

Commissioner Cortés-Vázquez's Statement on the Shooting of Older Women in a Queens Home

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"The stray-bullet shooting of two women inside their home is unacceptable and outrageous. New Yorkers of all ages should feel safe in every community — from Laurelton, Queens, to the Bronx. We are in contact with the victims to offer counseling, services and help navigating victim assistance programs." –**Department for the Aging (DFTA) Commissioner Lorraine Cortés-Vázquez**

If you are the victim of a crime or know a victim, please contact:

- The DFTA Crime Victims Resource Center at 212-442-3103. The center partners with district attorneys, local courts, the Human Resources Administration's Adult Protective Services and others.
- Your local police precinct. Through ThriveNYC, the City created the Crime Victim Assistance Program with the NYPD and Safe Horizon, which places an advocate in every precinct in the city.

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The New York City Department for the Aging works to eliminate ageism and ensure the dignity and quality of life of New York City's diverse 1.6 million older adults. DFTA also works to support caregivers through service, advocacy, and education. DFTA is the largest area agency on aging in the U.S.

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