



# **Coming Home: Transitioning Back into the Community**

**A Resource Directory**

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This directory provides information about resources available to young people in New York City who are leaving detention.

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## Commissioner's Message

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I am pleased to present a resource directory for court-involved youth leaving detention and returning to the community. Our goal is simple: to provide resources for young people in order to create working, engaged and responsible adults who can contribute to the community.

Like the rest of the country, New York City is determined to reduce the number of youth entering the juvenile justice system. Research shows that minimizing the amount of time a young person spends inside the courts increases their likelihood of becoming successful adults. We also know that when we provide the right tools and support, we are able to improve the lives of young people who were once at risk.

I would like to thank the Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC) Court-Involved Youth Work Group for working together to provide a list that will help young people gain access to organizations that provide essential services for New York City youth. Their joint efforts are an example of how public and private partnerships can help alter the scope of the City's challenges and contribute to its many successes.

**Bill Chong**, *Commissioner*  
Department of Youth and Community Development  
ICC Director



## A Message from the Working Group

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This guide is intended to provide resource information to youth transitioning back into the community. It offers helpful information in the areas of education, employment, health, family services, substance/alcohol use, housing and legal advocacy.

The guide was put together by members of the Interagency Coordinating Council Court-Involved Youth Work Group, City-based government agencies, service providers and community-based organizations. The resources recommended in this document were selected due to their experience in serving this population. For additional resources, please contact the Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) information and referral line, Youth Connect, at (800) 246-4646.

**Dr. Luis W. Osorio**, *Chairperson*  
ICC Court-Involved Youth Work Group

### **Special thanks to the following ICC Court-Involved Youth Work Group affiliates for their contributions to this guide.**

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NYC LAW DEPARTMENT - OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL

CENTER FOR COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES

NYS OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR KINGS COUNTY

NYC DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - DISTRICT 79

POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE NYC

NYC DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

THE NEW YORK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

NYC DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION

THE LGBT CENTER

NYC DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

YOUTH POWER

This guide was created to assist youth involved in the juvenile criminal justice system, including young people who have spent time in detention. Legal assistance and support from family or friends provide a source of encouragement and guidance during these difficult times. The transition back into the community after time spent in detention can be overwhelming and even scary.

Community programs can offer support in areas such as housing, practical assistance, education, legal rights, and job preparation and searches, as well as drug and alcohol treatment. We hope this directory will help identify existing community resources that youth need in order to become successful.

### Hotlines

#### **Department of Youth and Community**

**Development Youth Connect:** (800) 246-4646

Connects callers to an array of local services and resources for youth including: teen parenting skills classes, youth employment opportunities, education and training programs, and afterschool programs.

#### **Advocates for Children of New York - Education**

**Helpline:** (866) 427-6033

Provides free assistance, advocacy and information on all education-related matters in New York City.

#### **Anti-Violence Project New York City:**

(212) 714-1141

Provides crisis intervention hotline, support groups for hate violence, sexual violence and intimate partner violence survivors, legal clinic and community-based direct services and outreach projects for LGBTQ and HIV+ affected individuals and survivors.

**BRAVEline:** (212) 709-3222; text (646) 490-0233

The BRAVE (Building Respect, Acceptance, and Voice through Education) anti-bullying helpline connects public school children with clinicians and mental health professionals that provide crisis intervention, suicide risk assessments and help with coping skills.

**Covenant House Nine Line:** (800) 999-9999

Offers crisis intervention and referrals to young people under 21 and their families about topics such as family, relationships, basic needs, abuse, health, sex, feelings, and drugs and alcohol.

**LifeNet:** (800) 543-3638

Staffed by behavioral health professionals who offer referrals to mental health, substance abuse and social service providers.

#### **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:**

(800) 273-8255

A 24-hour, toll-free suicide prevention hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

#### **Safe Horizon Hotlines:**

TDD Phone Number For all Safe Horizon

Hotlines - (866) 604-5350

24/7 Toll Free Hotline - (800) 621-HOPE (4673)

Crime Victim Hotline - (866) 689-HELP (4357)

Hotline for Rape and Sexual Assault - (212) 227-3000

Provides counseling and support, prevents violence, and promotes justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families and communities.

#### **The City Bar Justice Center Legal Hotline:**

(212) 626-7383

Provides free basic legal advice on a range of civil issues such as family law, consumer debt, employment and landlord-tenant law.

### Education

#### New York City Department of Education

In NYC, children are required to attend school from age six through the end of the school year in which they turn 17. If no diploma has been granted, children may remain in school until the end of the school year in which they turn 21.

Students in the care of social welfare agencies, juvenile justice agencies and correctional agencies or returning to the community must be admitted into schools in the same manner as other students.

The NYC Department of Education (NYCDOE) provides educational services to students who are court-involved through programs run by District 79: Passages Academy, East River Academy, ReStart Academy and Phoenix Academy.

#### Borough Enrollment Offices and Referral Centers Help Students Re-Connect with School

📄 [schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment](https://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment)

The NYCDOE also offers high school diploma options for students who have fallen behind, such as transfer schools and Young Adult Borough Centers (YABCs). Referral Centers can help students understand their options and how to access these options. For YABCs, students must be 17.5–21 years of age, have a minimum of 17 course credits, be in the fifth year (or more) of high school and be enrolled or become enrolled in a NYC high school. Students must have completed the school year in which they turn 17 (school year begins July 1).

To enroll in Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) (formerly General Education Development – GED) Plus, the NYC DOE’s TASC preparation program, or a TASC (formerly GED) program in the community, students must have completed the school year in which they turned 17 years old.

Students who are 21 years old or older may enroll in TASC (formerly GED) programming with the Office of Adult & Continuing Education, or in a community-based TASC (formerly GED) program.

Court liaisons are available to assist court-involved students and their families so that students experience minimal interruption to their education. They provide information that supports court-involved students in achieving their goals.

#### Department of Education Court Liaison Contacts

**BRONX FAMILY COURT**  
900 SHERIDAN AVENUE, ROOM 6B19  
BRONX, NY 10451  
(718) 681-5999

**BROOKLYN CRIMINAL COURT**  
120 SCHERMERHORN STREET, ROOM 811  
BROOKLYN, NY 11201  
(347) 404-9561

**BROOKLYN FAMILY COURT**  
330 JAY STREET, 11TH FLOOR  
BROOKLYN, NY 11201  
(718) 802-2622

**MANHATTAN FAMILY COURT**  
60 LAFAYETTE STREET, ROOM 3C7  
NEW YORK, NY 10013  
(212) 442-8548

**QUEENS FAMILY COURT**  
151-20 JAMAICA AVENUE, ROOM B103  
QUEENS, NY 11432  
(718) 291-8613

**QUEENS SUPREME COURT**  
125-01 QUEENS BOULEVARD, ROOM 322.02  
KEW GARDENS, NY 11415  
(718) 298-1379

*\*Staten Island residents please call the Referral Center - 450 St. Marks Place, Staten Island, NY 10301 at (718) 273- 3225*



To empower students through rigorous instruction and quality support services and to serve as a model for innovative and replicable strategies to engage students. *Ages 21 and under*

- BASIC EDUCATION, ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)
- CHILDCARE AND REFERRAL SERVICES
- EMOTIONAL SUPPORT
- TASC (FORMERLY GED) PLUS SUBSTANCE ABUSE INTERVENTION PROGRAM FOR NYC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
- CAREER AND TECHNICAL TRAINING COURSES

**Citywide**

**Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD), (800) 246-4646**

You can search for programs in your neighborhood by going to the following web page:  
[www.nyc.gov/dycd](http://www.nyc.gov/dycd)

DYCD supports youth and their families by funding a wide range of high-quality programs.

**Adolescent Literacy Program** - A pilot project for students in grades 6 and 7. Providers have partnered with 10 middle schools to offer afterschool programs designed to strengthen reading, writing and communication skills.

**Adult Literacy Program** - Helps adults acquire the reading and writing skills to further their education.

**English Language Program** - Whether you speak a little English or none at all, DYCD funds language programs to meet your needs. This includes reading, writing, Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) (formerly General Equivalency Diploma - GED) and English language classes.

**Manhattan**

**District 79 Alternative Schools and Programs for NYC**

**District Office of Student Support Services**

4360 Broadway (Room 402), New York, NY 10033  
 (917) 521-3639, [www.goingforme.org](http://www.goingforme.org)

**Advocates for Children of New York**

151 West 30th Street, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10001  
 (212) 947-9779, [www.advocatesforchildren.org](http://www.advocatesforchildren.org)

To promote access to the best education New York City can provide for all students, especially students of color and students from low-income backgrounds. *Ages 0-26*

- EARLY CHILDHOOD
- IMMIGRANT STUDENTS AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS
- LEGAL COUNSEL INCLUDING REPRESENTATION AT SCHOOL-RELATED HEARINGS AND APPEALS
- STUDENT ASSISTANCE ON ISSUES INCLUDING DISABILITIES, DISCIPLINE, CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND TEMPORARY HOUSING
- INFORMATIVE WORKSHOPS, FREE BROCHURES, FACT SHEETS, TIP SHEETS TO FAMILIES

**Center for Alternative Sentencing and Employment Services**

346 Broadway, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10013  
 (212) 732-0076, [www.cases.org](http://www.cases.org)

To increase the understanding and use of community sanctions that are fair, affordable and consistent with public safety and to help New York City's justice-involved young people lead productive, crime-free lives. *Ages 16-24*

- TASC (FORMERLY GED) APPLYING TO COLLEGE
- GOAL-SETTING WEEKLY GROUP SEMINARS
- SIX MONTHS OF POST-PROGRAM SUPPORT
- WORK READINESS TRAINING SEMINARS
- PLACEMENT IN PAID INTERNSHIP



## Education

### Doing Art Together Inc.

127 West 127th Street, Suite 107, New York, NY 10027  
(212) 245-8132, [www.doingarttogether.org](http://www.doingarttogether.org)

To awaken and enrich the intellectual, social and cultural development of under-resourced New York City youth, inspiring them to pursue their learning. *Ages 18 and under, teachers and parents*

- ART FOR PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND LEARNING STRATEGIES IN EDUCATION
- CREATIVE CAREERS AND ARTS-BASED LEARNING EXPLORATION
- CREATIVE EDUCATIONAL GROWTH EXPERIENCES (CREATIVEEDGE)
- PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOPS
- ART INTEGRATION IN-SCHOOL AND AFTERSCHOOL

### The Hetrick-Martin Institute

2 Astor Place, 3rd Floor, New York, NY 10003  
(212) 674-2400, [www.hmi.org](http://www.hmi.org)

Seeks to foster healthy youth development and provide a safe and supportive environment for all young people in which to achieve their full potential, regardless of sexual orientation or identity. *Ages 12-24, LGBTQ youth*

- CRISIS COUNSELING
- HEALTH AND WELLNESS
- HOMELESS SERVICE
- INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING
- JOB READINESS
- GROUP COUNSELING
- ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT

### Urban Dove - Church Street Station

PO Box 305, New York, NY 10008  
(212) 244-2131, [www.urbandove.org](http://www.urbandove.org)

To enrich the lives of New York City's at-risk youth by creating and managing sports-based recreational activities in a supportive, positive environment where kids can develop the confidence they need to reach their full potential. *Ages 8-18*

- COLLEGE ALL-STARS
- COLLEGE PREPARATION
- COMMUNITY SERVICE
- SPORTS-BASED RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES
- SUMMER JOBS
- URBAN DOVE SUMMER DAY CAMP
- WEEKEND LEADERSHIP RETREATS
- YOUTH TO YOUTH MENTORSHIP

## Bronx

### Bronx Adolescent Skills Center

975 Kelly Street, Suite 302, Bronx, NY 10459  
(718) 292-7880, [www.mhaofnyc.org](http://www.mhaofnyc.org)

To provide a safe, friendly, educational and nurturing environment where all students can have the opportunity to excel, grow and achieve their goals. *Ages 16-21*

- EDUCATION INSTRUCTION AND TUTORING
- CASE MANAGEMENT
- VOCATIONAL COUNSELING

### Future NOW Program

Bronx Community College - Gould Residence Hall, 5th Floor, 2155 University Avenue, Bronx, NY 10453  
(718) 289-5852, [www.bcc.cuny.edu](http://www.bcc.cuny.edu)

Provides participants with educational and vocational development and empowerment. *Ages 17-21*

- TASC (FORMERLY GED) PLUS AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING CLASSES
- COMPUTER ASSEMBLY & APPLICATION TRAINING
- JOB PLACEMENT SERVICES
- COUNSELING AND CAREER EXPLORATION
- WORK READINESS TRAINING
- COLLEGE ENROLLMENT SERVICES

### Job Corps - South Bronx Center

1771 Andrews Avenue, Bronx, NY 10453  
(718) 731-7700, [southbronx.jobcorps.gov](http://southbronx.jobcorps.gov)

Provides eligible young men and women with an opportunity to gain the experience they need to begin a career or advance to higher education. *Ages 16-24*

- CAREER EXPLORATION
- DRIVER'S EDUCATION
- HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR TASC (FORMERLY GED)
- EMPLOYMENT
- HEALTH AND DENTAL CARE

## Queens

### Center for Community Education/CUNY CATCH

Division of Adult and Continuing Education  
LaGuardia Community College  
31-10 Thomson Avenue, C-232,  
Long Island City, NY 11101  
(718) 482-5128, [www.laguardia.edu](http://www.laguardia.edu)

Serves at-risk adolescents attending high school and preparing for release to their home communities.  
*Ages 17–24, discharged from Correction*

- TASC (FORMERLY GED) TEST PREPARATION
- COLLEGE ENROLLMENT
- EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE
- SUPPLEMENTARY ACTIVITIES
- COUNSELING

### East River Academy

1111 Hazen Street, Flushing, NY 11370  
(718) 626-7835, [www.eastriveracademy.com](http://www.eastriveracademy.com)

To ensure that students make academic and social/emotional progress and to provide a successful plan for their transition. *Ages 16–21*

- GETTING OUT STAYING OUT
- THE OSBOURNE ASSOCIATION
- POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE
- FRIENDS OF ISLAND ACADEMY
- TRANSPORTATION: METRO CARDS

## Brooklyn

### Job Corps - Brooklyn Center

585 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11205  
(718) 623-4000, [brooklyn.jobcorps.gov](http://brooklyn.jobcorps.gov)

Provides eligible young men and women an opportunity to gain career experience and advance to higher education. *Ages 16–24*

- CAREER EXPLORATION
- HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR TASC (FORMERLY GED)
- EMPLOYMENT
- DRIVER'S EDUCATION
- HEALTH AND DENTAL CARE

## Employment

### Citywide

### Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD)

(800) 246-4646, [www.nyc.gov/dycd](http://www.nyc.gov/dycd)

DYCD supports New York City youth and their families by funding a wide range of high-quality youth and community development programs. *Ages 14–24*

### Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

A seven-week summer employment program open to young people ages of 14 and 24.

### Young Adult Internship Program (YAIP)

A 14-week internship program for low-income NYC young people who are not working and not in school. *Ages 16–24*

### Work Learn Grow Employment Program (WLG)

A readiness training program that focuses on career exploration, financial literacy, conflict resolution, résumé/cover letter development and opportunities to continue education and social growth. *Ages 14–24*

### NYC Ladders for Leaders

An innovative program that offers high school and college students the opportunity to participate in summer internships with some of the most dynamic corporations and businesses in NYC. *Ages 16–21*

### In-School Youth (ISY) Program

Provides occupational skills, employment services, and educational opportunities to low-income high school juniors and seniors.

### Out-of-School Youth (OSY) Program

Provides extensive job training and employment services to 16–21 year-olds who are not enrolled in school.

- PAID INTERNSHIPS/JOB PLACEMENT
- TRAINING OR EDUCATIONAL SETTINGS



## New York City Justice Corps

📍 [www.nycjusticecorps.org](http://www.nycjusticecorps.org)

Bronx - Phipps Community Development Corporation  
1409 Fulton Avenue, Bronx, NY 10456  
(347) 329-4004

Brooklyn - Center for Community Alternatives  
100 Pennsylvania Avenue, 2nd Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11207  
(929) 234-3636

Manhattan - Harlem Community Justice Center  
127 West 127th Street, New York, NY 10027  
(646) 593-8520

Queens - Center for Alternative Sentencing  
and Employment Services, Inc.  
89-31 161 Street, Jamaica, NY 11432  
(347) 796-4111

Brings young adults involved with the criminal justice system together with their communities to address unmet needs. *Ages 18-24*

- SERVICE LEARNING
- YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

## Center for Employment Opportunities (CEO)

32 Broadway, 15th Floor, New York, NY 10004  
(212) 422-4430, 📍 [www.ceoworks.org](http://www.ceoworks.org)

To provide immediate, effective and comprehensive employment services to men and women with recent criminal convictions. Help participants regain the skills and confidence needed for a successful transition to a stable, productive life. *Ages 18-25*

- FIVE-DAY PRE-EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOP
- HELP NAVIGATING PUBLIC BENEFITS
- HELP PARENTS PROVIDE FINANCIAL/EMOTIONAL SUPPORT TO CHILDREN
- JOB SEARCH AND JOB MATCHING WITH JOB DEVELOPERS
- POST-EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
- RÉSUMÉ AND INTERVIEW HELP BY JOB COACHES

## Manhattan

## Legal Action Center - National Hire Network

225 Varick Street, New York, NY 10014  
(212) 243-1313, 📍 [www.hirenetwork.org](http://www.hirenetwork.org)

To increase the number and quality of job opportunities available to people with criminal records by changing public policies, employment practices and public opinion. *Ages 14-24*

- CAREER AWARENESS
- FINANCIAL LITERACY
- EMPLOYMENT SKILLS

## STRIVE

## East Harlem Employment Service, Inc.

1820 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10029  
(212) 360-1100, 📍 [www.strivenewyork.org](http://www.strivenewyork.org)

Committed to serving the hardest-to-employ, most at-risk individuals to help them acquire the life-changing skills and attitudes needed to overcome challenging circumstances, find sustained employment and become valuable contributors to their families and their communities. *All ages*

- CAREER DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS
- CASE MANAGEMENT
- EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE
- FATHERHOOD COUNSELING AND TRAINING (PARENTING SKILLS, RELATIONSHIPS)

## The Fortune Society

625 West 140th Street, New York, NY 10031  
(212) 862-0614, 📍 [www.fortunesociety.org](http://www.fortunesociety.org)

To support successful reentry from prison and promote alternatives to detention, thus strengthening the fabric of our communities. *Ages 18+*

- HOUSING
- ALTERNATIVES TO DETENTION
- EDUCATION
- EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
- HEALTH SERVICES

## Wildcat Service Corporation

17 Battery Place, New York, NY 10004  
(212) 209-6000, 📍 [www.wildcatnyc.org](http://www.wildcatnyc.org)

Provides job opportunities and resources for New Yorkers to become economically independent. Individuals with criminal records, young mothers and fathers, and out-of-school youth are served.

- COUNSELING
- WORK PROGRAMS

## Brooklyn

### Cypress Hills Youth Build

832 Jamaica Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11208  
(718) 277-3600, [www.cypresshills.org](http://www.cypresshills.org)

To build a strong, sustainable Cypress Hills/East New York, where youth and adults achieve educational and economic success, secure affordable housing and develop leadership skills to transform their lives and community. *Ages 14–24*

- CAREER AWARENESS
- FINANCIAL LITERACY
- EMPLOYMENT SKILLS

### Exalt

175 Remsen Street, Suite 1000, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(347) 381-8100, [www.exaltyouth.org](http://www.exaltyouth.org)

To transform the lives of court-involved youth by equipping them with the skills and experience necessary to become self-sufficient. *Ages 15–19*

- PRE-INTERNSHIP TRAINING
- POST-INTERNSHIP SEMINARS AND SERVICES
- TRAINING
- ALUMNI NETWORK

### Independence Inn

305 Weirfield Street, Brooklyn, NY 11211  
(718) 326-5931, [www.sco.org](http://www.sco.org)

Provides older homeless adolescents and young women with the training and skills necessary to establish for them a self-supporting, independent life. *Ages 16–20 with child up to age 5*

- EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
- JOB PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE
- COUNSELING
- MONEY MANAGEMENT
- HOME MAINTENANCE
- VOCATIONAL TRAINING

### Opportunities for a Better Tomorrow

783 Fourth Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11232  
(718) 369-0303, [www.obtjobs.org](http://www.obtjobs.org)

To help disadvantaged youth and adults recognize their own self-worth, advance towards self-sufficiency and financial security through job training, obtain academic reinforcement, improved life skills and job placement, and support services. *Ages 17–26*

- DIGITAL CAREER PATH JOB TRAINING
- JOB SKILLS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS
- YOUTH EMPLOYMENT TRAINING & TASC (FORMERLY GED)
- YOUNG ADULT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM
- POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE YOUTH WORKS
- YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

### Police Athletic Leagues Youth Employment Department

338 37th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11232  
(718) 389-5309, [www.palnyc.org](http://www.palnyc.org)

Supports and inspires NYC youth to realize their full individual potential as productive members of society. *Ages 14–24*

- EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE
- YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
- SUMMER EMPLOYMENT

### Year Up New York

9 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(347) 296-0210, [www.yearup.org](http://www.yearup.org)

To close the Opportunity Divide by providing urban young adults with the skills, experience and support that will empower them to reach their potential through professional careers and higher education. *Ages 18–24, High School Graduates or TASC (formerly GED) Recipients*

- INTENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM
- COLLEGE CREDITS
- SIX MONTH INTERNSHIP WITH GOVERNMENT OR CORPORATE PARTNER

## Health/Mental Health

### Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

125 Worth Street, New York, NY 10013  
(212) 788-526, [www.nyc.gov](http://www.nyc.gov)

To protect and promote the health of all New Yorkers. *All ages*

- NYC YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY
- FOOD PROTECTION COURSE
- FREE & CONFIDENTIAL SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASE CLINICS
- HEALTHY CHILDREN
- HEPATITIS SERVICES
- IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION
- PREGNANCY & BABY CARE

**New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Nurse - Family Partnership**

Call 311 for information and ask for the Nurse-Family Partnership  
📧 [www.nyc.gov](http://www.nyc.gov)

Any woman or teenager who is pregnant with her first baby and meets income requirements. All ages and regardless of immigration status. *No cost.*

- FIRST TIME MOTHERS LINKED TO SPECIALLY TRAINED NURSES
- HOME VISITS MADE BY NURSES THROUGHOUT PREGNANCY AND UNTIL THE BABY IS TWO YEARS OLD
- HELP BUILD STRONG NETWORK OF FAMILY AND FRIENDS
- HELP TO MAKE THE HOME A SAFE PLACE FOR THE BABY
- PROVIDE GUIDANCE IN CONTINUING EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT
- PROVIDE REFERRALS FOR HEALTH CARE, CHILD CARE, MENTAL HEALTH CARE, JOB TRAINING AND OTHER SERVICES

**Manhattan**

**Mental Health Association of New York City**

50 Broadway, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10004  
(212) 254-0333, 📧 [www.mhaofnyc.org](http://www.mhaofnyc.org)

To improve the lives of individuals and families affected by mental illness while promoting the importance of mental health by identifying unmet needs and developing culturally sensitive programs. *All ages*

- ADOLESCENT SKILLS CENTER
- CASE MANAGEMENT
- COORDINATED CHILDREN'S SERVICE INITIATIVE (CCSI)
- COUNSELING
- FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS
- PEER SUPPORT
- RECOVERY WORKS
- SUPPORTED HOUSING

**Brooklyn**

**SCO Family Services**

570 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11217  
(718) 895-2555, 📧 [www.sco.org](http://www.sco.org)

Provide the support and coping skills children and young adults with emotional disorders need to live and function in their communities. *Children and Young Adults*

- MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
- DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY SERVICES
- HOMELESS SERVICES
- FAMILY COUNSELING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES
- EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS



**Family Services**

**Department of Youth and Community Development - Fatherhood Initiative**

(800) 246-4646, 📧 [www.nyc.gov/dycd](http://www.nyc.gov/dycd)

Help fathers increase engagement and responsibility in relationship with his child/children and provide material and financial support to his child/children. *Fathers Ages 16-24 and fathers Ages 25+, ex-court involved adults*

- PARENTING SKILL CLASSES
- ASSISTANCE WITH ISSUES OF CHILD SUPPORT
- ASSISTANCE WITH ARRANGING CHILD VISITATION
- PEER COUNSELING AND FATHER-TO-FATHER MENTORING
- EMPLOYMENT COUNSELING AND REFERRALS
- COLLEGE PREPARATION

**Safe Horizon**

📧 [www.safehorizon.org](http://www.safehorizon.org)

Bronx/Manhattan Community Program  
100 East 122nd Street, New York, NY 10035  
(212) 316-2100

Brooklyn Community Program  
50 Court Street, 9th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 834-6688

Queens Community Program  
74-09 37th Avenue, Jackson Heights, NY 11372  
(718) 899-1233

Staten Island Community Program  
30 Bay Street, 5th Floor, Staten Island, NY 10301  
(718) 720-2591

Provides support, prevents violence and promotes justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families, and communities. *All Ages*

- SAFETY ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
- CRISIS COUNSELING
- INDIVIDUAL/GROUP COUNSELING
- ADVOCACY/COURT ACCOMPANIMENT

### Brooklyn

#### Crown Heights Mediation Center

256 Kingston Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11213  
(718) 773-6886

[www.crownheightsmediationcenter.org](http://www.crownheightsmediationcenter.org)

Promotes community cohesion in a neighborhood known for fragmentation and improves community problem-solving, collaboration and inter-group relations in Crown Heights, Brooklyn. *All ages*

- INFORMATION ON EDUCATION
- PARENTING
- HOUSING
- IMMIGRATION
- PROVIDING SUPPORT TO AT RISK YOUTH

#### Gender Responsive Re-entry Support and Assistance Program (GRASP)

350 Jay Street, 12th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 250-3800, [www.brooklynda.org](http://www.brooklynda.org)

To assist and support participants and their families with managing psychosocial stressors, setting educational/vocational goals, and abstaining from recidivating with the criminal justice system. *Ages 13–25*

- ANGER MANAGEMENT
- CAREER EXPLORATION/EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT
- CASE MANAGEMENT
- FAMILY SUPPORT
- INDIVIDUAL/GROUP MENTORING

#### Groundswell

540 President Street, Suite 1A, Brooklyn, NY 11215  
(718) 254-9782, [www.groundswellmural.org](http://www.groundswellmural.org)

Groundswell brings together artists, youth and community organizations to use art as a tool for social change. Our projects beautify neighborhoods, engage youth in societal and personal transformation and give expression to ideas and perspectives that are underrepresented. *Ages 14–21*

- SEGUE (GRADUATES OF TURNSTYLE): SKILL DEVELOPMENT
- MURAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM FOR YOUTH IN DETENTION
- COLLABORATIVE PUBLIC ART PROJECTS
- TURNSTYLE ALTERNATIVE TO DETENTION PROJECT

### Substance/Alcohol Use

#### Manhattan

##### Day Top

104 West 40th Street, New York, NY 10018  
(212) 354-6000, (800) 2DAYTOP or (800) 232-9867  
[www.daytop.org](http://www.daytop.org)

Provides treatment for individuals and families leading to a healthy, drug-free life through services that are individual, comprehensive and multidisciplinary without regard to race, religion, and nationality or socio-economic status. *Youth and Adolescents*

- PROFESSIONAL COUNSELING
- MEDICAL, SOCIAL AND SPIRITUAL ATTENTION
- FAMILY-ORIENTED SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

##### Phoenix House

164 West 74th Street, New York, NY 10023  
(646) 505-2176 or (800) 378-4435  
[www.phoenixhouse.org](http://www.phoenixhouse.org)

Committed to protecting and supporting individuals, families and communities affected by substance abuse and dependency. *Adults and Adolescents*

- AFTERSCHOOL
- OUTPATIENT TREATMENT FOR ADOLESCENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES
- SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSERS IN RECOVERY

## Project Return – Palladia Inc.

2006 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10035  
(212) 979-8800, [www.palladiainc.org](http://www.palladiainc.org)

Palladia enhances the quality of life for individuals and families in New York who seek our help in their struggle with addiction, homelessness, domestic violence and trauma. Helps change lives by providing innovative programming, compassionate care and solutions to critical problems.

- BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FOR INDIVIDUALS STRUGGLING WITH ADDICTION
- HOUSING SERVICES
- HOMELESS AND SHELTER SERVICES
- FAMILY SERVICES

## Staten Island

### Staten Island YMCA Counseling Services

[www.ymcanyc.org/counseling](http://www.ymcanyc.org/counseling)

South Shore Center  
3911 Richmond Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10312  
(718) 948-3232

North Shore Center  
285 Vanderbilt Avenue, Staten Island, NY 10304  
(718) 981-4382

The Staten Island YMCA Counseling Service offers hope to individuals and families whose lives have been turned upside down by addiction. Since 1980, we have provided the Staten Island community with comprehensive prevention and treatment services that promote the development of spirit, mind and body. Our state-licensed outpatient program includes treatment services for adults and older teens, prevention services for at-risk youth, and counseling services for children whose lives have been affected by a family member's addiction.

- INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING
- GROUP COUNSELING
- CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES
- DRUG SCREENINGS
- FAMILY THERAPY
- DRUG/ALCOHOL USE COUNSELING
- REFERRALS TO LEGAL COUNSELING



## Housing

### Manhattan

#### Boys Town

281 Park Avenue South, 5th Floor, New York, NY 10010  
(212) 725-4260, [www.boystown.org](http://www.boystown.org)

Strengthen struggling families so they can stay together. *Children and Families*

- FAMILY HOMES
- INTERVENTION AND ASSESSMENT
- IN-HOME FAMILY SERVICES
- ALTERNATIVE TO DETENTION PROGRAM
- COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

#### Henry Street Settlement

265 Henry Street, New York, NY 10002  
(212) 766-9200, [www.henrystreet.org](http://www.henrystreet.org)

Provides social services, arts programs and health care services to New Yorkers of all ages.

- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SURVIVORS SHELTER
- HOUSING FOR HOMELESS FEMALE ADULTS
- PERMANENT HOUSING RESIDENCE FOR NEW YORKERS
- FACING HOMELESSNESS AND MENTAL ILLNESS
- TEMPORARY EMERGENCY HOUSING FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES

**Safe Horizon - Streetwork Drop-In Center**

Harlem, 209 West 125th Street, 2nd Floor  
 New York, NY 10027  
 (212) 695-2220; (800) 708-6600

**Streetwork Drop-In Center** - Lower East Side  
 33 Essex Street, New York, NY 10002  
 (646) 602-6404, [www.safehorizon.org](http://www.safehorizon.org)

Provides support, prevents violence and promotes justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families and communities. *Ages 13–23 homeless and street-involved youth; LGBTQ-friendly*

- ADVOCACY
- CLOTHING
- CRISIS COUNSELING
- INDIVIDUAL/GROUP COUNSELING
- HOT MEALS AND SHOWERS
- HOUSING ADVOCACY
- REFERRALS TO SAFE HORIZON'S OVERNIGHT RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM

**Safe Horizon** - Streetwork Overnight Residential Program-Confidential Location. Referrals by calling the Streetwork Drop-In Centers.

Provides support, prevents violence and promotes justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families and communities. *Ages 16–21 homeless and street-involved youth; LGBTQ-friendly*

- HARM REDUCTION MODEL
- SAFETY ASSESSMENT AND RISK MANAGEMENT
- CLOTHING
- COUNSELING AND SUPPORT GROUPS
- HOT MEALS AND SHOWERS

**The Ali Forney Center**

224 West 35th Street 15th Floor, New York, NY 10001  
 (212) 222-3427, [www.aliforneycenter.org](http://www.aliforneycenter.org)

To protect lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning (LGBTQ) youth from the harm of homelessness, and support them in becoming safe and independent as they move from adolescence to adulthood. *Ages 16–24, homeless LGBTQ youths*

- DAY CENTER
- EMERGENCY HOUSING
- TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

**Brooklyn**

**CAMBA's Gathering Place Homeless Drop-in Center**

1720 Church Avenue 2nd Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11226  
 (718) 287-2600; Hearing Impairments: (800) 662-1220, general information: [info@camba.org](mailto:info@camba.org)

Reconnects clients to treatment services and assist in their transition into a shelter or permanent housing. *Ages 18+*

- LAUNDRY FACILITIES
- CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES
- MEDICAL AND MENTAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES

**Legal Advocacy**

**Manhattan**

**Legal Action Center**

225 Varick Street, New York, NY 10014  
 (212) 243-1313, [www.lac.org](http://www.lac.org)

To fight discrimination against people with histories of addiction, HIV/AIDS or criminal records, and to advocate for sound public policies in these areas. The Legal Action Center is committed to helping people reclaim their lives, maintain their dignity and participate fully in society.

- LEGAL ADVICE AND REPRESENTATION
- OBTAIN AND CORRECT INFORMATION ON RAP SHEETS
- OBTAIN CERTIFICATES OF REHABILITATION
- FILE EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS
- ASSIST WITH HEALTHCARE PROXIES, LIVING WILLS, PERMANENCY PLANNING AND GOVERNMENT BENEFITS





### Streetwise and Safe

147 West 24th Street, 4th Floor, New York, NY 10011  
(212) 929-0562, [www.streetwiseandsafe.org](http://www.streetwiseandsafe.org)

To build and share leadership, skill, knowledge and community among LGBTQ youth of color who experience criminalization, particularly in the context of the policing of poverty, “quality of life” offenses and perceived involvement in survival economies. LGBTQ youth of color who have encounters with police.

- NAVIGATING THE JUSTICE SYSTEM: ONLINE JUSTICE MAP
- KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WORKSHOPS/BLOGS

### Legal Aid Society Headquarters

199 Water Street, New York, NY 10038  
(212) 577-3300, [www.legal-aid.org](http://www.legal-aid.org)

To provide quality legal representation to low-income New Yorkers. It is dedicated to one simple but powerful belief: that no New Yorker should be denied access to justice because of poverty. Free legal services to low-income individuals and families.

- SELF-HELP GUIDE
- “KNOW YOUR RIGHT” BROCHURES
- COURT INVOLVED SITUATIONS
- LEGAL REPRESENTATION IN HOUSING, DISABILITY, HIV/AIDS AND GOVERNMENT BENEFITS
- JUVENILE RIGHTS

### Youth Represent

11 Park Place, Suite 1512, New York, NY 10007  
(646) 759-8087

Ensure that young people affected by the criminal justice system are afforded every opportunity to reclaim lives of dignity, self-fulfillment and engagement in their communities. *Ages 24 and under*

- CRIMINAL DEFENSE REPRESENTATION
- CIVIL LEGAL REPRESENTATION ADVOCATE FOR LAWS AND POLICIES THAT IMPROVE YOUNG PEOPLE’S OPPORTUNITIES
- POLICY REFORM
- REPRESENT YOUTH IN SCHOOL SUSPENSION HEARING
- KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WORKSHOPS
- EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICE PROGRAMS

### Bronx Defenders

860 Courtland Avenue, Bronx, NY 10451  
(718) 838-7878, [www.bronxdefenders.org](http://www.bronxdefenders.org)

A commitment to providing inclusive and extensive services drives each and every Bronx Defenders’ staff member. We are dedicated to effecting change on both a wide scale and on an individual basis. All ages, residents of the Bronx or case pending in the Bronx.

- CRIMINAL DEFENSE
- FAMILY DEFENSE
- SOCIAL WORK CONNECTING CLIENTS TO RESOURCES
- COMMUNITY EDUCATION
- “KNOW YOUR RIGHTS” GUIDES
- CIVIL ACTION

## Comprehensive Services

### Manhattan

#### The Children’s Aid Society - Dunlevy Milbank Center

14-32 West 118th Street, New York, NY 10026  
(212) 996-1716, [www.childrensaidsociety.org](http://www.childrensaidsociety.org)

Provides comprehensive supports to children and their families in targeted high-needs New York City neighborhoods. *Ages 5–18*

- ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE
- AFTERSCHOOL AND WEEKEND PROGRAMS
- ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY PREVENTION
- FAMILY SUPPORT
- SPORTS AND RECREATION
- HEALTH SERVICES
- JUVENILE JUSTICE
- LEGAL ADVOCACY
- YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

#### Covenant House

461 Eighth Avenue, New York, NY 10001  
(800) 388-3888; (800) 999-9999  
[help@nineline.org](mailto:help@nineline.org)

To protect and fight for the rights of young people. To speak for those who have no voice of their own. *Ages 18–21*

- CRISIS COUNSELING
- INDIVIDUALIZED COUNSELING
- TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM
- MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
- MOTHER AND CHILD PROGRAMS
- HEALTH SERVICES
- REGIONAL TRAINING CENTERS
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES
- VOCATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE

## The Door

555 Broome Street, New York, NY 10013  
(212) 941-9090, [www.door.org](http://www.door.org)

To empower young people to reach their potential by providing youth development services in a diverse and caring environment. *Ages 12–21*

- EMPLOYMENT/ INTERNSHIPS
- FOSTER CARE
- TASC (FORMERLY GED)/ COLLEGE OR VOCATIONAL TRAINING
- HEALTH AND DENTAL SERVICES
- LEGAL AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES
- RUNAWAY AND HOMELESS YOUTH SERVICES
- LGBTQ SERVICES
- SEXUAL HEALTH & BIRTH CONTROL
- SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

## The Fortune Society

625 West 140th Street, New York, NY 10031  
(212) 862-0614, [www.fortunesociety.org](http://www.fortunesociety.org)

To support successful reentry from prison and promote alternatives to incarceration, strengthening the fabric of our communities. *All ages*

- EDUCATION
- EMPLOYMENT SERVICES
- ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION
- FAMILY SERVICES-HOUSING
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT
- TRANSITIONAL SERVICES
- HEALTH SERVICES
- THE BETTER LIVING CENTER

## Youth at Risk - Fatherhood Program

116 John Street, Suite 2200, New York, NY 10038  
(212) 791-4927 ext. 231, [www.nyouthatrisk.org](http://www.nyouthatrisk.org)

To help young fathers, ages 16–25 years of age, become materially responsible and emotionally engaged in their children’s lives.

- EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE
- TASC (FORMERLY GED)/ EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS
- MENTORING
- INDIVIDUAL & GROUP COUNSELING/ CONFLICT MEDIATION
- PARENTING CLASSES

## The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center

208 West 13th Street, New York, NY 10011  
(212) 620-7310, [www.gaycenter.org](http://www.gaycenter.org)

To provide a home for the birth, nurture and celebration of our organizations, institutions and culture; cares for our individuals and groups in need; educates the public and our community; and empowers our individuals and groups to achieve their potential.

*All ages, with programming available for ages 13–21*

- COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH SERVICES
- INDIVIDUAL AND FAMILY COUNSELING
- ARTS AND RECREATION
- SUMMER CAMP
- SOCIAL EVENTS

## Girls Educational and Mentoring Services (GEMS)

(212) 926-8089, [www.gems-girls.org](http://www.gems-girls.org)

Empower girls and young women, ages 12–24, who have experienced commercial sexual exploitation and domestic trafficking, to exit the commercial sex industry and develop to their full potential. GEMS is committed to ending commercial sexual exploitation and domestic trafficking of children by changing individual lives, transforming perception and revolutionizing the systems and policies that impact sexually exploited youth.

- SHORT-TERM AND CRISIS CARE
- TRANSITIONAL AND SUPPORTIVE HOUSING
- HOLISTIC CASE MANAGEMENT
- COURT ADVOCACY

## Bronx

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### Bronx Connect - Urban Youth Alliance International

432 East 149th Street, 2nd Floor, Bronx, NY 10455  
(718) 402-6872, [www.uyai.org](http://www.uyai.org)

To develop urban youth into leaders and productive members of their communities. *Ages 12–18, court-involved youth*

- COMPREHENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT
- EDUCATIONAL/TASC (FORMERLY GED) COURSES
- EMPLOYMENT
- MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
- MENTORSHIP
- SUPPORT SERVICES

**The Next Generation Center**

1522 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, NY 10460  
(718) 589-4441, [www.childrensaidsociety.org](http://www.childrensaidsociety.org)

To help high-risk young people change the trajectories of their lives through transformational relationships, stage-based employment programming and strong partnerships with other youth-serving institutions. *Ages 14–24*

- ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE
- EARLY CHILDHOOD/AFTER-SCHOOL AND WEEKEND PROGRAMS
- JUVENILE JUSTICE AND LEGAL ADVOCACY
- CARRERA ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY PREVENTION PROGRAM
- FAMILY SUPPORT
- HEALTH SERVICES
- YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

**Queens**

**Urban Upbound**

12-11 40th Avenue, Long Island City, NY 11101  
(718) 784-0877, [www.erdalliance.org](http://www.erdalliance.org)

To expand prosperity in public housing neighborhoods so residents and their families have opportunities for economic mobility and self-sufficiency. *All ages*

- COLLEGE PREPARATION
- COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION
- WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
- FINANCIAL FITNESS PROGRAM

**Brooklyn**

**Center for Community Alternatives Youth Services**

25 Chapel Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 858-9658, [www.communityalternatives.org](http://www.communityalternatives.org)

Promotes re-integrative justice and a reduced reliance on incarceration through advocacy, services and public policy development in pursuit of civil and human rights. *Ages 12–18*

- AFTERSCHOOL ARTS ENRICHMENT
- EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL COUNSELING
- HEALTH AND HIV/AIDS PREVENTION EDUCATION PROGRAMS
- INDIVIDUAL CASE MANAGEMENT
- LIFE SKILLS GROUPS
- TUTORING
- WEEKLY GROUP ATTENDANCE

**Good Shepherd Services - Ground Work for Youth**

595 Sutter Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207  
(718) 483-9057, [www.groundworkinc.org](http://www.groundworkinc.org)

To connect vulnerable NYC youth to family, school and community to ensure safe passage to self-sufficiency. *Ages 16–24*

- AFTERSCHOOL CENTERS AND SUMMER CAMPS
- COLLEGE PREPARATION
- EMPLOYMENT AND CAREER
- EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES
- FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS
- PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SERVICES
- PROGRAMS FOR COURT-INVOLVED YOUTH
- SERVICES FOR VICTIMS/SURVIVORS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

**Youth and Congregations and Partnership Program (YCP)**

350 Jay Street, 12th Floor, Brooklyn, NY 11201  
(718) 250-3800, [www.brooklynnda.org](http://www.brooklynnda.org)

Provides comprehensive services to youth and their families so that they may become productive members of the community and avoid further involvement with the criminal justice system. *Ages 13–22, court-involved youth*

- CAREER EXPLORATION
- CASE MANAGEMENT
- EDUCATIONAL AND VOCATIONAL SUPPORT
- EMPLOYMENT SUPPORT
- FAMILY SUPPORT
- INDIVIDUAL/GROUP MENTORING
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE REFERRALS





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Toll free: 1.800.246.4646  
or call: 646.343.6800

Call 311 for government information and services  
Out-of-City: 212.NEW.YORK (212.639.9675)

[www.nyc.gov/dycd](http://www.nyc.gov/dycd)

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