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Join us as we look back on the meaningful commemorations and recent updates from June.

## MESSAGE FROM COMMISSIONER SIDEYA SHERMAN

"Last week's Supreme Court decisions dealt a devastating blow to our country's progress in combating generations of discrimination and will have damning effects on Black, brown, LGBTQ+, and other historically excluded communities. There is no endpoint to the need for racial diversity in higher education and protecting the rights of those who are most marginalized. Now more than ever, we must continue the work to remedy past injustices and ensure equitable access, opportunity, and advancement for all."







## **CELEBRATING JUNETEENTH**

The NYC Mayor's Office of Equity celebrated Juneteenth by participating in events across the city centered around unity, justice, and the ongoing pursuit of equity. These remarkable events, helmed by dedicated community and borough leaders, paid homage to this holiday. <u>Watch the Juneteenth Flag Raising here.</u>

## NYC 2023 PRIDE

From Harlem, to Midtown, and then to Times Square with Playbill, the NYC Mayor's Office of Equity + the <u>NYC Unity Project</u> embraced the joyous spirit of Pride Month. Together we participated in parades, performances, marches, and rallies, where New Yorkers from every borough came together to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community.







## Moms & Dads Awards Gala

Commissioner Sideya Sherman spoke at the "DYCD Community Moms & Dads Awards Gala 2023," highlighting the NYC <u>Young Men's Initiative</u>'s work in building community relationships and supporting fathers through programs.



Commissioner for A Day

The NYC Mayor's Office of Equity participated in the "<u>Commissioner for A Day</u>" program, hosting a bright, young New Yorker. Excited to engage, these talented, young individuals received a close look at NYC government and how it functions.



Equity Roundtable

Commissioner Sideya Sherman and Policy Director Jimmy Pan from the NYC <u>Mayor's Office of Equity</u> joined a roundtable discussion hosted by the Institute on Race, Power, and Political Economy at The New School and The Brookings Institution.

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