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NYC CoC Newsletter

What's on Deck



2025 CoC Program NOFO - Next Steps

On December 8th, HUD officially withdrew the 2025 CoC Program NOFO. While this withdrawal gives us a moment to pause and reassess, we do not want to lose momentum in planning for how the NYC CoC can position itself to submit the strongest possible application once the revised NOFO is released. Please review the updated guidance and resources below.

Renewal Projects

Stay Informed

To ensure you are staying up to date, please sign up for following mailing lists:

- [NAEH Mailing List](#)
- [NLIHC](#)
- [SHNNY's Newsletter](#)

Resources

NOFO 2025 Do's and Don'ts Factsheet

[View the Alliance's fact sheet](#) developed for [The SYSTEM](#) (Strengthening Your System to Energize Momentum) Series.

Mental Health Resource Tool Kit

- When HUD issues a new NOFO, the NYC CoC will release an updated Intent to Renew survey to reconfirm each project's interest in participating.
- Our immediate focus will shift toward existing CoC-funded projects with contract end dates in Quarter 1 of 2026 (January–March).
- We encourage all renewal projects to continue internal contingency planning.

New Projects (including transition projects)

- The NYC CoC has confirmed receipt of all submitted new project applications and will begin reviewing and providing feedback in the coming weeks.
- If you are still working on a new project application, you now have until Tuesday, January 6th. However, we recommend submitting as early as possible to allow time for full review and substantive feedback. Extensions will be considered upon request.
- Once HUD issues a revised NOFO, the NYC CoC will share updated guidance on how applicants can strengthen their proposals in alignment with any new priorities.

General Resources:

- [NYC CoC 2025 NOFO Webpage](#)
- [NAEH – Guide to Communicating with Tenants](#)
- [The Network's Newsfeed](#)

For questions regarding the 2025 NOFO contact us at nyc.coc@dss.nyc.gov

Please use subject line: 2025 NOFO - [your organization's name] - [new\renewal project]

The NYC CoC is excited to share the [Tool Kit: Companion to Your Recovery, a resource guide for outpatient mental health resources](#) compiled by the Patient-Family Advisory Council (PFAC) of the Payne Whitney Clinic of New York-Presbyterian Hospital (NYP). The PFAC consists of patients, family members, staff, and faculty of Payne Whitney, the psychiatric department of NYP.

The Tool Kit is a comprehensive directory of resources and information that anyone recovering from a mental illness can utilize. It originated due to the perceived lack of outpatient resources for patients facing mental health challenges.

We hope you will share the Tool Kit with program staff and participants in your agency! For more information, please email chw9025@nyp.org.

[Click here to view the Toolkit!](#)

New York Public Library Adult English Literacy & Learning

The New York Public Library is here to help your program



Call to action: Volunteer for the HOPE 2026!

On the night of **Tuesday, January 27th, 2026**, the NYC Department of Social Services will conduct the 21st annual Homeless Outreach Population Estimate (HOPE) Survey – and **NYC needs your help**.

To learn more about HOPE and register to volunteer, please visit [NYC HOPE – Homeless Outreach Population Estimate](#)

Annual Homeless Persons' Memorial Day Observance

Urban Pathways and Care for the Homeless will host their annual Homeless Persons' Memorial Day observance on Thursday, December 18th, which commemorates our neighbors that were lost this year while unstably housed or due to the stressors of homelessness.

Date: Wednesday, December 18th

Time: Meal at 4:30pm, Program at 5:30pm

Location: Congregation Rodeph Sholom, Schafler Forum- 7 W. 83rd Street

[Click here to RSVP!](#)

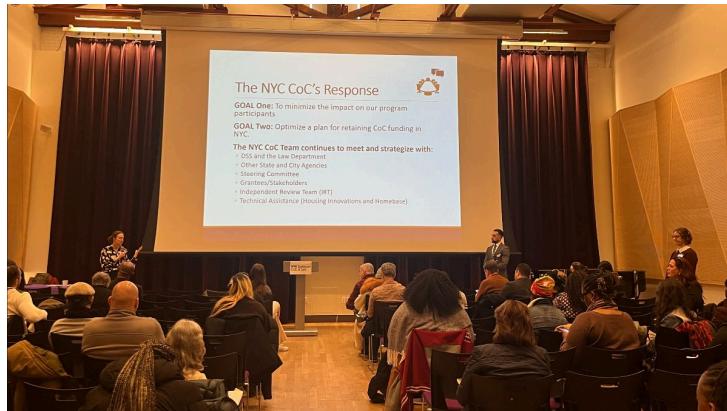
participants improve their writing, reading, speaking, and listening skills in English. Whether they are starting to learn the language, getting better, or are already advanced, they can sign up for online or in-person classes offered at libraries across the Bronx, Manhattan, and Staten Island – all free! For more information, visit nypl.org/english.

For a copy of the flyer in other languages, contact Genesis Ledesma at genesisledesma@nypl.org"

New Yorkers with SNAP benefits offered free Museum of Natural History membership

The American Museum of Natural History is offering free membership for New York residents enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Once signed up for the Discoverer program, SNAP recipients can start using their membership that same day and will receive a digital membership card and be able to reserve advance tickets on the museum's website.

In Case You Missed It



NYC CoC December Public Meeting Recap

Thank you for joining us at the December public meeting! Below, you will find the slide deck from the meeting. If you have any questions or ideas for future public meetings, please don't hesitate to reach out at nyc.coc@dss.nyc.gov.

[Click here to download the presentation!](#)

Homebase: Applications are now open for a National Lived Experience Leadership and Advocacy Board!

[Destination: Home](#) is seeking to partner with individuals from across the United States who have current or former lived experience of homelessness to form a National Lived Experience Leadership and Advocacy Board (LEAB). This is

[Click here to learn more!](#)

Met Council Food Assistance

List of pantries that have availability for new clients.
[Click here to view the list!](#)

How to sign up for MET Councils digital pantries only.
[Click here to learn how!](#)

NYC Neighborhood Food Resource Guides

The Hunter College NYC Food Policy Center created NYC Neighborhood Food Resource Guides for each NYC neighborhood to help connect community members in need with food resources.

[Click here to find food resources in your community!](#)

Civil Eats

[What the Shutdown Revealed About Food and Agriculture Policy](#): Experts say the shutdown provided new insights into the administration's priorities on

an opportunity to apply to join the National Lived Experience Leadership and Advocacy Board (LEAB). Click the links below to learn more and to apply. The application is available in English, Spanish, and Vietnamese.

Deadline: December 19th, 2025

English - [Apply now](#)

Spanish - [Aplicar Ahora](#)

Vietnamese - [nộp đơn ngay bây giờ](#)

NAEH's New Analysis on State and Local Impacts of HUD's Housing Cuts

New street-level analysis from the Alliance suggests that at least 170,000 people nationwide are expected to lose their supportive housing because of HUD's sudden policy shifts.

[Click here to view the analysis!](#)

New CSH Report: Advancing a Qualified Workforce in Homeless Services through University-Based Training and Specialization

Across the country, communities face a critical shortage of qualified professionals to deliver essential homeless services. To meet this challenge and create clear pathways for career growth, CSH partnered with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) and local universities to propose a university-based certificate program that

food and agriculture.

[Click here to learn more!](#)

Food Policy Tracker

A source for news related to policies that have significant implications for the U.S. food system.

[Click here to learn more!](#)

NAEH's CEO Corner

Overview of Targeted & Mainstream Cuts Impacting Homelessness.

[Click here to view the analysis!](#)

Funding Opportunity

Stay tuned for upcoming funding opportunities.

Events

NLIHC's 2026 Housing Policy Forum will be held at the Washington Hilton on March 10-13 in Washington, D.C.

strengthens the talent pipeline.

[Click here to view the report!](#)

New York Launches New Affordability Initiatives

Governor Kathy Hochul recently highlighted new affordability initiatives that aim to providing relief to low-income and middle-income households across New York. One being the expansion of the child tax credit, hailed as the largest expansion of New York's child tax credit in state history

[Click here to learn more!](#)

CoC Spotlight



[Click here to register!](#)

Any event or news you want to share please reach out to the NYC CoC Team at nyc.coc@dss.nyc.gov

To view events happening at the CoC, see our [Calendar of Events!](#)

Job Opportunities

Volunteers of America-Greater New York is Hiring the Paloma Project

[Program Director](#)
[Case Manager](#)
[Housing Specialist](#)
[Administrative Assistant II](#)

New Job Opportunity with Citizens' Committee for Children of New York (CCC)
[Family Action Board Coordinator](#)

Met Council
[Domestic Violence Housing & OVS Specialist](#)

Join a Committee

The YAB Presents: In Our Own Image

On November 24th, 2025, the NYC Youth Action Board hosted their NYC YAB Presents: In Our Own Image, a Fashion Show and Artist Market. The event highlighted youth creativity through art, design, and self-expression. Not just a celebration of talent—it was a powerful event dedicated to destigmatizing how homelessness is viewed in our society. The YAB collaborated with Fashion Designers, Models, Visual Artists, and Vendors all who have experienced homelessness and/or housing instability.

[You can follow the work of the YAB here!](#)

[Click here to learn more about the YAB!](#)





CoC Holiday Recs

For information on where you can find free food from food pantries and soup kitchens, [click here!](#)

Holiday Events:

[Bank of America Winter Village at Bryant Park](#) is open through March 1, 2026. The holiday shops are open through Jan 4, 2026, and free outdoor ice skating is available if you bring your own skates.

[Lightscape at Brooklyn Botanic Garden's](#) evening light displays along winter trails, running Nov 21, 2025 – Jan 4, 2026.

[The Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree](#) is fully lit and on display now through mid-January 2026.

[Shine Bright at Hudson Yards](#) includes two million lights and decorated trees and is available now through Jan 7, 2026.

[Times Square Wishing Wall](#) offers individuals the opportunity to have their wishes included with the confetti that floats down at midnight in Times Square in celebration of the new year. The Wishing Wall closes December 25th.

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