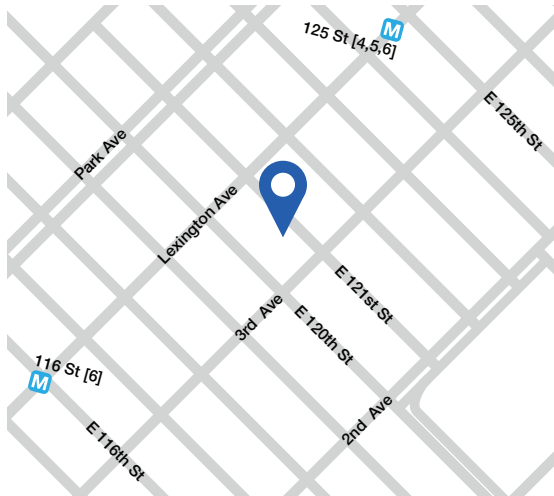


LOCATION

Project Reset's workshops and meetings take place at:

Harlem Community Justice Center

**170 East 121st Street
New York, NY 10035**



NYPD

New York City Police Department

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Manhattan District Attorney's Office

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PROJECT RESET

An alternative to Criminal Court

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A collaboration between
the **New York City
Police Department**,
the **Manhattan District
Attorney's Office**, and
the **Harlem Community
Justice Center**

YOU'VE BEEN ARRESTED... WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

Normally, if you've been arrested and given a Desk Appearance Ticket (called a "D.A.T."), you must show up in Criminal Court and plead guilty or not guilty. You might end up with a criminal record that could impact your future.

PROJECT RESET

INSTEAD of going to court, you may be able to participate in Project Reset. If you complete Project Reset, your arrest record will be sealed.



QUESTION & ANSWERS ABOUT PROJECT RESET

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

16 and 17 year old first-time offenders charged with certain non-violent misdemeanors.

HOW ARE PEOPLE SELECTED FOR PROJECT RESET?

- After an arrest, the police officer makes a recommendation to the Manhattan District Attorney's Office.
- The Manhattan District Attorney's Office reviews the case and decides if you are eligible to participate.
- If so, you will be contacted by a defense attorney and by the Project Reset staff at Harlem Community Justice Center.

DO I HAVE TO MAKE THE DECISION TO PARTICIPATE ON MY OWN?

- No, you can talk with a lawyer, free of charge, about the pros and cons.
- A lawyer from the Legal Aid Society, New York County Defender Services, or Neighborhood Defender Service of Harlem will reach out to you. You may also call a lawyer of your own choosing.

WILL MY PARENTS BE INVOLVED?

Your parents will be asked to be involved, but you can participate with or without them.

WHAT WILL I HAVE TO DO IN PROJECT RESET?

- You will have to attend 2 after-school sessions at the Harlem Community Justice Center (up to 3 hours each), which can include community service, a group discussion, or a counseling session.
- You will have to give up some free time after school to attend the program.

WHAT WILL I LEARN IN THIS PROGRAM?

- To take responsibility for your actions.
- To understand the consequences of your behaviors.

WHY SHOULD I DO THIS PROGRAM?

- If you complete the program, your arrest record will be sealed.
- No charges will be brought against you.
- You will not have to go to court.

WHAT IF I CHOOSE NOT TO DO PROJECT RESET?

If you decide not to do Project Reset, just like any other arrest, you must show up to Criminal Court on the date written on your D.A.T.

WHAT HAPPENS IF I DECIDE TO DO PROJECT RESET BUT DON'T DO WHAT I'M SUPPOSED TO?

You can be dropped from the program:

- If you fail to show up to your appointments.
- If you violate a program rule.

If you are dropped from the program, you **MUST** go to court on the date on your Desk Appearance Ticket. If not, a **WARRANT** will be issued for your arrest.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I COMPLETE THE PROGRAM?

- You will receive a certificate of completion.
- You will receive a notice of case sealing.
- You will be invited to a graduation ceremony.

We hope you choose to participate in Project Reset

Questions?
Want more information?
Contact us at Project Reset:
Call (212) 360 - 8749