

District Manager's Report

February-2026

Mayor's Office Reported: New York City Public Schools Chancellor Kamar Samuels announced the 3-K and Pre-K applications are open until February 27, 2026.

Parents of kids turning 3 or 4 years old this year are encouraged to apply at myschools.nyc.gov. Families can also receive support by calling 718-935-2009 or by visiting one of the City's 13 Family Welcome Centers across the 5 boroughs for support with their applications. Applications are available in 13 languages online, with interpretation services available in over 200 languages via phone (718-935-2009) or at a Family Welcome Center.

Office of Climate & Environmental Justice (MOCEJ) is leading the development of the City's first [Environmental Justice Plan \(EJNYC Plan\)](#), and would like to hear from you. In February, MOCEJ will hold two webinars to preview the City's proposed commitments to address the environmental justice concerns identified in the [2024 EJNYC Report](#) and gather early input from community stakeholders.

Click below to register for either session:

[Tuesday, February 17, 2026 from 6-8 PM](#)

[Friday, February 20, 2026 from 1-3 PM](#)

In the registration form, you can let them know if you need language interpretation services. Interpretation requests must be made at least one week before the event date.

If you have questions or want to learn more, please visit the [EJNYC website](#) or email them at EJNYC@climate.nyc.gov.

Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs Reported: On Resources for Immigrant New Yorkers

Immigrant Legal Help. For free and safe immigration legal help, call the MOIA Immigration Legal Support Hotline at 800-354-0365.

Hours of Operation:

- Monday from 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Tuesday from 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Wednesday from 9:00 AM – 8:00 PM
- Thursday from 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Friday from 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM
- Last Saturday of the month from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

NYC ID CARD: Apply for an IDNYC, the free municipal identification card for all NYC residents ages 10 and above. Renew online or make an appointment to enroll, call 311 or visit [nyc.gov/idnyc](https://www.nyc.gov/idnyc)

English Classes: Take free English classes anytime, anywhere. Visit [wespeaknyc.cityofnewyork.us](https://www.wespeaknyc.cityofnewyork.us) for more information.

Health Care: NYC Health + Hospitals (H+H) can provide emergency care, basic health care, check-ups, immunizations, and more. Call 1-844-NYC-4NYC (1-844-692-4692) to be directed to the center nearest to you. To enroll in health insurance plans, including the NYC Care program call, 646-NYC-CARE 646-692-2273 or visit [nyccare.nyc](https://www.nyccare.nyc)

Mental Health: For confidential support and connections to mental health care and substance use resources, call **888-692-9355** or **988** or text **WELL** to **65173**. New Yorkers can also access information on [multilingual resources on mental health services in NYC](#) or find [Mental Health Services](#) using NYC's 988 online directory.

Emergencies: In an emergency, call 911. An emergency is any situation that requires immediate assistance from the police, fire department, or ambulance. By law, the New York City Police Department cannot ask about the immigration status of crime victims, witnesses, or other people who ask for help.

Public Education: All NYC children ages 4-21 can attend public school. To enroll, visit schools.nyc.gov/fwc or call 311.

General City Resources and Information: Need to access city resources or want to report a problem? Call 311 or visit portal.311.nyc.gov

Manhattan DA's Office Reported: Applications for the Manhattan District Attorney's Office 2026 High School Summer Internship Program (HSIP) have opened! Applications will be accepted from current, juniors, and seniors who reside in Manhattan. The deadline for applying to the internship is February 27, 2026, at 5:00 pm EST.

This rigorous five-week internship provides an insider's view of the criminal justice system. Interns will engage in workshops and discussions, participate in a mock trial program, develop professionalism in an office setting, and more. Interns will be paid minimum wage. For more information about eligibility and application requirements, visit our [webpage](#) and [register](#) for our virtual informational session on Tuesday, February 10, from 6 pm to 7:30 pm. A Zoom link will be provided after registration.

Need support with your resume? You can also [register](#) for the free resume workshop held on February 20, 2026 (See Flyer attached).

If you have any additional questions or more information about their next virtual information session, you can email highschoolinternship@dany.nyc.gov or call Liz Artz, Youth Program Coordinator, at 718- 915-3096.

Apply Here:

https://fa-elzs-saasfaprod1.fa.ocs.oraclecloud.com/hcmUI/CandidateExperience/en/sites/CX_1001/jobs/preview/3234

MTA Reported: On Monday, February 2nd, the OMNY Call Center expanded its hours to 24 hours, 7 days a week. OMNY customer service representatives will be available 24/7 to answer questions about tap and ride trips and transactions and to assist customers with any inquiries or issues. While speaking with an OMNY Customer Service representative, customers can access their OMNY account, view their trips and charges, manage their travel cards, and more.

Customers can call the OMNY Call Center at 877-789-6669 or chat with us online via the Digital Assistant.

DSNY Reported: The Department of Sanitation does issue summonses for failure to remove snow and ice from sidewalks. Property owners must clear snow or ice from their sidewalks following a snowfall to keep them safe and accessible for everyone.

The City does **not**:

- Clear snow or ice from sidewalks in front of residential or commercial property
- Clear snow or ice from alleys
- Clear snow or ice blocking access to sidewalks, vehicles, or driveways, even if it was caused by plowing

For more information or to file a 311-service request, please visit their website [here](#).

The New York City Department of Sanitation announced that it has transitioned its operations to its annual “Winter Schedule” with additional employees working overnight hours to allow for quicker and more effective snow operations work.

When snow is not in the forecast, Sanitation Workers scheduled for the night shift are frequently assigned to cleaning or collection duties, and as a result, residents may notice their trash, compost, and recycling collected at a slightly different time. **To ensure material is collected, residents are reminded to set material out by midnight on their scheduled day.**

This winter staffing is in addition to previously scheduled night work - all part of ongoing efforts to decrease the time that material sits on the streets to create a cleaner City with fewer rats. The winter schedule generally lasts at least through mid-April, but the Department will re-evaluate in the weeks and months to come.

The Department of Sanitation has a frontline defense of more than 700 salt spreaders dispatched at the first sign of frozen precipitation. Once two inches of snow has fallen on the City’s streets and highways, the Department can deploy it’s more than 2,000 plow-equipped trucks to clear

snow and ice. The Department is responsible for more than 19,000 lane-miles of roadway in the City. For further information on Sanitation services, call 311 or visit: www.nyc.gov/sanitation.

Dept. of Buildings (DOB) Reported: Local Law 75 of 2009 requires that no later than July 1, 2026, all existing and new security grilles installed on buildings that are classified in Occupancy Groups B (Business) or (Mercantile) must have visibility from the sidewalk of at least 70%. This does not apply to security grilles on buildings classified in Occupancy Group S (Storage) or a building designated as a landmark.

Owners who have existing or new security grilles installed on their property must verify if the grilles are subject to the Local Law 75 requirements, and if the grille(s) meet all compliance requirements, including the 70% visibility requirement. If an owner is not in compliance, the owner must install or replace the security grille. In addition, the owner must also comply with any other applicable requirements, permits, and must hire a registered design professional as required. Failure to comply will result in violations and fines, unless the owner corrects the conditions within 90 days of a violation and files a Certificate of Correction with DOB's Administrative Enforcement Unit.

DEP Reported: Winter Weather Tips: Protect Pipes and Meters from Freezing, to protect your pipes and water meters from freezing:

- repair broken and cracked windows, doors, and walls
- install storm windows on basement windows
- tightly close doors and windows to the outside
- insulate outside walls
- eliminate drafts from crawl spaces
- turn off the water to outside faucets, remove hoses, and drain the pipes
- ask your local plumbing supplier about materials to insulate pipes and meters
- take extra care to ensure your meter is insulated if it is installed in an unheated garage
- insulate the wall and open cabinets if pipes or meters are in a closed cabinet against an outside wall to allow warmer air to reach them

Arrange to have someone turn on a faucet periodically if you are going to be out of town during cold weather.

If you are unable to thaw the frozen pipes, consult a licensed master plumber. If your meter is damaged by the cold, contact **311**. For more information about how to prepare for winter-related dangers, visit the New York City Department of Emergency Management's [Winter Weather Prep](#) page.

To learn more, please click here: www.nyc.gov/site/dep/pay-my-bills/protect-your-pipes-from-freezing.page

New York City Department of Transportation (DOT) Reported: DOT is seeking to add names to its solicitation mailing list of individuals and businesses that are interested in operating concessions on DOT's right of way, including Pedestrian Plazas and Open Streets. Currently, over 20 different concessions operate throughout the five boroughs, including but not limited to

food and beverage sales, merchandise, pedestrian plazas, farmers' markets, stall markets, bicycle parking, e-bike swaps, and EV charging.

Those interested in learning more about DOT's concession opportunities and who would like to be added to DOT's solicitation mailing lists so they receive notice of when new opportunities become available should complete the email subscription form on Mailchimp at <https://mailchi.mp/dot/concessions-subscribe>. For additional information, please visit the Doing Business with DOT web page at nyc.gov/dot-concessions.

NYC DOT works with community-based organizations, educational institutions, and business groups to execute Open Streets citywide. In coordination with community partners, NYC DOT can also assist in developing operational plans to manage streets for multiple uses, including outdoor dining, programming, and outdoor learning/recreation for schools. NYC DOT works with partners and local stakeholders to ensure loading, deliveries, and emergency access are coordinated as part of the Open Streets' operations. The Open Streets application is for partners who want to manage their own Open Street.

The 2026 application features important deadlines partners should consider before applying:

- For the first time this year, all Open Streets proposed to launch in 2026 as a Limited Local Access or Full Closure; the application deadline is January 31, 2026.

New for 2026, Application deadlines for School Open Streets have changed:

- For Schools applying for an Open Street proposed to launch during the summer of 2026, before the start of the 2026-2027 academic year, the application deadline is January 31, 2026.
- For Open Streets proposed to launch at the beginning of the 2026-2027 academic year, there is an extended deadline of March 31, 2026.

For more information, visit nyc.gov/OpenStreets. Applications should be submitted online through the [Open Streets 2026 Application](#).

FDNY Reported: The FDNY officially launched a new public education and training initiative, "Control the Bleed," to provide bystanders with the skills and knowledge needed to respond effectively when faced with life-threatening bleeding. These classes are offered throughout NYC at no cost, with each session being taught exclusively by a member of FDNY EMS. This class focuses on recognizing life-threatening bleeding and the skills associated, such as direct pressure, pressure bandages and applying tourniquet. Each class size ranges from 15- 50 people and takes approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour to complete. Larger groups can be accommodated by adding additional classes, which would occur consecutively

FDNY encourages everyone to host a training within the community! To request training or learn more about the program, please visit [Control the Bleed - FDNY Smart](#)

Control the Bleed is possible thanks to support from the FDNY Foundation and a Department of Homeland Security grant support.

NYCEM Reported: NYCEM seeks presentations that demonstrate how collaborative efforts have enhanced community preparedness, strengthened emergency response, and accelerated recovery. NYCEM strongly encourages participation from individuals and organizations representing New York City's diverse communities, including those with disabilities and access and functional needs (DAFN). The expertise of community practitioners is vital to advancing engaged, inclusive, and resilient preparedness across the city.

DOT announced the Call for programming partners to help shape this year's Summer Streets and Car-Free Earth Day. Businesses, nonprofit and community-based organizations, performers, artists, and educational institutions can apply online. Organizations can visit www.nyc.gov/summerstreets and www.nyc.gov/carfreenyc to learn more.

Summer Streets is an annual celebration of New York City's most valuable public space – our streets. Miles of NYC's Streets are open in both directions for people to play. Walk and bike while taking a break at the rest stops along the route to enjoy free activities.

Car-Free Earth Day is an annual event to celebrate Earth Day by promoting environmental activism and education. The event is typically held on the Saturday before or immediately after Earth Day and features programming at signature and partner locations citywide, focusing on climate change, sustainability, and related topics. *{Dates and times for each event will be announced in the coming months.}*

HRA-DSS Reported: NYC Department of Social Services has activated an Enhanced Code Blue. Outreach teams are intensifying their efforts to reach and support the most vulnerable New Yorkers. No one who is experiencing homelessness and seeking shelter in New York City will be denied. Should you see an individual experiencing homelessness out in the cold, please call 311 and a first responder will be dispatched to offer assistance. For more information: on.nyc.gov/4t6pBJs

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) is a federally funded program that helps low-income homeowners and renters heat and cool their homes.

The 2025-2026 Regular HEAP benefit is now open, and you can apply online via [ACCESS HRA](#). Applications will be accepted until funds are exhausted. Further info. can be obtained at the following link:

Did you Know?

The NYCHA Resident Climate Action Grants support resident-led climate action and sustainability projects across NYCHA developments. The program provides funding and technical assistance to help residents bring their ideas to life, from community gardens and

energy-saving initiatives to climate education, adaptation projects, and climate-focused arts. Past projects have included urban farming, solar lighting installations, workshops, public campaigns, and creative arts initiatives that inspire local action. Learn more about previous grant winners [here](#).

Do you have an idea that's related to Farms & Gardens that you think this grant could support? Please feel free to reach out to their team at gardens@nycha.nyc.gov.

Please click the following link: [Public Housing Community Fund](#), the organization directly responsible for the application process.

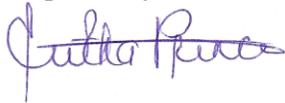
Alternate side of the street parking regulations will be suspended on the following days:

- Thursday, February 12th, Lincoln's Birthday
- Monday, February 16th, Washington's Birthday/Presidents' Day, Lunar New Year's Eve
- Tuesday, February 17th, Lunar New Year
- Wednesday, February 18th, Ash Wednesday/Losar (Tibetan New Year)

*******Parking meters will be in effect*******

NYC residents may apply for Regular HEAP benefits online through [ACCESS HRA](#). Applicants may also apply for Regular HEAP benefits by submitting paper applications by mail, fax, or in person at a HEAP Benefits Access Center (BAC). For additional details on the program and how to apply, visit our dedicated HEAP webpage [here](#).

Respectfully Submitted,



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