

COMMISSIONER'S MESSAGE

This Black History Month, we honored the profound impact Black individuals have made in shaping our communities, culture, and nation. It was a moment to reflect on the resilience and strength that continue to inspire progress.

As we celebrate achievements from civil rights and beyond, we reaffirm our commitment to justice and equal opportunity for all.

Let this month inspire us to keep working toward a united, compassionate society, recognizing that Black history is, indeed, American history.

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CLOSING THE GENDER WEALTH GAP FORUM

NYC Her Future Executive Director, Nathifa Forde, moderated Women's Way latest panel to explore what true economic stability looks like—freedom from exploitative debt, access to fair jobs, and a supportive social safety net.

Panelists from Debt Collective, First Up, and the Women's Law Project shared innovative strategies to promote economic stability and opportunity for all.

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CELEBRATING EQUITY IN ACTION: BLACK HISTORY MONTH EDITION





NYC Chief Equity Officer and NYC Mayor's Office of Equity & Racial Justice Commissioner Sideya Sherman delivered remarks at the NYC ACS African American Heritage Committee's Black History Month event. This joyous event brought staff together to celebrate the countless contributions of African Americans that shaped the very foundation of America. The conversation was insightful and offered valuable perspectives on the enduring impact of the African American community.

The Commission on Gender Equity (CGE) kicked off its first Lunch & Learn of the year with Epiphanny Prince, Director of Player Relations & Community Engagement for the New York Liberty.

The discussion centered on pay equity in professional basketball, the recent growth of the sport, and what these developments mean for its future.



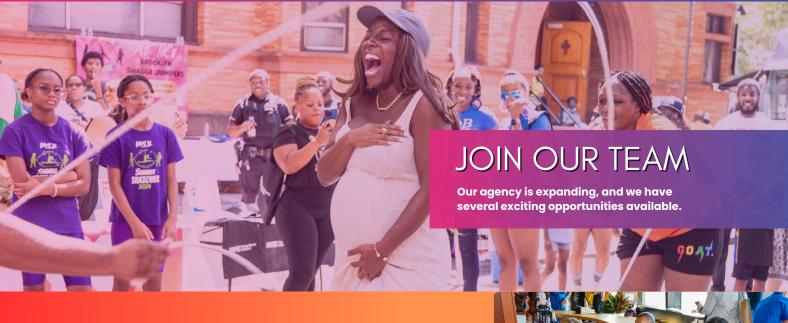


During the New York State Association of Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic, and Asian Legislators conference weekend, Natalia Diaz, Chief of Staff for NYC Her Future, moderated a panel with women leaders from healthcare, technology, and government.

The discussion centered on their leadership journeys and how they can inspire the next generation.







NYC Her Future Senior Advisor

Lead program strategy, policy research, stakeholder engagement, resource management, and reporting.

Director of Fiscal Operations

Help manage MOERJ's budget and play a key role in developing new policies and procedures.

Administrative Manager

Shape and establish new administrative processes and practices.

Communications Director

Help lead internal & external agency communications.









EQUITY IN ACTION



YMI Executive Director. James Stratford, delivered remarks at NYC Men Teach Day at CUNY Medgar Evers College.

NYC Men Teach is dedicated to supporting the next generation of educators by diversifying the teaching profession.

This program is helping to shape future educators, while ensuring that students have role models who share their experiences and backgrounds.







NYC Chief Equity Officer and NYC Mayor's Office of Equity & Racial Justice Commissioner Sideya Sherman recently joined our partners at NYC Kids Rise and NYC Public Schools to celebrate a major milestone!

Over 282,000 public school students now have Save for College accounts, with more than \$42 million invested toward their future college and career education.







The NYC Commission on Gender Equity (CGE) connected New Yorkers to resources on economic mobility, health, reproductive justice, and safety.

Recent events have fostered dialogue and strengthened partnerships to ensure all New Yorkers, regardless of gender identity, have access to opportunities and support.

Stay tuned for more ways to get involved in creating a more equitable city!





