Team DVS Wishes You and Yours a Happy Thanksgiving!

One Million Meals Distributed to Veterans, Service Members and Their Families



NEW YORK – Last Wednesday, November 16th, the Department of Veterans' Services, along with our partners at the New York Governor's Office, the NYS Division of Veterans' Services, the Campaign Against Hunger, Black Veterans for Social Justice, and Hello Fresh achieved a huge milestone of one million meals delivered to Veterans, Service Members, and their families. An initiative created to combat food insecurity that was further aggravated by the COVID-19 pandemic, and in support of the Nourish New York initiative, this multi-agency effort aims to reduce food insecurity and support food producers across New York.

Following the one million meal milestone, the Governor's office announced that HelloFresh agreed to fund the program through 2023. Governor Hochul lauded the effort saying, "We thank HelloFresh for this continuing partnership, which helps combat food insecurity and ensures those who served our great State and Nation are able to access fresh and healthy foods on a consistent basis."

Speaking on the achievement, New York City's Department of Veterans' Services Commissioner James Hendon said, "We at the Department of Veterans' Services are humbled by this one millionth meal milestone. It is further proof that when we work together as a community, we can create initiatives and build partnerships capable of tackling food insecurity for our Veterans and their families head on."

If you, a Veteran, a Service Member, or family member you know is struggling to find their next meal, please visit our <u>Food Assistance</u> page or contact our office via email at <u>connect@veterans.nyc.gov</u> so we can get you and your loved ones the help you deserve.

Housing Alert: Several Mitchell-Lama Housing Lotteries Now Open



Created in 1955, the Mitchell-Lama program provides affordable rental and cooperative housing to moderate- and middle-income families. Mitchell-Lama apartments are sold or rented through waiting lists maintained by each development.

The lottery begins when a development's advertisement is published online and in citywide newspapers. Prior to the lottery entry deadline stated in the advertisement, you can submit one household entry, either online or via mail, for the waiting list lottery you appear to qualify for.

Here's where being a Veteran helps you!

Once you receive your lottery number, an agent will begin the interview process where you need to disclose that you are a Veteran. After they verify your Veteran status, you are given preference, meaning you move to the top of the list for that housing opportunity. Once the wait list opens for the development you will be the next person in line to receive a residency offer! Below is the current list of lotteries:

Lindsay Park, Co-op: One-Bedroom

Address: 202 Union Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11211 Deadline: November 28th, 2022 Income Limits: \$29,636 - \$150,125 Purchase Price/Monthly Maintenance: \$7,410 - \$10,507 / \$741 - \$1,066 Submission: Online or Mail to -Lindsay Park One Bedroom Lottery P.O. Box 97 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

Login to Mitchell-Lama Connect and Apply Here!

Evergreen Gardens, Rental: One-Bedroom

Address: 900 Evergreen Ave. Bronx, NY 10473 Deadline: December 5th, 2022 Income Limits: \$31,742 - \$150,125 Monthly Rent: \$841 - \$914 Submission: Online or Mail to -Evergreen Gardens One Bedroom Lottery P.O. Box 185 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

Login to Mitchell-Lama Connect and Apply Here!

Riverbend, Co-op: Studio, Two- & Three-Bedroom Address: 2289 Fifth Ave. New York, NY 10037 Deadline: December 5th, 2022 Income Limits: *Studio:* \$29,440 - \$133,500 *Two-Bedroom:* \$44,600 - \$180,125 *Three-Bedroom:* \$59,520 - \$206,875

Purchase Price/Monthly Maintenance:

Studio: \$12,979 - \$14,687 / \$736 - \$788 *Two-Bedroom:* \$23,910 - \$33,815 / \$1,155 -\$1,353 *Three-Bedroom:* \$37,572 - \$40,646 / \$1,488 -\$1,622

Submission: Online or Mail to – Riverbend Housing Company, Inc. Studio Lottery P.O. Box 700 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

Riverbend Housing Company, Inc. Two Bedroom Lottery P.O. Box 757 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

Riverbend Housing Company, Inc. Three Bedroom Lottery P.O. Box 775 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

Login to Mitchell-Lama Connect and Apply Here!

Confucius Plaza, Coop: Three- & Four-Bedroom Address: 33 Bowery New York, NY 10002 Deadline: December 5th, 2022 Income Limits: *Three-Bedroom:* \$21,243 - \$206,875 *Four-Bedroom:* \$23,408 - \$220,125

Purchase Price/Monthly Maintenance:

Three-Bedroom: \$3,420 / \$531.09 - \$1,062 *Four-Bedroom:* \$3,990 / \$585.22 - \$1,170

Submission: Online or Mail to – Confucius Plaza Three Bedroom Lottery P.O. Box 261 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

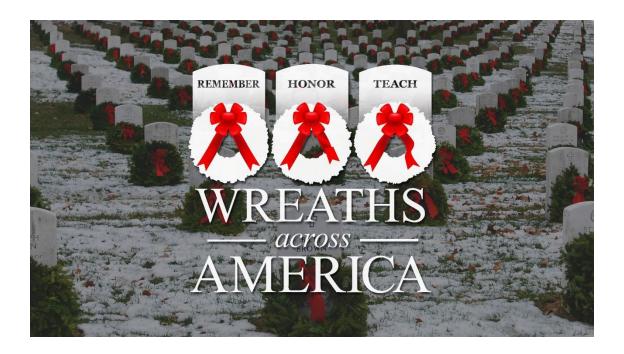
Confucius Plaza Four Bedroom Lottery P.O. Box 916 114 John St. New York, NY 10038

Login to Mitchell-Lama Connect and Apply Here!

Goodwill Terrace, Rental: Studio & One-Bedroom Address: 4-21 27th Ave. Astoria, NY 11102 Deadline: November 27th, 2022 Income Limits: Studio: \$84,040 - \$176,484 One Bedroom: \$90,080 - \$189,168 Monthly Rent: Studio: \$2,101 One Bedroom: \$2,252 Submission: Online Only

Login to Mitchell-Lama Connect and Apply Here!

Wreaths Across America: Cypress Hills National Cemetery (NYCHNB)



On **December 17, 2022 at 12:00 pm**, Wreaths Across America will be at <u>Cypress Hills National Cemetery</u> to Remember and Honor Veterans through the laying of Remembrance wreaths on the graves of our country's fallen heroes and the act of saying the name of each and every veteran aloud.

If you are interested in participating as a sponsor or would like to volunteer in the wreath laying ceremony at <u>Cypress Hills National Cemetery</u>, click on the "Sponsor a Wreath or Volunteer" button below or visit <u>Wreaths Across</u> <u>America</u> for more information about the mission.

What does it mean to sponsor a wreath? It means you'll honor an American hero at one of more than 2,800 locations nationwide this year on Wreaths Across America Day. Your sponsorship will ensure that a wreath is hand-crafted of all-American balsam and hand-tied with a red velvet bow here in Columbia Falls, Maine. It will then be sent to one of our participating locations, where a volunteer will place it on the marker of a fallen hero. That volunteer will then "say their name" to ensure that the legacy of duty, service and sacrifice of that veteran is never forgotten.

What does it mean to volunteer? It means you'll honor an American hero by placing a wreath on the marker of a fallen hero. You will then "say their name" to ensure that the legacy of duty, service and sacrifice of that veteran is never forgotten.

Sponsor a Wreath or Volunteer

Community Coat Donation, Canned Food Drive & Health Resource Fair

HEALTH+ HOSPITALS Jacobi North Central Bronx

Community Coat Donation, Canned Food Drive & Health Resource Fair

Wednesday, November 30 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM

NYC Health + Hospitals/North Central Bron 3424 Kossuth Avenue | Bronx, NY 10467 Room# 1718 - 17th Floor

INQUIRIES? Contact Cinthia Ramirez ramirezc16@nychhc.org

Donation Drop-off Location NYC Health + Hospitals/North Centra 3rd Floor 3H19

Please Donate 🌆

A New or Unused Coat or Gently Used Coat to Help the Less Fortunate to Keep Them Warm. <u>OR</u> Please help us by donating Canned Food and Non-Perishable Food Items to help benefit those in need.

Deadline to Drop-off Donations: Friday, November 25

RSVP to Attend Fair | Email: Titus Rawle:titusr@nychhc.org MetroPlusHealth

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Join Our Team! Be Part of the Mission!



Being part of our team is a great way to continue to serve. The <u>NYC</u> <u>Department of Veterans' Services (DVS)</u> empowers communities with Veteran talent, skills, and preparedness. Join us in serving again - your community.

See below for current job openings at DVS:

Current DVS Job Openings

Visit NYC.gov/jobs and select "Veterans' Services" from the agency menu to learn more about and apply to any of the jobs below:

Procurement Analyst

Burials Care Coordinator

NYC Civil Service Job Openings and Exams



You served your country. Now serve your city!

Do your part to keep the city running! The <u>NYC Department of Citywide</u> <u>Administrative Services (DCAS)</u> makes City government work for all New Yorkers.

There are many diverse career opportunities with NYC DCAS.

Veterans are no longer required to pay application fees for NYC Civil Service examinations.

See below for open competitive NYC Civil Service exam highlights:

Open Competitive Exams

Currently there are no listed civil service exams.

To receive monthly updates on upcoming civil service exams click the button below to be directed to the Subscribe to the DCAS Newsletter page. On the registration form, select "City Jobs and Civil Service Announcements".

Subscribe Here

VetConnectPro: A First-in-the-Nation Employment Tool



VetConnectPro, is a new employment tool designed to help Veterans find employment within NYC government. The platform features a military skills translator that can match your service experience and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) to City jobs and civil service exams. Upload your resume and get started today: nyc.gov/vetconnectpro.

Programs and Initiatives

Are You Getting the Benefits You Deserve?

The <u>NYC Department of Veterans'</u> <u>Services (DVS)</u> represents NYC Veterans in claims for benefits from the <u>U.S. Department of Veteran</u> <u>Affairs</u>. During a time of economic crisis and high unemployment, we want to ensure that all Veterans get the financial benefits they earned and deserve. To file a claim, fill out the <u>VetConnectNYC.org</u> form and select **Benefits Navigation** as your preferred service.

HELPING VETERANS FILE CLAIMS FOR VA BENEFITS

To request claims support, visit VetConnectNYC.org.



Benefits

Our Fight to End Veteran Homelessness



Over the past five years, our <u>Housing</u> <u>Support Services (HSS)</u> team has found homes for over 1,000 formerly unhoused Veterans. Click <u>here</u> to learn more about DVS's efforts to end chronic homelessness among Veterans in New York City.

VetBizNYC: Supporting Veteran Entrepreneurship

DVS has launched <u>VetBizNYC</u>, an interactive map that identifies Veteranowned businesses across the five boroughs. New Yorkers can use our interactive map to find and support Veteran-owned businesses in their community.



Veterans Voices Project: Changing the Narrative of Veterans



Administered by the <u>NYC Department</u> of Veterans' Services, the <u>Veteran</u> <u>Voices Project (VVP)</u> is an oral history initiative designed to preserve the stories of New York City's Veterans across all military branches and service areas. For more information, visit <u>nyc.gov/vetvoices</u>.

Contact Us

- Complete the services request form at <u>vetconnectnyc.org</u>
- Message the Commissioner
- Partner with DVS
- Press Inquiries

Stay tuned on our website <u>www.nyc.gov/vets</u> and social media platforms <u>@nycveterans</u>, or via email at <u>connect@veterans.nyc.gov</u>.