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Statement from the New York City Commission on Human Rights on the Rise of Antisemitism in New York City

Bias, discrimination, and hate have no place in New York City. The New York City Commission on Human Rights (CCHR) unequivocally condemns antisemitism levied against individuals and institutions.

The New York City Human Rights Law protects everyone from unlawful discrimination in housing, employment, and public accommodations. The New York City Commission on Human Rights is committed to enforcing that law for all New Yorkers and stands with the Jewish Community against acts of hate.

Last week, the Commission along with the Mayor's Office for the Prevention of Hate Crimes awarded 12 grants for \$10,000 each to grassroots organizations fighting hate and addressing community safety at the local level, including an initiative that amplifies the testimony of Holocaust survivors to educate the public and fight antisemitism.

Alongside vigorous enforcement actions, the Commission has expanded its education efforts through *Understanding Jewish Experiences and Antisemitism*, a training developed with the Wagner College Holocaust Center and launched in 2023 to promote understanding of the City's diverse Jewish communities, identify the types of bias and discrimination experienced by Jewish people today, and talk about the ways the New York City Human Rights Law protects Jewish New Yorkers from discrimination. We are proud that these efforts were recognized by the Biden administration as an effective model for building intergroup relations and fostering awareness around harassment, bias, and hate.

The Commission is proud to be part of a citywide effort to tackle bias and hate. We collaborate directly with Jewish communities and city agencies, including the Office to Prevent Hate Crimes (OPHC) and the Mayor's Office to Combat AntiSemitism. Taken together, these collaborations ensure that New Yorkers know their rights and can access remedies when they experience bias, discrimination, or harassment. Fiscal Year 2025 marked the third year that CCHR and OPHC collaborated to fund grassroots projects to support communities in collective efforts to abate hate. The Commission is also a member of the State's Bias Regional Council and also collaborates with the Hate Crimes Task Forces across all five boroughs.



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Everyone deserves to live, work, and thrive with dignity in New York City. We encourage anyone who experiences or witnesses discrimination to contact the Commission.