enacted a local law pursuant to section 119.2 of this Chapter.
  - (2) For purposes of this Part, the measurements shall be taken from the closest boundary of the event sales area to premises exclusively used as a house of worship, school, or public youth facility.
    - (3) Pop-up cannabis showcase events may take place in or at:
- (i) an open-air location, including, but not limited to a park, beach, square, parking lot,farm, or field;
  - (ii) a brick-and-mortar location;

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- 19 (iii) the outside of or immediately adjacent to a licensed adult-use retail dispensary, 20 provided such licensee is the permittee in the event;
  - (iv) the cultivation premises of a licensed cultivator, provided such licensee is participating as an authorized licensee in the event;

- 1 (v) the processing premises of a licensed processor, provided such licensee is participating
- 2 as an authorized licensee in the event; or
- 3 (vi) the cultivation and/or processing premises of a licensed microbusiness, provided such
- 4 licensee is participating as an authorized licensee in the event.
- 5 (c) Advertising, Marketing, and Required Posting. All advertising and marketing for a cannabis
- 6 showcase event shall comply with the provisions of Parts 128 and 129 of this Chapter.
- 7 (1) The permittee shall post, visible to consumers, the cannabis showcase event permit in
- 8 a conspicuous location on the premises of the cannabis showcase event area during the approved
- 9 hours of operation.
- 10 (2) The permittee and any authorized licensees shall post, visible to consumers, any and all
- signs or posted placards required by the office, including posting of a copy of their adult-use
- cannabis license issued by the office pursuant to article 4 of the Cannabis Law, and allowable
- 13 possession and purchase limits, in a conspicuous location on the premises of the cannabis showcase
- event area during the approved hours of operation.
- 15 (d) Cannabis Showcase Event Sales Requirements and Authorizations.
- 16 (1) A cannabis showcase event shall only be conducted during the approved hours of
- 17 operation.
- 18 (2) Authorized licensees may display, in secure and locked cases, samples of each cannabis
- 19 product. Authorized employees may remove samples from the display case and provide it to the
- 20 cannabis consumer for inspection, provided the cannabis consumer may not consume or otherwise
- 21 use or remove such sample from the cannabis showcase event area.

(3) The permittee shall not allow any person under the age of 21 to enter or attend the cannabis showcase event, including the event sales area. The permittee shall utilize identification and age verification for persons entering an event sales area.

- (4) Cannabis products shall only be sold by authorized employees of the permittee who shall be 21 years of age or older.
- (5) Employees shall verify the identification and age of all cannabis consumers as provided for in subdivision (d) of section 123.10 of this Chapter.
- (6) The prices of all items for sale must be clearly designated, and the permittee shall provide the price of all items to consumers. Any items on display for sale at a cannabis showcase event must display a price tag, sign, or placard stating the item's price and total cost to the consumer, including taxes.
- (7) Under no circumstances shall permittees or authorized licensees be authorized to give away any adult-use cannabis products to any licensee, person or entity.
- (8) Under no circumstances shall permittees or authorized licensees participating in a cannabis showcase event accept as a form of payment or remuneration for any sale federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Electronic Benefit Card (EBT) payment or Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) EBT payment.
- (9) Permittees or authorized licensees participating in a cannabis showcase event located at a farmers' market or public market shall be prohibited from participating in the Department of Agriculture and Markets' Farmers' Market Nutrition Program and receiving any such benefits entitled thereto, in relation to approved inventory for sale, pursuant to subdivision (h) of this section.
- 23 (e) Sales and Inventory Reporting. A permittee that conducts a cannabis showcase event shall:

- 1 (1) comply with all cannabis product sales transactions requirements of their license 2 pursuant to subdivision (f) of section 123.10 of this Chapter;
- (2) submit sales and inventory reports to the office in a form and manner as determined by
   the office; and
- 5 (3) comply with all requirements of article 20-C of the Tax Law.
- 6 (f) Staffing.

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- 7 (1) Authorized employees of permittees and authorized licensees must be at least 21 years 8 of age or older.
- 9 (2) The lead contact and employee in charge of sales may be the same person.
- 10 (3) The permittee, through its lead contact, shall be responsible for ensuring that:
  - (i) the cannabis showcase event sales area is secure at all times throughout the entirety of the authorized permit time; and
  - (ii) entry to the cannabis showcase event sales area is limited to individuals 21 years of age or older during operating hours.
    - (4) The permittee, through its employee in charge of sales, shall be responsible for:
  - (i) supervising the cannabis showcase event sales area, including ensuring no person under the age of 21 or any visibly intoxicated person purchases adult-use cannabis products; and
  - (ii) making certain public health and other educational materials provided or required by the office is available in the cannabis showcase event sales area.
  - (5) All authorized employees participating in a cannabis showcase event shall be employed by the permittee or licensee.
- 22 (i) Persons contracted with a permittee or licensee are permitted to participate in an event 23 pursuant to section 124.5 of this Chapter.

(1) The permittee may offer the following items for retail sale at a cannabis showcase event: 2 3 (i) adult-use cannabis products; (ii) adult-use cannabis clones, seedlings, immature cannabis plants, cloned propagation 4 material, or tissue culture for personal home cultivation purposes pursuant to Part 115 of this 5 6 Chapter, provided that: the permittee is an adult-use cannabis retailer authorized by the office to sell cannabis clones, seedlings, immature cannabis plants, cloned propagation material, or tissue 7 8 culture, to consumers for personal home cultivation; and the permittee possesses a Nursery Dealer 9 Certificate of Registration from the Department of Agriculture and Markets Division of Plant Industry; 10 (iii) cannabinoid hemp products, provided that the permittee has a cannabinoid hemp retail 11 license or cannabinoid hemp temporary retail permit to sell such products; 12 (iv) cannabis merchandise, including cannabis merchandise containing the permittee's 13 14 brand; (v) cannabis paraphernalia; and 15 (vi) other items as approved by the office. 16 17 (2) Authorized licensees may offer the following items at a cannabis showcase event for retail sale: 18 19 (i) cannabis merchandise, including cannabis merchandise containing the authorized 20 licensee's brand; (ii) cannabis paraphernalia; and 21 22 (iii) other items as approved by the office.

(g) Approved Inventory for Sale by Permittees and Authorized Licensees.

(3) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subdivision, permittees and authorized 1 licensees may not offer for sale or provide the following items at a cannabis showcase event: 2 3 (i) tobacco or products which contain tobacco or nicotine; (ii) alcohol or alcoholic beverages, as defined in section 3 of the Alcoholic Beverage 4 Control Law; 5 6 (iii) any items that are commonly associated with or marketed in a manner so as to be 7 attractive to persons under the age of 21 including, but not limited to, candy, toys, and games; 8 (iv) apparel or merchandise, including jewelry or other accessories, that reference another 9 brand or brands other than the permittee's and the authorized licensee's; and (v) other items disapproved by the office. 10 (4) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subdivision, permittees and authorized 11 licensees may not offer for sale or remuneration to consumers at a cannabis showcase event any 12 adult-use cannabis product sample. 13 14 (5) The permittee shall acquire adult-use cannabis products for consumer sale at a cannabis showcase event from any licensee authorized for the distribution of such cannabis products and 15 the permittee shall obtain the cannabis products at the licensed premises of such permittee. 16 17 (h) Approved Showcase Items. (1) A permittee or authorized licensees may showcase the following at a cannabis showcase 18 19 event: 20 (i) adult-use cannabis products; (ii) adult-use cannabis clones, seedlings, immature cannabis plants, cloned propagation 21

material, or tissue culture for personal home cultivation purposes pursuant to Part 115 of this

Chapter, provided that: the permittee showcasing is an adult-use cannabis retailer authorized by

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- 1 the office to sell cannabis clones, seedlings, immature cannabis plants, cloned propagation
- 2 material, or tissue culture, to consumers for personal home cultivation; and that such adult-use
- 3 cannabis retailer possesses a Nursery Dealer Certificate of Registration from the Department of
- 4 Agriculture and Markets Division of Plant Industry;
- 5 (iii) cannabinoid hemp products, provided that the permittee or authorized licensee has
- 6 been granted a cannabinoid hemp retail license, cannabinoid hemp temporary retail permit,
- 7 cannabinoid hemp farm processor license, or cannabinoid hemp processor license, as applicable
- 8 to sell such products;
- 9 (iv) cannabis merchandise, including cannabis merchandise containing the permittee's or
- authorized licensee's brand, where applicable;
- (v) cannabis paraphernalia; and
- 12 (vi) other items as approved by the office.
- 13 (2) A permittees or authorized licensee may not showcase the following at a cannabis
- showcase event:
- 15 (i) tobacco or products which contain tobacco or nicotine;
- 16 (ii) alcohol or alcoholic beverages, as defined in section 3 of the Alcoholic Beverage
- 17 Control Law;
- 18 (iii) any items that are commonly associated with or marketed in a manner so as to be
- attractive to persons under the age of 21 including, but not limited to, candy, toys, and games;
- 20 (iv) apparel or merchandise, including jewelry or other accessories, that reference another
- brand or brands other than the permittee's and the authorized licensee's particular brand; and
- (v) other items disapproved by the office.
- 23 (i) Storage and Security.

(1) The permittee shall ensure the cannabis showcase event sales area and the event area remain secure from theft, unauthorized intrusion, and vandalism throughout the entirety of the authorized permit time. Permittees may hire private security personnel to assist in securing the event sales area and event area.

- (2) The permittee shall prohibit consumers from having direct access to cannabis products while within the cannabis showcase event area unless they are inspecting samples with the assistance of authorized employees of the permittee and authorized licensees, if applicable. Cannabis products may be displayed or showcased to consumers only if they are locked behind a counter or other barrier.
- (3) Authorized licensees may utilize product displays or other branded elements to advertise the product within such locked counters or barriers. However, such product displays or other branded elements must comply with the restrictions on marketing and advertising in Parts 128 and 129 of this Chapter.
- (4) Products not intended for display must be secured in an area that is only accessible to authorized employees, not visible to consumers and is suitable to the product being stored.
- (5) Cash must be kept locked and secure. No cash shall be left unattended or overnight at a cannabis showcase event.
- (j) Permittees and authorized licensees may, in addition to selling and showcasing cannabis and cannabis products at a cannabis showcase event, and dependent on the scope of their license, demonstrate and exhibit:
  - (1) presentations related to the licensed cultivation of cannabis;
- (2) presentations related to the licensed processing of cannabis;

- (3) instructional presentations related to the personal cultivation of cannabis, pursuant to Part 115 of this Chapter, provided, however, such presentations shall only utilize immature cannabis plants, and such plants shall not be planted on-site of the event for cultivation purposes; provided, however, such cultivation may be authorized if the event location site is a licensed cultivation premises and the persons performing such demonstration or cultivation are the licensed cultivator or the employees of a licensed cultivator authorized licensee listed on the permittee's application for such event;
- (4) instructional presentations related to the production and creation of cannabis flower products, provided however, such products may not be consumed, sold, or given away at such event by or to any person;
- (5) instructional presentations related to the infusion of cannabis into food, beverages, or other consumables, provided, however, such cannabis-infused items may not be consumed, sold, or given away at such event by or to any person; and
- (6) any other similar educational activities which the office may authorize on the permittee's application.
- (k) Cleaning, Sanitization, and Cannabis Disposal.

- (1) The permittee and the authorized licensee, where applicable, are responsible for the upkeep and maintenance of all facilities, containers, tools, contact surfaces, and equipment used during the event in the sale, showcasing, and presentation of cannabis products.
- (2) Cleaning and sanitizing shall be performed as frequently as necessary to maintain all facilities, areas, containers, tools, contact surfaces, and equipment in a clean and sanitary condition using a sanitizing agent registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with labeled instructions.

- (3) The permittee and authorized licensees are required to comply with the standard
   cannabis waste and disposal rules set forth in section 125.11 of this Chapter.
   (1) Incident Reporting.
   (1) The permittee shall notify the office in a manner prescribed by the office, of any breach
  - of security or other incident within 24 hours of the discovery of the security breach or incident.
  - (2) Notification to the office shall be provided for the following incidents:
- 7 (i) discovery of cannabis inventory discrepancies;

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- 8 (ii) diversion, theft, or loss of any cannabis or cannabis product;
- 9 (iii) any criminal action involving or occurring on or in cannabis showcase event area;
- 10 (iv) any suspicious act involving the showcasing or sale of cannabis or cannabis products
  11 by any person or entity;
- 12 (v) unauthorized destruction of cannabis or cannabis products;
- 13 (vi) any loss or unauthorized alteration of records related to cannabis or cannabis products;
- 14 (vii) any incident that requires response by public safety personnel, including, but not
  15 limited to: law enforcement, fire department, emergency medical services, public works or
  16 municipal sanitation departments, municipal inspection services departments, or security staff
  17 privately engaged by the permittee;
  - (viii) a motor vehicle crash that occurs while transporting or delivering cannabis products to and/or from a cannabis showcase event that would require the filing of an accident report with the Department of Motor Vehicles;
  - (ix) any other breach of security; and
- 22 (x) any other incident that may compromise public health and/or safety including the health 23 and safety of the workforce at the cannabis showcase event.

- 1 (3) The permittee shall, within 10 calendar days of any incident in paragraph (1) of this 2 subdivision, submit an incident report in a form and manner determined by the office which details 3 the circumstances of the incident, any corrective action taken, and confirmation that the 4 appropriate authorities were notified.
- (4) All documentation related to such an incident shall be maintained by the permittee for not less than five years or the duration of an open investigation into such incident, whichever is longer, and made available to the office and appropriate authorities upon request.

#### § 117.4 Cannabis Showcase Event Permit Limitations.

- 9 (a) A permittee shall not allow the on-site consumption of cannabis and cannabis products in a
- 10 cannabis showcase event area by any person, including the combustion, consumption, application,
- or any other kind of ingestion of cannabis and cannabis products, including by permittees,
- authorized licensees, vendors, and their staff.

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- 13 (b) The permittee shall post, visible to consumers, conspicuous signage in the sales area stating:
- 14 "ON-SITE CONSUMPTION OF CANNABIS PRODUCTS IS PROHIBITED". The permittee
- shall also post such signage throughout the event area.
- 16 (c) A cannabis showcase event permit shall not be required in the following circumstances:
- 17 (1) a function such as a cannabis trade show, conference, industry networking event, or 18 exhibition where there are no cannabis or cannabis product sales either direct or indirect or 19 giveaways taking place; or
- 20 (2) a function where such licensees, persons, and entities may submit a request to the office 21 for review of such function's parameters and operations.

#### § 117.5 Cannabis Showcase Event Vendors.

- 1 (a) A permittee may contract with vendors to sell and serve food and non-alcoholic beverages at a
- 2 cannabis showcase event to consumers attending such event, provided, however, that the permittee
- 3 shall require such vendors to hold an active temporary food service permit to operate from the
- 4 appropriate health authority within this State, or a license issued by the Department of Agriculture
- 5 and Markets, pursuant to article 20-C of the Agriculture and Markets Law. The permittee shall
- 6 require food vendors to comply with the requirements of title 8 of article 13 of the Public Health
- 7 Law and article 20-C of the Agriculture and Markets Law, as applicable, and any rules and
- 8 regulations promulgated thereto.
- 9 (b) A permittee may contract with musical acts, musicians, or disc jockeys to play music at a pop-
- 10 up cannabis showcase event. Recorded music may also be played by the permittee or authorized
- 11 licensees in partnership with the permittee.
- 12 (c) A permittee may contract with vendors to demonstrate and/or perform educational
- demonstrations and exhibitions, including, but not limited to:
- 14 (1) holistic lifestyle approaches, such as yoga, massage therapy, meditation, and skincare
- services. The permittee shall require that a vendor contracted to perform such holistic lifestyle
- demonstrations or exhibitions be licensed or registered, if applicable, with the appropriate New
- 17 York State agency;
  - (2) arts and crafts demonstrations and activities, such as painting, pottery, fiber arts, and
- 19 paper crafts;

- 20 (3) culinary demonstrations which include food, non-alcoholic beverages, or other
- 21 consumables;
- 22 (4) book or literary presentations or exhibitions; and
- 23 (5) theatrical presentations or exhibitions.

- 1 (d) The permittee shall require that all food vendors and their employees or staff participating in
- 2 or working at a cannabis showcase event must be 21 years of age or older.
- 3 (e) The permittee shall require all vendors to obtain any other business permits or licenses required
- 4 by the local municipality the event is located in, unless such permits or licenses are otherwise
- 5 arranged by the permittee.
- 6 (f) The permittee shall not allow a vendor to:
- 7 (i) engage in direct or indirect cannabis retail sales;
- 8 (ii) infuse cannabis or phytocannabinoids into any food, beverages, other consumables, or
- 9 topicals, and sell, serve, or apply such items for consumption or use;
- 10 (iii) sell any tobacco product or product which contains tobacco or nicotine;
- 11 (iv) sell or serve alcohol or alcoholic beverages, as defined in section 3 of the Alcoholic
- 12 Beverage Control Law;
- 13 (v) participate in or authorize any conduct prohibited by subdivisions 6, 6-b, 6-c, or 7 of
- section 106 of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law; and
- 15 (vi) any other activities disapproved by the office.
- 16 (g) The permittee shall keep a record of any agreements or contracts entered with any vendors for
- a cannabis showcase event, including copies of any local permits or authorizations such permittee
- may have obtained for such vendors under subdivision (e) of this section, for a period of five years
- and make it available for inspection by the office upon request.

#### § 117.6 Severability.

- If any provision of this Part or its application to any particular person or circumstance is
- held invalid, the remainder of this Part and its application to other persons and circumstances
- shall not be affected thereby.



October 20, 2025

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: 20 Berry Street

Evergreen is a membership organization that champions manufacturing, creative production, and industrial service businesses in North Brooklyn and beyond. We connect businesses with resources and opportunities to help create and maintain high quality jobs at all skill levels. In 2024, Evergreen served over 200 businesses in a variety of ways; including helping link them with financing and employees, and assisting them with City and State incentive programs.

The Evergreen team has been communicating with the development team about their plans for 20 Berry. Per the IBIA application, it is clear that there will be .8 FAR reserved specifically for manufacturers. Additionally, this space will have access to freight elevators and loading zones appropriate for manufacturers. Further, through the IBIA designation, the applicant agrees to ongoing monitoring of the manufacturing portion of the development.

Evergreen supports this application as it will create high quality industrial space with no net loss of industrial real estate in the Greenpoint Williamsburg Industrial Business Zone. Additionally, our organization has had a longstanding relationship with the developer Hadi Hajjar and his distribution company Mirtex. He has committed to work with Evergreen to find appropriate tenants for the industrial portion of the building.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly at larchibald@evergreenexchange.org.

Sincerely,

Leah Archibald, Executive Director, Evergreen



#### Statement On NYC DCP's Industrial Plan

Evergreen is a passionate champion for the industrial and manufacturing community. We advocate, guide, and serve. Our work anchors businesses so that employers, their workers, and the city can thrive. On behalf of our organization and the North Brooklyn community we have served for over 40 years, we express our strong opposition to key elements of the Industrial Plan in its current form. If the plan is not revised, NYC risks destabilizing the very businesses and jobs it was meant to support—particularly in North Brooklyn, where we have 47,900 direct, indirect, and induced jobs and \$15 billion total in economic activity flowing from industrial businesses.

The plan fails to meet the intent of the legislation that called for it: to support and grow the industrial sector. Though it contains 72 recommendations, it provides no clear data on how these actions would affect job creation, business retention, or the amount of land available for industrial use. Instead, the plan gives the impression that the Department of City Planning (DCP) is using this process to advance unrelated development goals—at the expense of working-class jobs.

The draft plan has already sparked speculation. The proposed maps published on the NYC DCP website omit protections for large portions of industrial land, signaling to the market that rezonings are imminent. This encourages vacancy and displacement, just as we witnessed in the lead up to the 2005 Greenpoint–Williamsburg rezoning, when industrial tenants were pushed out in anticipation of redevelopment.

By proposing mixed-use zoning in unprotected industrial areas, the plan creates a blueprint for gentrification. Such actions would drive out industrial employers and erase accessible, family-sustaining jobs. The resulting housing would not be affordable to the very residents whose livelihoods are being displaced.

DCP's claim that Industrial Business Zones (IBZs) are merely tax policy instruments ignores two decades of proven success in stabilizing industrial neighborhoods and curbing speculation. The longstanding commitment to refrain from residential rezonings within IBZs has been vital to protecting good jobs, maintaining essential services to a functioning city, and preserving a balanced economy.

Evergreen is particularly alarmed that large portions of the North Brooklyn and Greenpoint-Williamsburg IBZs—including the most job-rich industrial corridors—have been excluded from "primary" and "secondary" industrial designations. Businesses in these areas have made substantial investments in their facilities, supported by both private capital and public funds. Those investments—and the jobs they sustain—are now at risk. Four of Evergreen's five industrial properties fall outside the proposed protection zones, jeopardizing our tenants and undermining public investments in affordable industrial space.

We call on the City to withdraw the draft maps and revise the Industrial Plan to restore full protections for New York City's Industrial Business Zones and to reaffirm its commitment to sustaining and growing the good-paying, accessible jobs that keep this city working.

New York City cannot build a strong, equitable and resilient economy by undermining the very businesses that make it run.

#### Evergreen's Recommendations for Strengthening the Industrial Plan

### 1. Reaffirm the value of Industrial Business Zones (IBZs).

The City must acknowledge the IBZ program's proven success in preserving good jobs and industrial stability. Geographic designations for industrial uses must be retained and strengthened—not diluted or replaced. IBZs have anchored New York's working industrial neighborhoods for nearly two decades, and any credible industrial plan must build on that foundation. The commitment for no residential rezonings should continue.

### 2. Remove draft maps from all City websites immediately.

The publication of incomplete or misleading maps is already fueling real estate speculation in active industrial areas. To prevent further harm, DCP should remove these draft materials at once and commit to sharing updated maps only after meaningful stakeholder engagement and final adoption.

### 3. Eliminate references to mixed-use (MX) zoning in IBZs and Ombudsman Areas.

MX zoning has repeatedly proven incompatible with industrial retention. It invites speculative activity, raises land values, and pushes out the very employers the City seeks to protect. In keeping with 20 years of policy precedent, Evergreen urges the City to clearly prohibit MX zoning within IBZ boundaries.

### 4. Adopt Evergreen's proposed map for the North Brooklyn IBZ.

Evergreen's Brownfield Opportunity Area study, informed by extensive local engagement, outlined a clear vision for the North Brooklyn IBZ. Drawing from that work and additional feedback from this planning process, we have developed preferred maps. We recommend that the North Brooklyn IBZ be classified only as Primary and Secondary Industrial Areas, with any future rezonings limited to M3A Core and M2A Transition districts. These districts best reflect the needs of active industrial businesses and provide clear guidance for sustainable growth in any future planning effort, including a potential relaunch of the North Brooklyn Industrial + Innovation Plan.

## 5. Designate the Greenpoint–Williamsburg IBZ as a Secondary Industrial Area pending further study.

Speculation has already begun in this area, threatening what remains of its industrial base. While we recognize the zone's changing mix of uses, it continues to serve vital industrial functions. Evergreen is currently conducting research to analyze the area's history, current conditions, and future potential. This research will be completed in June 2026. Until then, Evergreen recommends designating the Greenpoint—

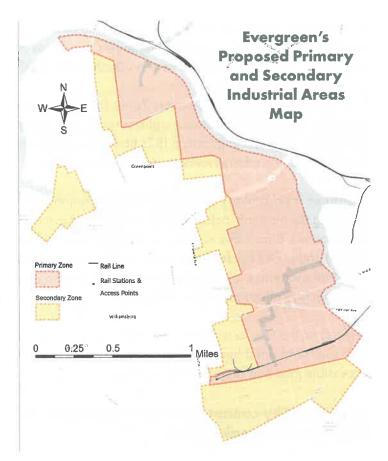
Williamsburg IBZ as a Secondary Industrial Area to prevent further destabilization.

#### 6. Set clear industrial growth targets.

An industrial plan without measurable job and business growth goals is a missed opportunity. North Brooklyn's industrial areas, defined as those in zip codes 11206, 11211, 11221, 11222, 11237, and 11249 currently support approximately 28,600 direct jobs and 19,300 indirect and induced jobs representing \$9.9 and \$5.1 billion dollars of economic output respectively - a total of 47,900 jobs and \$15 billion. It is worth highlighting that the multiplier effect for an industrial job in North Brooklyn is 0.68 - more than double the 0.3 rate for food service and retail. The City should commit to a positive overall industrial job growth rate over the next 8 years through targeted land use policy and investment to harness the powerful economic impacts of the sector.

#### 7. Pair land use protections with real investment.

Land use policy alone will not sustain New York City's industrial economy. The City must also increase funding for Industrial Business Service Providers (IBSPs) with stronger and more flexible contract terms. The IBZ tax credit should be expanded, incentive programs like ICAP, CEP, REAP, and more should be increased, and the Industrial Developer Fund should receive a new allocation to stimulate affordable industrial development. Together, these tools can drive the industrial growth the plan currently does not define.



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My name is Paul Minigiello, and I'm both a local resident and small business owner in Williamsburg. I live at Powers Street and own Strutting Mutts, located at 624 Grand Street.

I'm writing in support of the new restaurant applying for an alcohol license that's up for discussion at the upcoming CB1 hearing. As both a neighbor and local business owner, I believe new restaurants contribute positively to our community by bringing energy, jobs, and safe, well-run spaces for residents to gather.

Our neighborhood benefits when thoughtful, responsible businesses open their doors, and I trust that this applicant will add to the area's strong sense of community and local charm.

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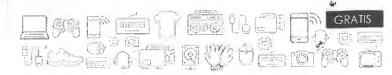












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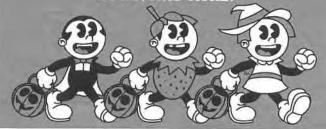
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