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Dear Neighbors,

As we continue to wait for the final school re-zone plan for our district, I am deeply concerned about the need to integrate our schools to achieve quality education for all our children. You can read my op-ed on desegregation [in City & State New York](#).

I support the [CEC3 re-zone plan](#) and there are [two additional CEC public meetings](#) prior to their vote on November 9th.

Thank you to all those that attended my annual District Office Open House. It was a chance to speak with many of you and to celebrate our local business community. Along with CityArts, we did a ribbon cutting of the murals that hang in my office windows. I want to thank Allie Quan of LaGuardia High School for her violin performance that evening. It was a real treat!

Now, when you walk by my office, you can see murals celebrating local businesses painted by UWS high school students. Look closely at each mural and you will recognize features of specific local businesses. After their opening display at my office, many of the individual banners will hang in the storefronts of the actual local businesses that participated in the project. You can find (and take) a postcard featuring the collective works at our office or at the featured businesses. As we head into the holidays, I encourage you to shop local!



From left: Department of Consumer Affairs Commissioner Salas speaks with Cafe Tallulah owner Greg Hunt, LaGuardia Student and Violinist Allie Quan performs at the District Office Open House, Helen receives the Champion of Economic Equity Award from the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies, Ribbon Cutting for the CityArts installation celebrating UWS small business.

Last month the City Council held an oversight hearing that considered ideas around commercial zoning and incentive programs to support locally-owned, independent small businesses. We need to have better policies in place to help preserve the small businesses we treasure on the UWS and throughout the city. The overview included information about why the City is limited in how far it can go regulating building owners who rent space to retail shops. But we did hear some ideas to help business that included set asides for local business in development projects, restricting the warehousing of commercial space and big box stores in some areas, and incentivizing quick turn around on leases once a store has vacated.

Barbara Adler, Executive Director of the Columbus Avenue BID and I joined the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA), including Commissioner Lorelei Salas, visiting local business owners along Columbus. The DCA inspectors provided critical information about NYC regulations so the businesses would pass agency inspections. I will continue to hold focused small business clinics that can lend real-time, practical support to our businesses. Our city must create a healthy environment for small business to thrive. I look forward to working closely on this issue with my Council colleagues and citywide elected officials. Local independent business owners are critical to the long term health of this city and our neighborhood quality of life.

I was honored to receive the Champion of Economic Equity Award from the Federation of Protestant Welfare Agencies along with Harlem Congregations for Community Improvement, New York Therapeutic Communities, and Assembly Member Andrew Hevesi. The FPWA is one of New York's leading non-profit organizations working towards equal opportunity for all New Yorkers. I have worked closely with them to support the Worker Cooperative model to lift low income workers from dead-end jobs.

A few remaining October events I wanted to remind you about:

- **Teens Take the Met** - Free for Teens 13+ on Friday October 28, 5-8pm. Art-Making, Music, Performances, Dance Party, Gallery Activities - its a Great Night! Drop by-- no RSVP needed.
- **NYC Smoke-Free | Reality Check Student Kick-Off**
Saturday, October 29, 2016 FREE
10:30am to 4:00pm - **Lunch Provided! All High School Students Welcome!**
Location: The New School 63 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003
There are limited seats due to the large volume of students signing up; register now to secure your spot! Register Here: <http://www.nycsmokefree.org>
- **FREE E-Waste Recycling sponsored by my office and the Lower East Side Ecology Center on Sunday, October 30, 2016**, 10:00am to 4:00pm, Jewish Community Center, Amsterdam Avenue between 75th & 76th Streets.

Warmly,



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October Events Calendar from

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Events Calendar

November 2016

Dear Neighbors,

Boo! Tonight is Halloween, NYPD recommends several [safety tips](#)

It is critical that we all exercise our right to vote. Election Day is, at long last, upon us. On Tuesday November 8th, NYC poll sites are open from 6 am to 9 pm. If you're unsure of your polling place, please follow this link to find it:

<https://nyc.pollsitelocator.com/search>.

Fall Open Enrollment for Medicare is here and the Medicare Rights Center for Enrollment Awareness is here to help. My office is sponsoring a Medicare enrollment awareness event on November 7 at 5pm at Redeemer Presbyterian Church, 150 West 87th Street. Come to the [event](#) to learn more about Medicare coverage, costs, and programs. Starting November 1st, my office also has Medicare volunteers on Tuesdays between 12pm-2pm. For more information, see the [flyer](#) or call 212-873-0282x206.

November is an important month for education on the Upper West Side. The Community Education Council should vote on the school district rezoning plan this month. I have supported their [rezone plan](#), and have written an [op-ed](#) on the importance of school integration. In addition, on Thursday November 10th from 6-8pm, the DOE is sponsoring an event to learn how to apply to Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Gifted and Talented Programs. [It's Elementary!](#)

Give thanks this season by giving back! Join the West Side Campaign Against Hunger in their Thousand Turkey Challenge on Nov 21-Nov 22 9am-8pm, and Nov 23 9am-1pm, as they endeavor to provide Thanksgiving turkeys and seasonal meals to local low-income families. WSCAH is located on the lower level of The Church of St. Paul and St. Andrew, 263 West 86th Street. Last year over 1,000 families received turkeys from the emergency food pantry. Please help them to serve even more families this holiday season. For more information, please see the [flyer](#).

One of my favorite choirs is the New York City Labor Chorus-- they are having their [25th anniversary celebration](#) on November 12th!

Below are a compilation of events from a variety of sources. For more information, please visit the organization's website.

See you in the community!



Tuesday, November 1st - Sunday, November 6th

Community Board 7 Full Board Meeting

Tuesday, November 1st, 6:30 pm.

Location: Mount Sinai West Hospital, 1000 Tenth Avenue at 59th Street

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

Community Education Council District 3

Tuesday, November 1st, 6:30 pm

Location: P.S. 84 the Lillian Weber School of the Arts, 32 W 92nd St.

Go to CEC3 [website](#) for more details

Community Board 4 Full Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 2nd, 6:30 pm.

Location: Fulton Auditorium, 119 9th Avenue between 17th and 18th St.

Go to Community Board 4 [website](#) for more details

Council Member Rosenthal's Monthly Housing Clinic

Wednesday, November 2nd, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Location: Goddard Riverside Community Center, 595 Columbus Ave.

FREE! On the first Wednesday of each month, the clinic offers a presentation on a variety of topics, to be followed by a question and answer session. This month's focus is on HPS, repairs, heat/hot water, bedbugs, and clutter. Lawyers will be available for free consultation with residents (Bilingue: Español). You must arrive by 6:45pm to sign up to speak with a lawyer. Sign up begins at 6:00pm.

Community Education Council District 3 Final Zoning Presentation*

Thursday, November 3rd, 6:30pm

Location: Joan of Arc Complex, 154 West 93rd Street

*Please confirm date/time/location at www.cec3.org

The Harlem Chamber Players': The Fantastic Worlds of Edgar Allen Poe

Friday, November 4th, 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Location: Goddard Riverside's Bernie Wohl Center, 647 Columbus Avenue

The Harlem Chamber Players present The Fantastic Worlds of Edgar Allan Poe, with harpist Ashley Jackson. Join us for a lively concert in celebration of the works of Edgar Allan Poe. [For tickets and more information, see here.](#)

Pre-Tulip Planting Preparation

Saturday and Sunday, November 5th and 6th, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Location: West Side Community Garden, 123 West 89th St. between Amsterdam Ave & Columbus Ave

A free picnic lunch is served for the community workers as we prepare the ground and plant 15,000 Tulips for another year in the garden.

Monday, November 7th - Sunday, November 14th

Medicare Enrollment Awareness Event

Monday, November 7th, 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Redeemer Presbyterian Church (West 83rd street Ministry), 150 West 83rd Street Room 405

My office is sponsoring an event with the Medicare Rights Center on Medicare Fall Open Enrollment, eligibility, costs, coverage, and the Medicare Savings Programs. Receive helpful information and get help from Medicare experts! See the [flyer](#) for more details.

Love Your Block Grant Applications

Monday, November 7th, Applications due by 11:59 pm November 7th

Love Your Block is an initiative of NYC Service in partnership with Citizens Committee for New York City that provides a unique opportunity for neighborhood groups to transform and improve their communities. [See application instructions and online application here](#)

Election Day!

November 8, Polls open 6am-9pm

Location: Find your polling location [here](#)

Children's Museum of Manhattan--Election Day Event

Tuesday, November 8th, 10:00am to 5:00pm

Location: [The Tisch Building, 212 West 83rd Street](#) 212-721-1223

Visit the Pint Sized Politicians exhibit on election day! Children can learn about past presidents, practice their presidential penmanship, and browse artifacts. Adults and kids can create their own campaign slogan and decorate buttons. Guests will be joined by painter Leah Tinari as she shares her series President Project now on view at CMOM. Free with museum admission.

Community Board 7: Transportation Committee

Tuesday, November 8th, 7:00 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th Street 2nd Floor

Go to Community Board 7's [website](#) for more details

Community Board 7: Business and Consumer Issues Committee

Wednesday, November 9th, 7:00 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th Street 2nd. Floor

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

Community Education Council District 3 Special Calendar Meeting

Wednesday, November 9th, 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Location: Joan of Arc Complex, 154 West 93rd Street

The Community Education Council is scheduled to vote on zoning plan*

*Please confirm date/time/location at www.cec3.org

It's Elementary: Start Your Child in NYC Public Schools

Thursday, November 10, Sessions at 6:15 pm and 6:45 pm

Location: PS 333 Manhattan School for Children, 154 W. 93rd Street

FREE. Join us at our It's Elementary to learn more about Pre-K, Kindergarten, and Gifted & Talented admissions. In one night, learn how to apply to all three admissions processes! Free! [Register online.](#)

A Family Undertaking

Thursday, November 10, 6:30 to 8:30 pm

Location: American Folk Art Museum, 2 Lincoln Square Columbus Avenue
Filmmaker Elizabeth Westrate will introduce and screen her 2004 documentary A Family Undertaking (PBS), which explores the home burial movement in the United States. The evening will conclude with a dialogue between Westrate and Margaret Schwartz, Professor in the Department of Communication and Media Studies at Fordham University. Tickets are \$10-12 and you can reserve tickets online [here](#).

Macaulay Honors College Presents Best-Selling Author Francine Prose

Thursday, November 10, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Location: Macaulay Honors College, 35 West 67th St.

FREE. The Macaulay Author Series presents best-selling author Francine Prose (Lovers at the Chameleon Club, Paris 1932) and her new novel Mister Monkey. After a brief reading from the book, author and playwright Theresa Rebeck (The Scene) will interview Prose, followed by a Q&A and book signing. The program is free and open to the public. Reservations are recommended. [Please RSVP](#).

Book Discussion with Katie Bolick, author of “Spinster: Making a Life of One’s Own”

Thursday, November 10th, 6:00 pm.

Location: National Council of Jewish Women New York, 241 West 72nd Street
Join NCJW of New York for a book discussion with author Katie Bolick. Editor, author, and columnist, Bolick’s recent book “Spinster: Making a Life of One’s Own” is about settling down, having it all, and living authentically. The event is free for NCJW members and \$15 for non-members.

Housing Court Answers Fall Fundraiser

Thursday, November 10th, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Location: 684 Broadway #10E

Please join Housing Court Answers' board, staff and friends at our upcoming fall fundraiser. Have fun and support our work helping people get fair treatment in the city's Housing Courts. All are welcome. Suggested donation of \$50. Connect with your housing advocate friends over wine, beer, and hors d'oeuvres. [Online registration required](#)

Police Service Area 6 Community Council Meeting

Thursday, November 10th, 7:00 pm

Location: PSA 6, 2770 Frederick Douglas Boulevard

Central Park Conservancy Memorial Walk

Friday, November 11th, 2:00pm. to 4:00 pm.

Location: Maine Monument (Columbus Circle entrance to Central Park; 59th Street and Central Park West)

FREE. Join the Central Park Conservancy tour guides on a walk through Central Park that will take you on a historical journey through memorials within the park. Explore memorials that honor veterans and historical events in New York City. No registration required!

Bloomingdale Birthday Bash

Friday, November 11th, 7:00 pm.

Location: Broadway Presbyterian Church, 601 West 114th Street at Broadway

FREE. The Bloomingdale School of Music is celebrating its 52nd birthday with a concert representing the incredible diversity of its musical community! The first half of the concert will feature BSM Assistant Director and trumpeter Brandon Vazquez in a

jazz ensemble. The second half will feature BSM vocal performer Jocelyn Medina and her group. They will perform music from Africa and Brazil that is featured on her latest recording, Common Ground.

Vietnam: Soldiers Tell Their Stories 40 Years Later

Friday, November 11th, 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm & Saturday, November 12th, Noon

Location: The Bernie Wohl Center, 647 Columbus Avenue at 91st Street

Actors from Hudson Warehouse recount stories of unfathomable courage, extreme horrors, and unbreakable loyalty. Join us for this Veteran's Day tribute. [Admission is free for veterans. tickets for purchase for non-veterans.](#)

New York City Labor Chorus 25th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, November 12, 7:30pm

566 LaGuardia Place, New York, NY 10012

For more information, visit www.nyuskirball.org or call 212-998-4941

How Do We Explain Anti-Science and the Donald Trump Phenomenon? Sunday, November 13, 11:00am

Location: New York

Society for Ethical Culture, 2 West 64th Street, Ceremonial Hall 4th floor

FREE. As part of NYSEC's Sunday Meeting series, join Leader Joseph Chuman for a discussion on ethics, democracy, and the current presidential election.

Monday, November 14th - Sunday, November 20th

Community Board 7: Housing Committee

Monday, November 14th, 6:30 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th Street 2nd Floor

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

24th Precinct Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 16th, 7:00 pm

Location: 24th Precinct, 151 West 100th St.

Community Board 7: Land Use Committee

Wednesday, November 16th, 7:00 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th Street 2nd Floor

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

Community Board 7: Youth, Education, & Libraries Committee

Thursday, November 17th, 6:30 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th Street 2nd Floor

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

Voice of the Violin: Myths and Fantasms, Colorful Creatures and Characters

Friday, November 18th, 7:00 pm.

Location: David Greer Recital Hall, 323 W 108th St.

FREE! Join the Bloomingdale School of Music for a free violin concert that takes the listener through different countries and eras.

Leaf Lift with the Riverside Park Conservancy

Saturday, November 19th, 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Location: Various locations

FREE. Join Riverside Park Conservancy to rake leaves off of our pathways, high-traffic areas, and lawns to prevent them from clogging storm drains, making pathways

slippery, and smothering the grass. All leaves will be added to our compost pile and turned into valuable mulch for use throughout the park. Families, groups, and volunteers of all ages are welcome. Jumping in piles encouraged! For more info or to register call 212-870-3070 or email grassroots@riversideparknyc.org

Gotham Groove at the Museum of the City of New York

Saturday and Sunday, November 19-20 beginning at 10:00 am

Location: Museum of the City of New York, 1220 5th Avenue

Join us for this opening weekend event celebrating New York at Its Core, the museum's landmark, permanent exhibition presenting more than 400 objects and state-of-the-art "interactives" which together capture the city's four-century history of growth and transformation. This round-the-clock weekend celebration takes place over 32 hours of nonstop fun and surprises, and features live musical and spoken word performances, films, dance, and interactive experiences for the entire family. Advance registration required. Free general admission tickets are timed, and include access to all exhibitions plus Voices of the City musical performances, family activities, and more.

Thousand Turkey Challenge Launch Party

Sunday, November 20, 12pm-2pm

Location: West Side Campaign Against Hunger, 263 West 86th Street

Join the West Side Campaign Against Hunger and B'nai Jeshurun in helping to provide low-income families with turkeys and other Thanksgiving food. There will be family-friendly activities and refreshments will be served. Last year, over 1,000 families who visited the emergency food pantry received turkeys and other special food for the holiday--help make this Thanksgiving a great holiday for all.

Monday, November 21st - Wednesday, Nov 30th

Community Board 7: Parks and Environment Committee

Monday, November 21st, 7:00 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th Street 2nd Floor

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

Community Board 7: Health & Human Services Committee

Tuesday, November 22nd, 6:30 pm.

Location: Community Board 7, 250 West 87th St. 2nd Floor

Go to Community Board 7 [website](#) for more details

Community Education Council District 3 Calendar Meeting

Tuesday, November 22nd, 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

Location: P.S 149, 41 West 117th Street

Go to CEC3 [website](#) for more details

20th Precinct Community Council Meeting

Monday, November 28th, 7:00 pm.

Location: NYPD 20th Precinct, 120 West 82nd Street

Gratitude Colloquy

Sunday, November 27th, 11:00 am

Location: New York Society for Ethical Culture, 2 West 64th Street, Ceremonial Hall 4th floor

FREE! For this Holiday of Thanksgiving, join the NYSEC for a conversation that will

explore what gratitude means and the role it plays in relationships and for one's well-being. Led by speaker Richard Koral, this event is open to the public.

Astronomy Live: Next Generation Astronomy at the American Museum of Natural History

Tuesday, November 29th, 7:30 pm.

Location: Hayden Planetarium Space Theater, 200 Central Park West

Jackie Faherty and Jana Grcevich highlight the science propelled by missions like the Hubble Space Telescope and explain what you can expect to see in the near future from missions like Gaia and the James Webb Space Telescope. Admission is \$15 for nonmembers, \$13.50 for seniors and students, and \$12 for members.

Ongoing Events

79th Street Greenmarket

Sundays year-round, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Location: Columbus Avenue between 77th & 81st Streets

Just behind the American Museum of Natural History, on Columbus Avenue, this year-round market stretches from 78th St. to 81st Streets each Sunday. Shoppers will find grass fed beef, New York's freshest fish, duck, chicken, ostrich, goat cheese, fresh flowers, eggs, honey, baked goods, apple cider, and a large variety of fruit and vegetables. Cash, EBT/Food Stamps, Debit/Credit, WIC Vegetable & Fruit checks & FMNP coupons accepted.

97th Street Greenmarket

Fridays year-round, 8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Location: 97th St between Columbus & Amsterdam

One of the longest running year-round markets in the Greenmarket program, the 97th Street market has been serving the diverse population of the Upper West Side for over 25 years. Come shop for produce from southern New Jersey, Orange County, NY, and the Hudson Valley, as well as eggs, grass-fed meat, fish, cheese, and more. Cash, EBT/Food Stamps, Debit/Credit, WIC Vegetable & Fruit checks & FMNP coupons accepted.

Grand Bazaar NYC

Every Sunday from 10 am to 5:30pm

Location: 100 West 77th Street at Columbus

[All year-round](#), indoors and outdoors, 100+ top merchants set-up their stands to sell the finest and most distinctive antique watches, vintage collectibles and fashion, art and photography, handmade jewelry and furniture, and delicious macaroons & other artisanal foods. Grand Bazaar NYC donates 100% of its net revenue to four neighborhood public schools, benefiting over 4,000 children, while building and supporting a vibrant community of talented artists, designers, artisans, and entrepreneurs.

Keeping it Green for Families

Sundays from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, November 13 through December 18 Location: Central Park (Exact location is determined by the needs of the park, participants are notified by email of exact meeting place)

Spend quality time with your family helping keep Central Park green by spreading mulch or raking leaves. Central Park Conservancy environmental educators lead stewardship projects throughout the Park during spring and fall. Families only, maximum of 3 children per parent/guardian; no groups. Ages 5+. Space is limited;

[advance registration required.](#)

Cinematters: Film at the Jewish Community Center

Fall Film Season runs from September 1st to December 31st, Various dates and showtimes

Location: Jewish Community Center Manhattan, 344 Amsterdam Avenue at 76th St. JCC Manhattan's film program showcases films that promote change and reflect on pertinent themes. Featuring previews and special engagements, CINEMATTERS emphasizes films on social justice, social action, and matters crucial to our New York community and society at large. Presenting movies from around the world, our screenings include special guest speakers, filmmakers, actors, and other interactive opportunities to further engage with the themes in our award-winning films. [For more information on showtimes, films, and purchasing tickets.](#)

Home: Seen. Unseen- Solo exhibit of Christopher Voss

November 1st to December 18th, Open daily from 8:00 am to 9:00 pm

Location: The Gallery at W83 Ministry Center, 150 W. 83rd Street

Christopher Voss explores the perceptions and realities of how we define and experience home and belonging in his series, "Home: Seen. Unseen." Through the layering and piecing together of fragmented images, Voss asks the viewer to consider the tensions that may exist between what we choose to remember and to forget, the narratives that stay with us, and the narratives we recall through an altered lens.

Understanding Dementia: What You Need to Know and Where to Go

Various dates and times throughout the month of November ([See exact offerings here](#))

Location: CaringKind, 360 Lexington Avenue, 4th Fl. (Sessions are also offered at different locations in other boroughs! See here for locations)

Throughout the month of November, CaringKind will offer free educational sessions for family and friends caring for people with dementia. These workshops will provide caregivers information about Alzheimer's disease and other types of dementia. Caregivers will also learn about what resources and services are available to help them cope with present challenges and future planning. Registration is required, please call (646) 744-2900 to register.

Affordable Housing Lotteries

Affordable Housing Lottery at 435 West 31st Street in Chelsea

For households with incomes of \$32,640 - \$63,060

Deadline to apply is Nov. 7

Preference goes to current residents of Community Board 4 for 50% of units. Amenities include a bike repair station, kids playroom, library, lounge, game room, and laundry room. All of these apartments will be subject to a lottery process managed by the New York City Housing Development Corporation. [Learn more.](#)

Affordable Housing - Additional Resources

FREE Monthly Housing Clinics

Council Member Helen Rosenthal, Goddard Riverside's SRO Law Project, and The Urban Justice Center present FREE 2016-2017 Monthly Housing Clinics and Workshops from October 2016 - June 2017 (6pm-8pm) at Goddard Riverside Community Center, 593 Columbus Avenue (between 88th and 89th Streets). On the first Wednesday of each month, the clinic will offer a presentation on a variety of topics, to be followed by a question and answer session. The funding is provided by the Housing Preservation Initiative of the New York City Council. Each evening, at least

one staff attorney will meet with individuals who are seeking specific legal advice. (Bilingue: Español) For questions, contact the Urban Justice Center at (646) 459-3017 or Anna Gago at the Office of Council Member Rosenthal at (212) 873-0282 x.204. Sign-up sheet starting at 6pm each evening.

- **November 2, 2016:** HPs, Repairs, Heat/Hot Water, Bedbugs, Clutter
- **December 7, 2016:** Housing Court 101
- **January 4, 2017:** Types of Affordable Housing including Vouchers, Roommates, Subletting
- **February 1, 2017:** 'Bad Actor' activity including Harrassment, Illegal Hotels & Buyouts
- **March 1, 2017:** Residency Requirements for Rent Regulated Apartments
- **April 5, 2017:** DHCR Overview including MCIs & IAs
- **May 3, 2017:** DHCR Rent Overcharges and Illegal Deregulation
- **June 7, 2017:** Succession Rights

Housing Conservation Coordinators (HCC) Legal Clinic

Location: HCC Offices, 777 Tenth Avenue

HCC offers a free legal clinic on Monday evenings from 7pm – 9pm. To meet with a volunteer attorney, visitors must call the front desk (212) 541-5996 to reserve a spot in the clinic in advance. Only the first eight callers will be able to reserve an appointment. Any New York City resident who does not qualify for HCC's legal services* can visit HCC's Legal Clinic, regardless of income or address. Our volunteer lawyers provide brief legal information, explain basic legal rights and may refer visitors to other legal resources/organizations/agencies. The Clinic is for 15-minute consultations only. You do not retain the volunteer attorney and the attorney cannot represent you or provide legal advice. While most visitors come for legal information about housing-related matters, attorneys may (at their own discretion) field questions about other basic, legal matters, as well. Visitors are asked to bring all documents relevant to their questions.

NYC Housing Connect

Looking for affordable housing? The NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) have developed an online portal to portal to search and apply for affordable housing opportunities in New York City called NYC Housing Connect. On the site, you can: Learn how to apply for affordable housing in New York City; View current and upcoming housing opportunities; Start, save, and complete an application for your household; Apply to housing options for which you may qualify. NYC Housing Connect seeks to simplify the application process for you. To visit the site [CLICK HERE](#). Applying and qualifying for affordable housing can be a long process, and you are not guaranteed to receive housing. Your household must not only qualify with detailed criteria on a property-by-property basis, but you must also be selected at random in that property's lottery. Preferences noted in the advertisement will be given first consideration. For other housing resources for New York City, visit the [Affordable Housing Resource Center](#).

NYC Housing Development Corporation

HDC finances rental properties reserved for households that meet certain income restrictions, commonly referred to as either low-income or middle-income. Each posting specifies how many of each type of apartment is available. To apply, please follow the instructions on the application information or advertisement posted for each development. All apartments are awarded through a lottery; your eligibility is determined by income. There is no application fee, facilitator, outside expediter, or broker involved in this process. Filling out the application for the specific project that is advertising

available units is the ONLY way to apply for one of the apartments. [See available listings](#).

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