ABOUT THIS GUIDE

This guide is intended to assist youth service providers, parents, police officers, teachers and young adults looking to access services on the Rockaway Peninsula. You can search the table of content on page 4 to help you find exactly what you are looking for.

This guide can be accessed and downloaded via: www.RYTF.org

YOUR FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT!
If you have suggestions on ways to improve this guide, we hope that you will share them with us via our website.
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ABOUT THE ROCKAWAY YOUTH TASK FORCE

“The mission of the Rockaway Youth Task Force is to empower youth in our local communities through civic engagement & volunteer opportunities. We seek to spark social change in the Rockaways through youth leadership, and provide opportunities for teenagers and young adults to become productive citizens of the Rockaways.”

WHY BECOME A MEMBER?
- Volunteer Work
- Professional Development
- Advocate Through Civic Engagement

HOW TO JOIN
- Visit www.RYTF.org
- Click the “How To Join?” link
- Fill out the APPLICATION
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<td>P.S. 286 Kappa 6 Knowledge and Power Preparatory Academy</td>
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**Academy of Medical Technology**  
Grades: 6–12  
821 Bay 25th Street  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: Jose Marced  
718-471-3571 ext. 2030

**The Scholars' Academy**  
Grades: 6–12  
320 Beach 104th Street  
Rockaway Park, NY 11694  
Principal: Brian O'Connell  
718-945-4200

**Channel View School for Research**  
Grades: 6–12  
100-00 Beach Channel Drive  
Rockaway Park, NY 11694  
Principal: 718-634-3970

**Queens High School of Research & Technology (QIRT)**  
Grades: 9–12  
821 Bay 25th Street  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
718-868-2978

**Frederick Douglas Academy 6**  
Grades: 9–12  
821 Bay 25th Street  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
718-471-2154

**St. Francis de Sales**  
Grades: Nursery–8  
219 Beach 129th Street  
Rockaway Park, NY 11694  
Principal: Sister Patricia Chelius  
718-634-2775

**Bnos Bais Yaakov**  
613 Beach 9th Street  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: Rabbi Samuel Hiller  
718-337-6000

**Bnos Israel Institute**  
612 Beach 9th Street  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: Rabbi Rubin  
718-327-8007

**Church of God Christian Academy**  
Grades: K–12  
1332-36 Central Avenue  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: Maxine Moore  
718-327-9590

**St. Rose of Lima**  
Grades: Pre-K–8  
154 Beach 84th Street  
Rockaway Beach, NY 11693  
Principal: Theresa Andersen  
718-474-7079

**First Church of God**  
Grades: Pre-K, 2–6  
1425 Beach Channel Drive  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: 718-327-1284

**Siach Yitzchok**  
1513 Central Avenue  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: Rabbi David Sitnick  
718-327-6247

**Martin DePorres**  
140 Beach 112th Street  
Rockaway Park, NY 11692  
Principal: Jo'Anne Brancato  
718-525-5550

**Torah Academy for Girls**  
Grades: Nursery–12  
444 Beach 6th Street  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Dean: Rabbi Myer Weitman  
718-471-8444

**St. Camillus**  
Grades K–8  
185 Beach 99th Street  
Rockaway Beach, NY 11693  
Principal: Sister Agnes White  
718-634-5260

**Yeshiva Darchei Torah**  
Grades: Nursery–12  
1214 Heyson Road  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: 718-866-2300

**Yeshiva of Far Rockaway**  
Grades: 9–12  
802 Hicksville Road  
Far Rockaway, NY 11691  
Principal: Rabbi Aaron Brafman  
718-327-7600

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| **Beach 41st Street Community Center**          | Natalie Louis     | Newly renovated facility offering a multitude of space and programs primarily for young people within the immediate area. | - Administration 10am—2pm;
Afterschool Program 2pm—6pm; Night Center 6pm—10pm
Ages Served: 5 and up depending on program | - Lacrosse Team    |
| **Hammels Community Center**                    | Lloyd Wilson      | Newly renovated facility operated by The Action Center offering free recreational space for young people. | Hours: Administration 10am—2pm;
Afterschool Program 2pm—6pm; Night Center 6pm—10pm
Ages Served: 5 and up depending on program Services Provided: Afterschool Programs, Classes for Cosmetology, Dance and Music Production, Food Pantry, Hammels Basketball Team, Night Center, Open Gym and Lounge. | - Cosmetology, Dance and Music Production, Food Pantry, Hammels Basketball Team, Night Center, Open Gym and Lounge. |
| **Ocean Bay Community Center**                  |                   |                                                                             |                                                                      | - Afterschool Programs, Classes for Cosmetology, Dance and Music Production, Food Pantry, Hammels Basketball Team, Night Center, Open Gym and Lounge. |
| **Redfern Community Center**                    |                   |                                                                             |                                                                      | - Afterschool Programs, Classes for Cosmetology, Dance and Music Production, Food Pantry, Hammels Basketball Team, Night Center, Open Gym and Lounge. |
| **Robert Sorrentino Recreation Center**         | Chaleene Nash     | Recreational facility                                                        | Hours: Monday through Friday 9am—10pm; Saturday 9am—5pm Services Provided: Basketball, Stan's Pepper Steppers, Pre-K | - Basketball, Stan's Pepper Steppers, Pre-K |

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<td>Peninsula Branch</td>
<td>92-25 Rockaway Beach Blvd., Rockaway Beach, NY 11693</td>
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<td>Queens Library for Teens</td>
<td>2002 Cornaga Avenue, Far Rockaway, NY 11691</td>
<td>Monday - 2:30pm–6pm, Tuesday - 2:30pm–6pm, Wednesday - 2:30pm–6pm, Thursday - 2:30pm–6pm, Friday - 2:30pm–6pm, Saturday - CLOSED, Sunday - CLOSED</td>
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Rockaway Daycare and Early Childhood Centers

- Action Based Learning Environment (ABLE)
  141-07 Beach Channel Drive
  Belle Harbor, NY 11694
  718-634-1160

- Bethel Mission Loving Daycare Center
  338 Beach 56th Street
  Arverne, NY 11692
  718-474-8618

- Blanche Community Progress Day Care Center, Inc. Center 2
  44-02 Beach Channel Drive
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-471-7881

- Bowen's Unique Headstart
  449 Beach 21st Street
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-868-8818

- Community & Family Headstart
  41-05 Beach Channel Drive
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-471-7970

- Hebrew Kindergarten Infants Home, Inc.
  310 Beach 20th Street
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-327-1141

- Immanuel Child Care
  2919 Brookhaven Avenue
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  347-230-4712

- Living for Young Families Through Education (LYFE)
  821 Bay 25th Street
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-337-9484 ext. 5450

- Lucille Rose Day Care Center
  148 Beach 59th Street
  Arverne, NY 11692
  718-634-0331

- L&S Group Family Day Care
  611 Grassmere Terrace
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-471-7458

- On Our Way Learning Center
  264 Beach 19th Street
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-868-2961

- Rockaway Child Care Center
  14-66 Beach Channel Drive
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-327-1384

- Rockaway Headstart
  72-05 Beach Channel Drive
  Arverne, NY 11692
  718-945-0393

- Sheldon R. Weaver Day Care Center
  1279 Redfern Avenue
  Far Rockaway, NY 11691
  718-327-4078

- St. John's Baptist Church Christian Day Care Center
  74-05 Rockaway Beach Blvd.
  Arverne, NY 11692
  718-327-4078

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<td>(Register by Feb. 5, 2016)</td>
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*February 6, 2016 test is for students who scored 20 or lower on their December exam.
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<td><a href="http://www.theactioncenter.com">www.theactioncenter.com</a></td>
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<td>347-619-9040</td>
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<td><strong>Executive Director:</strong> Aria Doe</td>
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<td><strong>Description:</strong> The Action Center believes that every child deserves to recognize their full potential through education, proper food and nutrition, and anti-poverty empowerment.</td>
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<td><strong>Ages Served:</strong> Infancy and up, depending on the program.</td>
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<td><strong>Eligibility:</strong> Varies by program.</td>
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- **Cornerstone Programs**—Provides afterschool and out-of-school programs primarily for children resident in Ocean Bay and Hammels Housing Developments.
- **Hot Food Distribution**—Provides hot meals from JFK and LAG airports that is distributed to member families.
- **Pantry Services**—Weekly pantry services at Action Center facilities at Ocean Bay and Hammels Housing Developments. Residents receive dry goods and perishable items.
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<td>kidsmART—The only free arts-based after-school program located in Rockaway. The program's goal is to provide all children with a safe, nurturing space to engage in creatively.</td>
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**Executive Director:** Dan Guarino

**Description:** Rockaway Artist Alliance provides artistic education to young people.

**Time -**
- Monday-Tuesday, Grades K-2, 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm
- Wednesday-Thursday, Grades 3-5, 2:00 pm – 5:30 pm

**Referral Process:**
Children in grades K-5 are eligible for enrollment when registration forms become available. You will click on a link on this page to download registration forms. A complete packet of forms must be filled out for each child. Forms can be dropped off (9:00 am – 2:00 pm, M-F) or mailed to the RAA office. Forms are processed within one-two weeks and parents are contacted with the dates their children can begin attending the program.

A typical day at kidsmART features academic assistance; snack time; and a choice of hands-on visual art workshops (i.e. painting, clay sculpture, environmental art, arts and crafts); interactive performing art workshops (i.e. theater games) indoor recreation (i.e. chess, board games).

The workshops begin with discussion of the medium and subject; introduction to supplies and materials; examples of completed projects and demonstration of technique.

Children do NOT have to attend PS/MS114Q or PS104Q in order to be eligible to attend kidsmART.
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<td><strong>ACQC Health Home</strong> is a Care Management service, which coordinates medical care, mental health, and social services for clients with chronic conditions. The goal of Health Home is to improve a client’s overall well-being and to reduce hospitalizations and admissions to emergency rooms.&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;The ACQC Case Managers assist people living with HIV/AIDS and other chronic diseases in coordinating the various services available to them. The primary goal of each Case Manager is to advocate for those living with HIV/AIDS and other chronic diseases: they are experts in handling and working the red tape and bureaucracy that one encounters in “the system.” The services that Case Managers will link clients to the following:&lt;br&gt;&lt;br&gt;- Linkage to Medical Care&lt;br&gt;- Mental Health Services&lt;br&gt;- Harm Reduction&lt;br&gt;- Housing Services&lt;br&gt;- Food and Nutrition&lt;br&gt;- Legal Services&lt;br&gt;- Care Management&lt;br&gt;- Health Education&lt;br&gt;- Syringe Exchange</td>
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CAMBA
57-11 Shorefront Parkway, Arverne NY 11692
718-675-3347
http://www.camba.org/programs/

Eligibility: Residents of Far Rockaway

PROGRAMS

The Arverne View Recovery Project was established to assist residents of Arverne, NY, in Far Rockaway, in their recovery after Superstorm Sandy.

CAMBA staff helps residents with:

• One-on-one case management
• Career advice and resume development
• Securing employment and achieving self-sufficiency
• Legal assistance on matters including:
  • Resolution of debt issues
  • Representation in debt collection proceedings
  • Assistance with consumer fraud issues

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Goldie Maple Academy
Police Athletic League
365 Beach 57th St Arverne
NY 11692
718-471-0375
http://www.palnyc.org/800-PAL-4KIDS/

Executive Director:
Denese Mars

- After-School:
  Childrens' Services include PAL After School (PAL Smarts, PAL Arts, PAL Fit and PAL Kids Events). More than 3,000 children in 1st to 8th grades participate in academic, arts & recreation program.

- In-Step:
  The In-School Training and Employment Program (In-STEP) is an academic enrichment, job readiness, leadership training program.

- PAL PLAYSTREETS:
  Over 100 free Play Streets in Manhattan, Queens, Brooklyn, Bronx and Staten Island. PAL closes off city streets to give children safe, supervised places to play.

- Sports and Recreation:
  From basketball to Flag Football, PAL provides summertime activities, nearly every single day of the week, for New York City youth. The PAL Field Operations Sports Team organizes over 1,300 sports teams.

- Youth Link:
  Youth Link program aims to reduce the risk of recidivism among juvenile delinquents in NYC.
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BRANCHES

Queens Library For Teens
2002 Cornaga Ave Far Rockaway
NY 11691
718-471-2573
http://www.queenslibrary.org/

Executive Director:
Brandon Jeffries

Time:
Every Thursday 4pm-6pm
Ages Served: 16+

Time:
Mon-Friday 2:30pm- 6:00pm
Ages Served: 13+

PROGRAMS

• Queens Youth Justice Court.
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COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

BRANCHES

Ocean Bay Community Development Corporation
443 Beach 54th St Arverne
NY 11692
718-945-8640
www.oceanbaycdc.com

Time: Monday – Friday 8:30am – 4:30pm

Executive Director:
Patricia Simon

PROGRAMS

- Workforce Development
- Community Services
- Community Engagement
- VITA services
The Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation
1920 Mott Ave Far Rockaway
NY 11691
718-327-5300
www.rdrc.org

Executive Director:
Kevin Alexander

Business:
- Small Business Advisory Services
- Business Attraction
- Merchant Organizing
- District Marketing

Housing:
- First time homebuyer
- Home ownership preservation
- Neighborhood preservation and development

Adult Services:
- Access to Healthy Produce
- Access to technology
- Financial Literacy

Youth Services:
- Summer Youth Employment
- In-school youth
- College & beyond
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COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND NON-PROFILE ORGANIZATIONS

BRANCHES

Rockaway Waterfront Alliance
5803 Rockaway Beach Blvd
Arverne NY 11692
718-327-5919
www.rwalliance.org

Executive Director:
Jeanne DuPont

PROGRAMS

- Environmentor Internship
- Shore Corps Internship Program
- Living Classroom Workshops
- Global Exchange- Netherlands
- Community Stewardship Days
- AQUA 101 Summer Program

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• Advanced Training Program  
• School Time Tennis Program  
• Afterschool Learning  
• Arthur Ashe Educational Guidance Program  
• Scholarships |

The mission of New York Junior Tennis & Learning is to develop the character of young people through tennis and education for a lifetime of success on and off the court.

http://www.nyjtl.org/
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COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

BRANCHES

- Jewish Community Council of the Rockaway Peninsula (JCCRP)
  1525 Central Avenue,
  Far Rockaway NY 11691
  718-327-7755

Executive Director:
Nathan Krasnovsky

PROGRAMS

- Career Counseling
- Crisis Intervention & Disaster Management/Recovery Planning
- Financial Counseling
- Housing & Landlord/Tenant Mediation
- Kosher Client Choice Food Pantry
- Legal Assistance
- Medical Insurance Enrollment & Medicare Advocacy/Enrollment
- SNAP (Food Stamps)
- Referrals for other services

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Rockaway YMCA
207 Beach 73rd St, Arverne, NY 11692
(718) 215-6950
www.ymcanyc.org/rockaway

Hours:
Monday - Friday: 5:30am–10:00pm
Saturday - Sunday: 7:00am–8:00pm

PROGRAMS

Financial Assistance

Through the generosity of Y contributors, our goal is to have sufficient funds to ensure our Y remains available to all. Thanks to our generous donors to our Annual Campaign, we are able to make the Y accessible through our Financial Assistance Program. These gifts provide scholarships for individuals and families who want and need Y programs, but cannot afford them.

To Apply:
www.ymcanyc.org/association/pages/financialassistance
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SHELTERING ARMS

Sheltering Arms offers critical support to teens in foster care during their often difficult transition to adulthood. Through partnerships with skilled mentors, inspiring role models, and nationally recognized foundations and universities, we close the gaps left by past abuse or neglect, and restore the self esteem that fuels hard work, personal development, and success. Mentors and staff equip teens with professional, social, and technical skills to thrive on their own and make a positive impact on future generations.

Preparation for Adulthood:

1:1 counseling to determine the skills and professional training needed to attain desired professions.

Educational support with an emphasis on academic achievement and financial stability in college.

Life skills workshops on topics such as money management and family health.

Training targeted at professional skills, such as interviewing, resume building, networking, and dressing for the workplace.

Job and internship placements through partnerships with organizations and mentors.

Juvenile Justice Reform:

Non-Secure Placement Homes (NSPs)
- Program Capacity: 36 youth
- Sites: 2 12-bed boy’s homes & 1 12-bed girl’s Home
- Locations: Bronx
- Participants: Low-Risk Juvenile Delinquents, Ages 12-16

Non-Secure Detention Homes (NSDs)
- Program Capacity: 48 Youth
- Sites: 4 12-bed boy’s Homes
- Locations: Bronx, Harlem
- Participants: Youth Detained Pending Adjudication, Ages 12-16

Limited Secure Placement Homes (LSPs)
- Program Capacity: 38 youth
- Sites: 1 18-bed boy’s Home, 1 12-bed girl’s Home & 1 8-bed Short-Term Stabilization Program for boys & girls in the Bronx
- Locations: Queens, Bronx
- Participants: High Risk Juvenile Delinquents, Ages 11-17

ARCHES Mentoring Program
- Program Capacity: 70 youth Annually
- Locations: Jamaica, Far Rockaway
- Participants: Youth on Probation, Ages 16-24

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PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF NEW YORK CITY

TEENS RIGHTS TO CONFIDENTIALITY

PPNYC respects your right to confidentiality. New York State law allows teens to consent to confidential family planning services and reproductive health care, including abortion. This means you can make an appointment and get any of these services at our health centers without asking your parents’ permission:

All types of birth control
- Emergency contraception (also known as the "morning-after pill" although you can take it up to 5 days after unprotected sex)
- Pregnancy testing and counseling
- Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) counseling, testing, and treatment
- HIV/AIDS counseling and testing
- Abortion (medication and surgical)

After your visit, your parents will not be told about the care you received if you don’t want to tell them.

If you’re not sure how you can afford to pay for care, or if you already have insurance and don’t know if we accept it, you should still come to PPNYC. We have entitlement counselors who will talk with you to figure out how you can get the health services you seek. You do not need to get your parents’ permission or submit their income when applying for most public insurance or seeking financial assistance for family planning and reproductive health care.

Planned Parenthood of New York City has a program for teens to become empowered and in control of their lives! They can gain the information and skills to make healthy decisions about sex and reproduction. And they can share that knowledge with their friends.

Teen Advocates - teenagers trained by PPNYC to develop and perform compelling interactive presentations that educate other young people about teens’ rights and access to sexual and reproductive health care.
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SPORTS TEAMS

Rockaway Raven’s Sports
426 Beach 40th Street
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
718-471-0065

Director: Dexter Archbold

Description: Rockaway Ravens Sports, Inc. is a non for profit organization founded in 2002, looking to provide the youth, in the Rockaway community with an environment where they can become more; respectful, responsible, confident and gain a better knowledge of self and respect. We are working towards opening a home base so that the youths can come and ask questions or for assistance in dealing with the environment around them (i.e. peer-pressure, school...).

Ages Served: 5-18 years old
Website: http://www.rockawayravens.org/
Services: Football, Cheerleading, and Soccer

Stan’s Pepper Steppers
18-48 Cornaga Avenue
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
(718) 471-4818

Director: Stan Brown

Description: A nationally recognized community step team/ dancing team

Ages Served: 5-18 years old

Team Deuce Sports

Description: Team Deuce Sports is a youth organization that takes pride in providing an alternative to violence for kids in Far Rockaway, Queens, New York. The organization attempts to bring youth to a level where they will be productive citizens. Founded in 2005 by local resident, Isaac Parsee, who wears the hats of “Coach” and “Recruitment Manager.” He has demonstrated his passion for the youth of Rockaway by expending his own finances in addition to garnering support from local businesses and community leaders.

Parsee says, "Team Deuce is not a rag tag core group, but a body of people who feel our youth are lacking positive role models and direction. The way to work with kids and bring them into acceptability with society is to work with them where they are. Use life lessons to bring them along."

Isaac Parsee, Founder/Director
347-893-5619

Website: http://teamdeucesports.org/
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YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

Summer Youth Employment and Learning Program

The Capital Workforce Partners Summer Youth Employment and Learning Program is a 5-6 week, summer “work and learn” experience in July and August designed for students between 8th – 12th grades. Students are trained using the Capital Workforce Partners Career Competencies System.

For more information http://capitalworkforce.org/youth-resources/

Year Round Youth Employment for High School Students

Designed for High School students, this programming aims to provide meaningful exposure to the private sector workplace through initiatives such as: career exploration days, job shadowing opportunities, field trips and company tours, internships and pre-apprenticeships and job readiness/career competency training.

For more information http://capitalworkforce.org/youth-resources/

WIA Youth and Opportunity Youth (Programs for Youth Who are Not Currently in School)

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) programs, for youth, who are not currently in school, provide access to training and skills building activities that will result in jobs and self-sustaining careers.

For more information http://capitalworkforce.org/youth-resources/
GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

More Information on these scholarships can be found at http://www.fastweb.com/college-scholarships/articles/the-2015-scholarships

**U.S. Bank Financial Genius Scholarship**

Deadline: 9/17/15  
Available to: College Freshman through College Seniors  
Award Amount: $5,000

The U.S. Bank Financial Genius Scholarship is available to high school seniors and college undergraduate students. You must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident to be eligible for this award.

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**JW Surety Bonds Scholarship**

Deadline: 9/30/15  
Available to: College Freshman through College Seniors  
Award Amount: $1,000

The JW Surety Bonds Scholarship is open to current college students. You must submit an informational article of between 500 and 1,000 words on one of the sponsor approved topics in order to qualify for this award. Videos of between one and five minutes and slideshows of between 10 and 30 slides are also acceptable.

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**DeVry College Completer Scholarship**

Deadline: 10/26/15  
Available to: College Freshman through College Junior  
Award Amount: $18,000

There are many reasons to complete your degree. Whatever your reason, DeVry University can help. We work with returning students and students transferring colleges every day, helping them finish their degrees quickly and affordably. Whether you are currently enrolled in school or have been out for a while, DeVry will work with you to apply qualifying credits — up to 80 credit hours — toward your degree program. By maximizing these transfer credits, you can complete your degree sooner, saving you time and money. DeVry also offers the College Completer Scholarship, a merit-based award designed specifically for those looking to finish a bachelor’s or associate degree. You could receive up to $18,000 to help you earn your bachelor’s or associate degree. Whatever your reasons for completing your degree, DeVry University can help make it faster and more affordable. Learn more at devry.edu.

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**Look Twice, Save A Life Scholarship**

Deadline: 12/01/15  
Available to: High School Seniors through Graduate Students, Year 5  
Award Amount: $1,000

The Look Twice, Save A Life Scholarship is available to students currently attending or planning to attend an accredited college or university. You must create a form of social awareness that inspires other students to focus on Looking Twice for Motorcycle Safety to qualify for this award. This can be a video, artwork, essay or anything that would engage other students to focus on safe driving. Student must have a valid driver’s license.

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**Custom Jewelry Scholarship**

Deadline: 12/15/15  
Available to: College Freshman through Graduate Students, Year 5  
Award Amount: $1,000

The Custom Jewelry Scholarship is available to students enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate degree program at any accredited college, university or trade school. You must submit a minimum 1,000-word essay on the following topic: “Why buy custom jewelry?”

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**ImproveNet DIY Repair Scholarship**

Deadline: 12/15/15  
Available to: College Freshman through Graduate Students, Year 5  
Award Amount: $1,000

Provided by CraftJack, Inc., the ImproveNet DIY Repair Scholarship is available to undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at an accredited college or university. You must submit a 1000 to 2000 word essay to qualify for this award.
CUNY NEW YORK STATE SCHOLARSHIPS

New York State offers a number of special scholarships for students who excelled in high school or who may be pursuing particular academic objectives in special programs.

NEW YORK STATE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

This program provides scholarship assistance to outstanding New York State high school graduates. Awards are based on student grades in certain Regents exams. See your high school guidance counselor at your high school for information on how to apply.

Each year, 8,000 scholarships are awarded up to 2,000 scholarships of $1,500 and 6,000 scholarships of $500 to top scholars from registered New York State high schools. Recipients can also receive other non-loan student aid, but the total cannot exceed the cost of attendance. Scholarships for Academic Excellence provide up to $1,500 per year for up to five years of undergraduate study in New York State.

Eligibility:
- Have graduated from high school
- Study full time and be matriculated in an approved undergraduate program of study in a New York State post-secondary institution
- Be in good academic standing
- Not in default on any guaranteed student loan administered by HESC
- Be a U.S. citizen or qualifying non-citizen
- Be a New York State resident

WORLD TRADE CENTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Available to the children and spouses of victims of the attacks of September 11, 2001, this program provides tuition, fees and living expenses for up to four years of full-time undergraduate study at CUNY. To receive this scholarship, a student, must be the child or the spouse of a victim of the attacks. The award also is available for victims who themselves have been severely and permanently disabled as a result of the attacks. An applications is available from the New York State Higher Education Services corporation (HESC) at www.hesc.com.

STATE AID TO NATIVE AMERICANS

Available to any enrolled members of a New York State tribe or children of an enrolled member of a New York State tribe. You may be eligible for an award through the Aid to Native Americans Program. Enrolled members of a New York State tribe and their children who are attending, or planning to attend, a college in New York State and are New York State residents are eligible for this award. Awards are made to all eligible applicants. There is no qualifying examination. Awards are available for 2, 4 or 5-year programs.

Awards for full-time students are up to $2,000 annually and $1,000 per semester. Part-time awards are approximately $85 per credit hour.

More Information (State Aid to Native Americans)
Specific eligibility criteria and information can be found by writing to:
Native American Education Unit
NYS Education Department
Room 374 EBA
Albany, New York 12234
(518) 474-0537

REGENTS AWARD FOR CHILDREN OF DECEASED AND DISABLED VETERANS

This program provides financial aid assistance to children of veterans who served in the United States armed forces during specific periods of war or national emergency. Applicants must fill out a special application in addition to a TAP application.

Eligibility:
- The veteran must currently be a New York State resident or have been a New York State resident at the time of death, if death occurred during or as a result of service.
- Aid is for four years of undergraduate study or five years of undergraduate study if enrolled in an approved five-year baccalaureate program.
- Applications must be received by May 1 to be considered for the following academic year.

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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (POLICE OFFICERS, PEACE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS)

The New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC) administers the Memorial Scholarships for Families of Deceased Police Officers, Peace Officers, and Firefighters. The scholarship provides financial aid to children and spouses of deceased police officers, peace officers, firefighters, and volunteer firefighters of New York State who have died as the result of injuries sustained in the line of duty.

Memorial scholarships provide funds to meet the costs of attending college. These awards are based on allowances for tuition and non-tuition costs, which include room and board, books, supplies, and transportation. The Memorial Scholarship award is available for four years of full-time undergraduate study (or for five years in an approved five-year bachelor's degree program).

Students must:
- Be matriculated at approved colleges or other post-secondary institutions in New York State.
- Study full time in approved undergraduate programs.
- Have a parent, spouse or were a financial dependent of a firefighter, volunteer firefighter, police officer, peace officer or emergency medical service worker who died as the result of injuries sustained in the line of duty in service to the State of New York.

How To Apply (Memorial Scholarships)

Student must establish eligibility by submitting a Memorial Scholarship Supplement. Once eligibility has been established, the student must submit an application for payment by May 1 of the academic year for which payment of the scholarship is sought. Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and a TAP application. Students do not have to submit a Memorial Scholarship Supplement every year, but must submit an application for payment each year.

WAR ON TERRORISM SCHOLARSHIP

The War on Terrorism Scholarship is available to students whose parent or spouse was killed while serving in the military and fighting the war on terrorism. The scholarship, along with the New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) grant, provides full tuition at CUNY. The award is available for up to four years of undergraduate study (five years in certain five-year associate degree programs). All recipients of the scholarships are required to submit the FAFSA and must apply for TAP.

To qualify, the student must have a special application and the following documentation from the Department of Defense:
- The parent or spouse was killed in a combat zone that was part of the war on terrorism or related action as part of Operation Enduring Freedom.
- The parent or spouse killed was a New York State resident at the time of military service.
- The applicant must also submit either a birth certificate or a marriage certificate to document the relationship to the deceased service member.

FLIGHT 587 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Flight 587 Memorial Scholarships provide financial aid to children, spouses and financial dependents of individuals killed as a direct result of American Airlines Flight 587's crash in the Belle Harbor neighborhood of Queens, New York on November 12, 2001. The Scholarship program will help the 266 families who lost loved ones cover the cost of attending college in New York State.

Who Are Eligible Children?
Spouses and financial dependents of those who died as a direct result of the American Airlines Flight 587 crash on November 12, 2001 in Belle Harbor, Queens, New York.

How to Apply?
(Flight 587 Memorial Scholarships)
Print a copy of the Flight 587 Memorial Scholarship Supplement and submit it with the necessary documentation to HESC, Scholarship Unit, 99 Washington Ave, Room 1630A, Albany, NY 12225. A description of the required documentation is included in the instructions on the last page of the supplement. Once eligibility has been established, students must submit a payment application for each academic year payment is sought. Eligible students should apply for payment by filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the TAP Application.

Eligibility Requirements (Flight 587 Memorial Scholarships)

Effective immediately and retroactive for the 2001-2002 academic year, undergraduate students who are full time, matriculated in an approved program in New York State and meet the eligibility requirements pursuant to New York State laws and regulations are eligible. Recipients need not be New York State residents or U.S. citizens to receive the scholarship. NOTE: Eligible New York State resident family members who were enrolled in undergraduate colleges or universities located outside of New York State on November 12, 2001 may receive payment of this scholarship for attendance at that school.
CUNY New York City Scholarships

The New York City Council Merit Scholarship rewards New York City high school graduates who have proven their ability to succeed academically while they were in high school. The scholarship is effective beginning with the 2014-2015 academic year and students will receive $800 per year ($400 per semester). Scholarship awards may vary for each academic year.

Application Form
There is no separate application for the scholarship. Students are automatically considered for the award when they apply for admission to CUNY.

To qualify you must:
- Graduate from a New York City high school with at least an 80(B) College Academic Average (CAA) average
- Pass at least twelve college preparatory courses in high school
- Enroll at a CUNY college as a full-time student within one year of graduating from high school
- Register as a full-time student each semester (except summer) and maintain at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA
- Attend CUNY before attending any other post secondary institution

Students must graduate high school beginning June 2014

Pursuit and Progress
- You must maintain continuous full-time (12 credits) enrollment within the City University of New York system
- You must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Students pursuing an associate's degree may receive the NYC Council Merit Scholarship for a maximum of six semesters. Those seeking a bachelor's degree are limited to eight semesters of eligibility
- The award is not restored once it has been lost
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COMMUNITY GARDENS

Seagirt Community Garden
30-33 Seagirt Blvd Far Rockaway NY 11691

Description: Established in 1992, Seagirt Boulevard Community Garden is well used by community members to grow and raise a variety of fresh vegetables and produce. The garden is an important source of fresh produce for many residents. It also serves as a popular location to host barbecues and picnics within a short walk of the Atlantic Ocean.

Hours: 7AM - 1PM

Website:

Community gardens offer unique opportunities to teach youth about:

- Where food comes from
- Practical math skills
- Basic business principles
- The importance of community and stewardship
- Issues of environmental sustainability
- Job and life skills

And,

- Community gardening is a healthy, inexpensive activity for youth that can bring them closer to nature, and allow them to interact with each other in a socially meaningful and physically productive way.

Culinary Kids Garden
30-15 Seagirt Blvd Far Rockaway 11691

Description: Culinary Kids Healthy Initiatives Program introduce toddlers to teens, even young adults to more healthier and nutritious alternatives to their daily diet. Through workshops we begin dialogue and discussion and implementation of the whole spectrum of a healthier lifestyle.

Website:
http://www.culinarykidsdaycamp.org

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COMMUNITY GARDENS

Edgemere Farm
385 Beach 45th Street Far Rockaway, NY 11691

Description: Edgemere Farm is a half-acre urban farm located in the beachside community of Far Rockaway, Queens. In 2013 its founders transformed a historically vacant and underutilized lot on Beach 45th Street into a lush and productive space, where a wide variety of fresh and organically grown vegetables, flowers and herbs could be cultivated.

Farm Stand: Fridays 4pm - 7pm Saturdays 9am – 2pm
Website: http://www.edgemerefarm.org/volunteer/

Health Benefits:

- Studies have shown that community gardeners and their children eat healthier diets than do non-gardening families.
- Eating locally produced food reduces asthma rates, because children are able to consume manageable amounts of local pollen and develop immunities.
- Exposure to green space reduces stress and increases a sense of wellness and belonging.
- Increasing the consumption of fresh local produce is one of the best ways to address childhood lead poisoning.
- The benefits of Horticulture Therapy can be and are used to great advantage in community gardens.

The Healing Garden
378 Beach 45th Street Far Rockaway, NY 11691

Description: The Healing Garden is a model farm that unites agriculture with community development, nutrition, and local economic development. The goal of our program is not simply to beautify the space with greenery; but rather use local agriculture to encourage healthy food choices, promote good health, spur economic growth through entrepreneurship and promote a strong sense of community.

Hours: 10AM – 6PM
Website: http://bedstuyagainsthunger.org/far-rock/
Rockaway Youth Task Force Community Garden
310 Beach 58th St Arverne, NY 11692

Description: RYTF’s Food Justice began as a response to the widespread damage to the Rockaway peninsula after Superstorm Sandy, resulting in the shuttering of many small stores and supermarkets. To further expand access to healthy food and green space and promote education about proper nutrition and healthy living, RYTF secured a half-acre of land from the NYC Parks Department in 2013 and began construction of one of the largest youth-run community gardens in New York City. The transformation of what has sat as an empty lot for years includes raised beds, rainwater harvest systems, solar panels, a green house, and composting.

Hours: Everyday 1:00PM - Sundown

Become a Member: www.rytf.org/contact/

Why Green Space?

• Community gardens add beauty to the community and heighten people's awareness and appreciation for living things.

• Community gardens filter rainwater, helping to keep lakes, rivers, and groundwater clean.

• Community gardens restore oxygen to the air and help to reduce air pollution.

• Community gardens recycle huge volumes of tree trimmings, leaves, grass clippings, and other organic wastes back into the soil.

• Community gardens provide a place to retreat from the noise and commotion of urban environments.

• Community gardens provide much needed green space in lower-income neighborhoods which typically have access to less green space than do other parts of the community.

• Development and maintenance of garden space is less expensive than that of parkland.

• Scientific studies show that crime decreases in neighborhoods as the amount of green space increases.

• Community gardens have been shown to actually increase property values in the immediate vicinity where they are located.

Beach 91st St Community Garden
136 Beach 91st St Far Rockaway, NY 11693

Description: A volunteer community garden consisting of a balanced mix of community space and raised bed individual garden space.

Website: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Beach-91st-Street-Community-Garden/16466473591021

To Volunteer: beach91communitygarden@gmail.com
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<td>A local government agency that handles, operates and administers the New York City public school system. Providing programs for students and parents who need to learn English as a second language.</td>
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<td><strong>English Language Learners and Student Support</strong>&lt;br&gt;52 Chambers Street, Room 209&lt;br&gt;New York, NY 10007&lt;br&gt;212-374-6072&lt;br&gt;<a href="http://schools.nyc.gov/Academics/ELL/">http://schools.nyc.gov/Academics/ELL/</a></td>
<td>For students who speak another language other than English, and who score low on English assessments as they enter the school system. Providing high-quality educational options to support the needs of students aged 16—21.</td>
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<td>Small full-time high schools designed to re-engage students who have dropped out of high school, or have fallen behind.&lt;br&gt;Ages Served: 15—21&lt;br&gt;Services Provided: Learning to Work Program is an added component that offers Academic Support, Counseling, College Preparation, Job and Career Development, Paid Internships.&lt;br&gt;Eligibility: 15—21 who have completed at least 1 year of high school&lt;br&gt;Referral Process: Apply directly to a Transfer School.</td>
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<td><strong>Youth Adult Borough Centers</strong>&lt;br&gt;<a href="http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/SpecialPrograms/AlternativesHS/YoungAdult/">http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/SpecialPrograms/AlternativesHS/YoungAdult/</a></td>
<td>Evening academic programs for high school students who have fallen behind.&lt;br&gt;Ages Served: 17—21&lt;br&gt;Services Provided: Learning to Work Program is an added component that offers Academic Support, Counseling, College Preparation, Job and Career Development, Paid Internships.&lt;br&gt;Eligibility: Have a minimum of 17 course credits, in the fifth year (or more) of high school, and enrolled in a NYC high school&lt;br&gt;Referral Process: Visit guidance counselor at current high school and complete forms Y1 and Y2, OR locate a YABC close to your home.</td>
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<td><strong>New York City Department of Youth and Community Development Youth Connect</strong>&lt;br&gt;156 William Street, 6th Floor&lt;br&gt;New York, NY 10038&lt;br&gt;1-800-246-4646&lt;br&gt;<a href="http://www.nyc.gov/html/dycd/html/home/">http://www.nyc.gov/html/dycd/html/home/</a></td>
<td>A local government agency committed to ensuring high-quality youth and family programming. DYCD specifically focuses on after school programs, homeless youth, employment, literacy, immigration, and general family support.</td>
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<td><strong>Mental Health Association of New York City Adolescent Skills Center</strong>&lt;br&gt;29-46 Northern Blvd.,&lt;br&gt;Long Island City, NY 11101&lt;br&gt;646-738-5131</td>
<td>The Adolescent Skills Center help young adults with emotional and behavioral challenges transition into adulthood.&lt;br&gt;Ages Served: 16-21&lt;br&gt;Services Provided: Vocational Skills Assessment, TASC Preparation and Literacy Classes, Internship Opportunities and Job Coaching, Peer Support, Case Management, Counseling, Tutoring.&lt;br&gt;Eligibility: Must have emotional and behavioral challenges that interfere with school and/or job placement and retention&lt;br&gt;Referral Process: Call to schedule an appointment.</td>
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ONLINE RESOURCES & HOTLINES

- **Children’s Defense Fund**
  - Website: www.childrensdefense.org
  - Description: A nonprofit child advocacy organization that provides free and confidential information regarding employment, programs, and other resources and services for youth.

- **Inside Schools**
  - Website: http://insideschools.org
  - Description: Provides independent information about New York City public schools.

- **Mental Health Association of New York City**
  - Website: http://www.mhaofnyc.org
  - Hotline: 1-800-LIFENET
  - Description: A confidential, toll-free help line for New York City residents. Alternate phone numbers are available for Spanish and Chinese callers.

- **NYC311**
  - Hotline: 311
  - Description: 311 Customer Service Centers provides information about non-emergency government resources, services, and related information.

- **Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network**
  - Website: www.rainn.org
  - Hotline: 1-800-656-HOPE
  - Online Hotline:ohl.rainn.org/online/
  - Description: A sexual assault prevention organization specializing in rape crisis counseling and advocacy for sexual assault victims.

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Rockaway Elected Officials
For information regarding government services and resources related to youth, please contact these official representatives.

New York City Councilman
Donovan Richards
Council District #31
1931 Mott Avenue, Suite 410
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
718-471-7014
drichards@council.nyc.gov

New York City Councilman
Eric Ulrich
Council District #32
115-06 Beach Channel Drive, Room 103
Rockaway Park, NY 11694
718-318-6411
eulrich@council.nyc.gov

New York State Senator
Joseph P. Addabbo, Jr.
District #14
88-08 Rockaway Beach Blvd.
Rockaway Beach, NY 11694
718-318-0702
Addabbo@nysenate.gov

New York State Senator
James Sanders, Jr.
District #10
1931 Mott Avenue, Room 305
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
718-327-7017
sanders@nysenate.gov

New York State Assemblyman
Phillip Goldfeder
District #23
214 Beach 96th Street, Ground Level
Rockaway Beach, NY 11693
718-945-9550
goldfeder@assembly.state.ny.us

New York State Assemblywoman
Michele Titus
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1931 Mott Avenue, Room 301
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
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titusbm@assembly.state.ny.us

New York State Congressman
Gregory W. Meeks
Congressional District #5
6712 Rockaway Beach Blvd.
Arverne, NY 11692
347-230-4032
www.meeks.house.gov

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City Wide Elected Officials
For information regarding government services and resources related to youth, please contact these official representatives.

New York City Mayor
Bill de Blasio
City Hall
New York, New York 10007
To send an online message use Web Form at www.nyc.gov

New York State Governor
Andrew Cuomo
State Capitol Albany
New York, New York 12224
Fax: 518-474-1513

Queens Borough President
Melinda Katz
150-55 Queens Boulevard
Kew Gardens, New York 11424
Phone: 718-286-3000
Email: info@queensbp.org

New York City Comptroller
Scott Stringer
Office of the Comptroller
One Centre Street
New York, New York 10007
Phone: 212-699-3500
Email: comptroller@comptroller.nyc.gov

New York City Public Advocate
Letitia James
1 Centre St #1500,
New York, NY 10007
Phone: (212) 669-7200

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# Know Your Voting Rights

## What Do I Need to Register to Vote?

You must:
- Be a United States Citizen.
- 18 years of age before the next election.
- Completed and signed voter registration card; see website information below on how and where you can register to vote.

## What If I Am a College Student?

- You can register to vote using your school’s address or your home address; whichever you regard as your primary legal residence.

## What If I Have Been Convicted of a Crime?

### Felonies
- You may not register or vote if you have been convicted of a felony and for that felony: you are currently incarcerated or you are under parole supervision.
- You can register to vote if you have been convicted of a felony and serving a probation sentence.

### Misdemeanors
- You may register and vote, even from jail, if you have been convicted of only a misdemeanor.

## I Have Not Voted in a Long Time. Am I Still Registered to Vote?

- You are permanently registered unless convicted of a felony.
- Check your registration status by visiting: [http://voterlookup.elections.state.ny.us/](http://voterlookup.elections.state.ny.us/)

## When Is the Next Election in My Area?

- You can simply input your information into [http://www.vote411.org/](http://www.vote411.org/)
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PRECINCT COUNCIL(S)

100th Precinct Council
Address: 9224 Rockaway Beach Blvd
Rockaway, NY 11693
Phone: 718-318-4200
Captain: Craig S. Adelmon
President: Danny Ruscillo
Meetings: The 100th Precinct Community Council meets every fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:30 P.M. at Knights of Columbus Hall, 333 Beach 90th Street.

101st Precinct Council
Address: 1612 Mott Ave
Far Rockaway, NY 11691
Phone: 718-868-3400
Deputy Inspector: Justin C. Lenz
President: Jazmine Outlaw
Meetings: The 101st Precinct community council meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 P.M. Meetings are held at the CenterLight Health Center located at 1821 Cornaga Avenue. Call the 101st Precinct Community Affairs Office at (718) 868-3441 to confirm or if you have any questions.

WHAT IS A PRECINCT COUNCIL:
Originally established in the 1940’s, Precinct Community Councils are forums that provide on-going, direct communication between the police and community. Community members meet regularly with the precinct Commanding Officer and Community Affairs Officers to discuss and find solutions to public-safety problems in their neighborhood. There are 86 councils citywide, including one in each precinct and each housing Police Service Area. Meetings are held once per month and open to the public and your attendance is encouraged. To find out more information about the precinct community council meetings, such as the times, dates, and the locations of meetings, please visit the links below.

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LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORERS

Law Enforcement Exploring is a community service, career-oriented program designed to educate young men and women, ages 14-20, about Law Enforcement. Exploring reaches out to New York City’s young adults in every community to help build up relations between the community and New York City Police Department. Explorers are taught the importance of higher education, self discipline, and respect for authority while they actively participate in community service projects and other Exploring events.

Methods
Exploring relies on three primary methods to attain its goals: youth leadership, positive adult role models, and the five Exploring Experience Areas.

Youth Leadership: The Explorers elect their own officers and are promoted within a rank structure. Explorers will plan and execute most of their activities. This process will encourage Explorers to see how their self-discipline can either help or impair the group.

Positive Adult Role Models: The positive interaction of Explorers and Law Enforcement Officers help young adults see officers as real people, and affords opportunities to build positive relationships between the New York City Police Department and the communities of our city.

Five Experience Areas: Exploring feels that an appreciation and commitment to the following areas are crucial to the development of all young people: Life Skills, Service Learning, Character Education, Leadership Experience, and Career.

Contact: 718-834-8824

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN’S SERVICES

Report Child Abuse

If you suspect child abuse or neglect, call the State Central Register at 1-800-342-3720 or go to 311 Online.

If a child is in immediate danger, call 911.

ACS Main Office:
150 William Street, New York, NY 10038
Phone: 212-341-0900

PROGRAMS

Youth Financial Empowerment:

Teens in foster care - Youth Financial Empowerment (YFE) is a great way to learn about the power of saving to get the things you want out of life! YFE educates and empowers young people transitioning out of foster care to maximize their resources and build assets for future success. YFE teaches essential financial literacy skills and also provides matching funds to your contributions. If you are between 16-21, and save up to $1,000 you will receive matching funds of up to $2,000 to open an Individual Development Accounts (IDA).

The Youth Workforce Toolkit:

A Standard Employer Guide to Support Young Adults in the Workplace. Get valuable information on preparing for employment and internships including:

- What employers look for in a good employee.
- Legal age of employment, work guidelines work conditions that youth and young adults are eligible to work, how to get working papers.
- Getting job training vouchers such as Individual Training Grants (ITG).
- Supports and resources: i.e. GED classes, employment and training programs, educational assistance courses, school to work apprenticeship programs, Workforce Career Centers throughout New York City, free and low cost health insurance.
- Salary earned by youths across the country for entry level positions.

Can Be Found Here:


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CRIME STOPPERS

WHAT IS CRIME STOPPERS?
The Crime Stoppers Program offers rewards of up to $2,500 for anonymous information to the 800-577-TIPS hotline that leads to the arrest and indictment of a violent felon. This public/private partnership between the NYPD and the New York City Police Foundation has been an invaluable crime-fighting tool since the program’s inception in 1983.

FOUR WAYS TO SUBMIT YOUR TIP

CALL US
- Call 1-800-577-TIPS
- After providing tip information, the receiving Detective will give you a reference number
- After one week, the tipster can follow up on supplied information by calling 800-577-8477
- The tipster’s cell phone number will not be displayed or traced.

WEBSITE
- Go to nypdcrimestoppers.com
- Check our Wanted Page for videos and information about other known violent crimes
- Send in a tip online using this tip form
- After filling out the online form, tipsters automatically receive a computer generated reference number.
- After one week, tipsters can follow up on the supplied information by calling 1-800-577-8477, or by coming back to the website and providing their reference number.

NOTE: If you need information regarding a non-violent Police matter, call your local Precinct: Precinct Contact

SMS/TEXT
- Send a text to CRIMES (274637)
- The tipster’s cell phone number will not be displayed or traced. The tipster can stop communication at any time by texting "STOP"
- The next step is to type Tips577 and then the tip information
- Tipster will begin a text conversation with an investigator.
- Tipster will be advised to leave the text conversation open if there is information that could lead to an arrest or indictment. They can also receive a reference number and call 1-800-577-8477 in one week.

NOTE: For safety reasons, we encourage tipsters to delete all text communications.

MOBILE APP
- iTunes Store (iPhone/iPad)
- Google Play (Android)
### Addabbo Family Health Center

#### Branches

**Arverne, Queens:**
- Address: 62-00 Beach Channel Dr, Queens, NY 11692
- Tel: (718) 945 - 7150; ext: 1319
- Hours: Mon - Fri: 9AM - 5PM, Sat: 9AM - 2PM

**Central Avenue, Far Rockaway:**
- Address: 1288 Central Avenue, Far Rockaway, NY 11691
- Tel: (718) 945 - 7150; ext: 1319
- Hours: Tues - Sat: 9AM - 5PM, Mon: 9AM-9PM, Sun 12PM - 5PM

**Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica:**
- Address: 114-39/49 Sutphin Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11434
- Tel: (718) 945 - 7150; ext: 1319
- Hours: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat: 9AM - 5PM, Tues: 9AM-8PM

**Guy Brewer Boulevard, Jamaica:**
- Address: 118-11 Guy Brewer Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11434
- Tel: (718) 945 - 7150; ext: 1319
- Hours: Mon-Fri: 9AM - 5PM

#### Services

- **Pediatric Services:** Infant to Adolescent Care
  - Well Baby Care
  - Immunizations
  - Adolescent Medicine
  - School, Camp and Working Papers
  - Annual Physicals

- **OB/GYN Services:** FREE Pregnancy Testing
  - Prenatal to Postpartum Care
  - Female OB/GYN Physicians
  - Birth Control/Family Planning
  - Breast Exams
  - Pap Smear
  - STIs (Sexually Transmitted Infections)
  - Teen Family Planning

- **Dental Services:** FREE Dental Screening
  - Gentle Dental Exam
  - Preventative Dentistry
  - Cleanings, Fillings and Extractions
  - Caps, Crown and Bridges
  - Bonding
  - Root Canals
  - Periodontal Treatment
  - Prosthetic Dentures (removable and fixed)

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