

The goal of this project is to conduct early outreach to high school students so that they are supported in the post-secondary school application process. DHS streamlines access to college preparation resources through partnerships with the Department of Education (DOE), the City University of New York (CUNY), the State University of New York (SUNY), the New York Public Library (NYPL), among other community partners.





# CONTACT THE COLLEGE PREP PROJECT:

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The New York City Department of Homeless Services is committed to the educational success of students in shelter. The College Prep Project was created to provide students with the tools they need to graduate high school, apply to college, and succeed once they matriculate on campus.



### **PAST WORKSHOPS**

- CUNY Information Session
- SUNY Information Session
- Exploring Financial Aid Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Workshop facilitated by FAFSA experts
- Internships and Job Opportunities to Supplement College Expenses
- College Application Writing Workshop

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Find out about all upcoming workshops and events at www.nyc.gov/DHSCollegePrep

If you would like to receive reminders directly, please sign up by emailing our team at: www.nyc.gov/DHSCollegePrep

\* You must RSVP in advance for all events that you will attend.



## **QUICK TIPS**

- Attend all DHS college prep workshops for individualized attention and guidance.
- Ask your guidance counselor or college advisor about college application fee waivers. Some waivers are limited and are available on a firstcome, first-served basis. However, CUNY offers fee waivers to all eligible low-income students, which you can get from your college counselors or college advisors.
- Start your college applications early. You will need to have time to complete the application, write essays (where applicable), and ask for letters of recommendation.
- Compile necessary documents (such as tax returns, budget letters) for the FASFA application.
- Attend information sessions, college fairs, and campus visits to learn more about the options available.

# **IF YOU NEED SUPPORT**

- Visit your counselor's office and discuss your needs
- Reach out to your DOE-STH Family Assistant (for contact information, please see your case manager).
- Consult one of the DHS College Prep staff members.



#### FUTURE LEADERS GRADUATION CEREMONY

Each year, DHS celebrates graduating high school seniors who are college-bound. DHS College Prep participants who provide proof of college admissions by early June will receive a free laptop and be invited to the annual Future Leaders graduation ceremony.