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Join the Mayor's Fund Marathon Team

The Mayor's Fund is proud to be a part of the New York Road Runners Charity Partner Program. Through

this partnership, the Mayor's Fund is providing a limited number of runners with guaranteed entry into the 2013 ING NYC Marathon. All funds raised by team members will support Hurricane Sandy recovery efforts, including a network of housing counselors and legal service providers, as well as rebuilding and repairs to help impacted residents.

To become an official member of the Mayor's Fund Marathon Team, please visit [our website](#) for full registration and eligibility details.

Mayor's Fund Hosts Hurricane Sandy Recovery Tour in Red Hook



On August 15, the Mayor's Fund partnered with the NYC Department of Small Business Services to host a panel discussion and tour in Red Hook, Brooklyn, highlighting partnerships and ongoing Hurricane Sandy recovery efforts in this dynamic neighborhood. The evening began at Liberty Warehouse on Pier 41 where guests engaged with panelists from Good Shepherd Services, the Southwest Brooklyn Industrial Development Corporation, and the Red Hook Initiative, who shared their on-the-

ground experiences supporting the community in the aftermath of the hurricane and continuing restoration efforts today. The group then enjoyed a tour of the Red Hook Winery and Flickinger Glassworks to hear each business owner's recovery story first-hand.

Special thanks to [SideTour](#) for their help organizing this event, and to the many participating partners that made it a great success and continue to advance recovery and redevelopment efforts throughout the city.

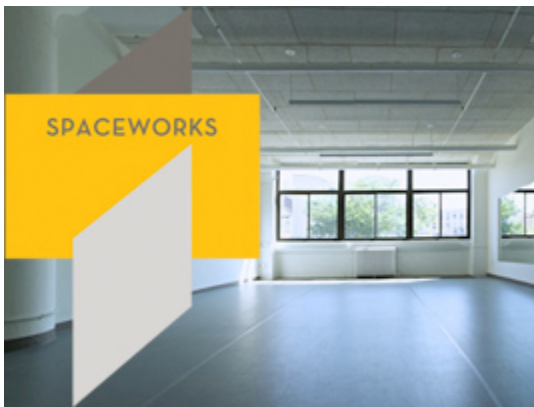
- [See Red Hook Tour photos on our Flickr page](#)
 - [Signup for our Newsletter for future tour notifications](#)
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Housing Donors Collaborative Provides Grant Funding to Aid Long-Term Storm Recovery

The Mayor's Fund partnered with the NYC Department of Housing Preservation and Development to establish the NYC Housing and Neighborhood Recovery Donors Collaborative, a consortium of 16 foundations and financial institutions that came together to support the recovery and future of neighborhoods affected by Hurricane Sandy. Collectively, participating members are providing more than \$2.6 million in private funding with an additional \$637,500 granted by the Mayor's Fund to create a total of over \$3.2 million in grants focusing on rebuilding in heavily impacted communities as well as City planning efforts. Thank you to all the Collaborative members for their commitment to strengthening the resiliency of families and neighborhoods affected by the storm.

- [Read the full press release](#)
- [See the full list of projects supported by the Collaborative](#)

Spaceworks Opens Affordable Workspace for Artists in Long Island City



On August 20, Mayor Bloomberg cut the ribbon on the first pilot site for Spaceworks, created to develop long-term, affordable rehearsal and visual art studios citywide. The new facility in Long Island City is the first of five sites currently in development that will create approximately 30,000 square feet of affordable workspace for New York City artists over the next two years. All artists living in New York City are eligible to apply for studio space, and

performing artists can apply for a Spaceworks Card to reserve hourly rentals at the new Spaceworks Performing Arts Facility. Funding for the development of Spaceworks facilities was provided through a public-private partnership incubated with the Mayor's Fund, now managed by the independent Spaceworks organization.

- [Read the full press release](#)
- [Visit the Spaceworks website](#)

Get Involved with Sandy Service Projects



Since Hurricane Sandy hit last October, NYC Service has played a critical role in on-the-ground relief efforts, helping to mobilize more than 14,300 volunteers to lend a hand in New York's most heavily impacted communities. This summer and fall, NYC Service continues its focus on cleanup and restoration efforts in the hardest hit neighborhoods. For individuals or organizations interested in recovery service projects, please visit www.nyc.gov/service to find volunteer

opportunities near you.

Save the Date: MillionTreesNYC Fall Planting October 19, 2013



Saturday, October 19 marks the next seasonal volunteer planting event with MillionTreesNYC! Trees will be planted in Rockaway Community Park, bringing New York closer to the goal of planting one million new trees by 2017. With more than 757,000 trees planted to date, we have 243,000 to go. Registration for the planting will begin in mid-September.

This past spring, MillionTreesNYC held one of its largest and most successful planting events to date. During the weekend of April 27, 20,000 trees were planted at eight parkland sites citywide. Spring 2013 also marked a partnership with the New York Knicks in which one tree was planted at Van Cortlandt Park for each three-point shot made during any Knicks 2013 home game. Over 1,000 trees were planted thanks to the Knicks.

- [Read more and learn how you can get involved](#)

Cities for Immigrant Integration Conference Releases Policy Blueprints



This summer, the Mayor's Fund continued to work with the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs (MOIA) to support a variety of immigrant-focused initiatives that help provide common access points into the City's civic, economic, and political spheres. In April, mayors and senior representatives from over twenty U.S. cities met at the Cities for Immigrant Integration Conference to promote the

integration of immigrants through innovative policies and programming. The *Blueprints for Immigrant Integration* were released at the gathering, highlighting successful practices across a variety of program and policy areas, including language access, police and community engagement, economic development and entrepreneurship, civic engagement, and citizenship.

The Mayor's Fund is also continuing to work closely with MOIA on Hurricane Sandy recovery services, including outreach to limited-English proficient households in affected areas as well as free legal services for immigrant families.

- [Read the full press release](#)



Did you Know?

In the last 7 months, more than 80 public school groups made contributions totaling \$70,904.17 to the Mayor's Fund in support of Hurricane Sandy relief and recovery efforts. This included basketball contests, family fun nights, bake sales, and more held by students and teachers, parent associations, and school councils. Thank you to these dedicated public school communities for helping our city recover and rebuild.



Website Redesign

Our website has a new look for summer! We would like to extend our special thanks to the NYC Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications for their great work. The redesign, along with our social media engagement, has been nominated for the 2013 EngageNYC Awards. Check out our digital channels and read about [last year's awards](#).

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