

**Resources & Upcoming Events
for
Community Members & Small Businesses**

March 2021



Contact WHEDco at: community@whedco.org.

Contact the Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) at:

NYC Free Tax Prep: Visit nyc.gov/taxprep or call 311 and ask for tax preparation assistance.

NYC Financial Empowerment Centers: Visit nyc.gov/TalkMoney or call 311 to schedule an appointment.

For all DCWP events, visit nyc.gov/dcwp. Click “About,” then “Community” for the Event Calendar.

NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection Links

Get DCWP Alerts and Information During COVID-19 Crisis: For the latest information to all of our COVID-19 resources listed below and in additional languages, please visit: nyc.gov/DCWPAAlerts

NYC Financial Empowerment Centers: Our professional financial counselors can help New Yorkers manage their bills and credit amidst the coronavirus crisis, understand student loan repayment options, and more in a confidential setting. Book an appointment at www.nyc.gov/talkmoney

NYC Free Tax Prep: If you are required to file a return, NYC Free Tax Prep can assist you, if you meet income requirements. We urge eligible New Yorkers to use NYC Free Tax Prep services including, [In-person Tax Prep](#), [Drop-off Service](#), [Virtual Tax Prep](#), and [Assisted Self-Prep](#) to file taxes for FREE. Filers will need access to a computer, tablet, or smartphone and a stable internet connection for virtual free tax prep services. Learn more: www.nyc.gov/taxprep

Have a Student Loan? Has your income or family size changed?: Important information about payments and resources can be found at www.nyc.gov/studentloans where you can learn about Income-Driven Repayment (IDR) plans that can lower your monthly payments. Book an appointment for free financial counseling to www.nyc.gov/talkmoney

Economic Impact Payments: If you did not receive a first or second stimulus payment and think you may be eligible, or did not receive the full payment amount, you may be eligible to obtain a stimulus payment by claiming the Recovery Rebate Credit when you file your 2020 federal tax return. You can learn about [NYC Free Tax Prep](#) services to file your taxes and receive a stimulus payment(s) for free. Learn More about Economic Impact Payments and the Recovery Rebate Credit: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/economic-impact-payments.page>

Debt Collection: DCWP has created a [letter](#) template that you can fill out and mail (required by federal law) so debt collectors can't contact you until the State of Emergency in New York City has ended. More information found at <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dca/downloads/pdf/consumers/DCA-Template-Cease-Debt-Collection-Communication-Letter-for-Consumers.pdf>

El Departamento de Protección al Consumidor y al Trabajador de la Ciudad de Nueva York

Alertas e información de DCWP durante la crisis de COVID-19 - nyc.gov/DCWPAAlerts

Obtenga asesoramiento financiero gratuitos - www.nyc.gov/talkmoney

Presente sus impuestos con NYC Free Tax Prep - nyc.gov/taxprep

Préstamos estudiantiles - nyc.gov/TalkMoney

Pagos de impacto económico - <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/economic-impact-payments.page>

Cobro de Deudas - <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dca/downloads/pdf/consumers/DCA-Template-Cease-Debt-Collection-Communication-Letter-for-Consumers.pdf>



BRONX PEOPLE'S PLATFORM & PLAN

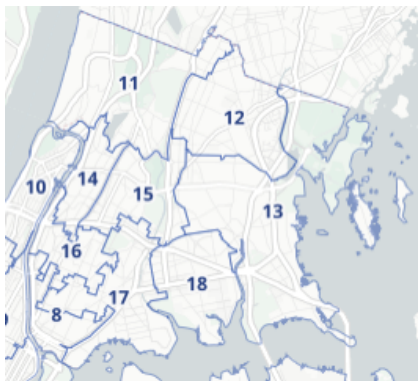
Thousands of community members across the Bronx identified eight (8) priority area for systems change, to improve the lives of Bronx residents for generations.

**Criminal Justice
The Economy
Education
Electoral/Voting
Energy and the Environment
Health
Housing and Land Use
Immigration**

Join the Bronx-Wide People's Platform movement: www.bit.ly/BXPeoplesPlatform



BRONX PEOPLE'S PLATFORM & PLAN



2021 NYC ELECTIONS

NYC Mayor

NYC Comptroller

Bronx Borough President

Council Members

****The Bronx has 9 representatives in the NYC City Council to elect/re-elect, remove or replace this year.***

March 2021 (2 Bronx Council positions have Special Elections)

June 2021 Primaries & November 2021 (all the above Bronx & NYC positions have elections)

Find your council district and council member by using your address: council.nyc.gov/districts



BRONX PEOPLE'S PLATFORM & PLAN

March 2021 – VOTE NOW in 2 Special Elections for Bronx City Council Districts 11 and 15 only

Tuesday, March 23, 2021

Polls are open from 6am to 9pm

Early Voting (happening now!): March 13, 2021 - March 21, 2021

City Council District 11

Vacancy Created by Andrew Cohen, who accepted a judgeship.

Includes: Kingsbridge, Riverdale, Norwood, Wakefield, and Woodlawn.

Zip codes are roughly: 10463, 10467, 10468, 10470, 10471

City Council District 15

Vacancy Created by Ritchie Torres, who was elected to the US Congress.

Includes: Fordham, Mount Hope, Belmont, East Tremont, Allerton, and Olinville.

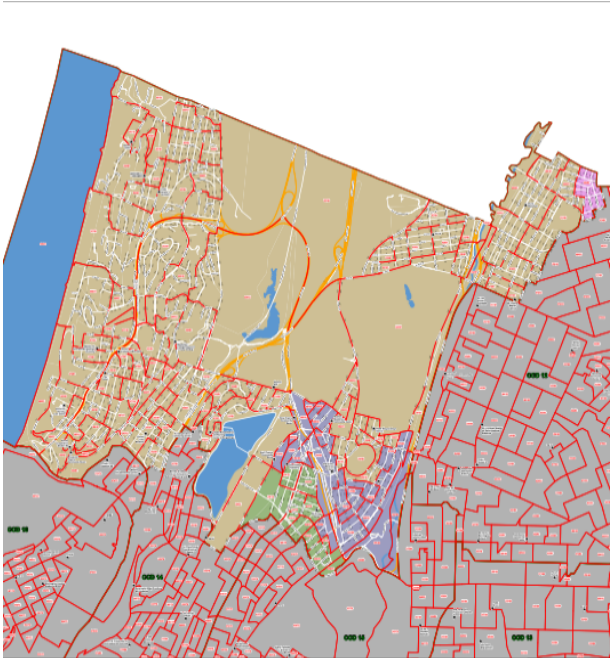
Zip codes are roughly: 10457, 10458, 10460, 10462, 10467, 10468

UPCOMING EVENTS

Special Elections for Bronx City Council Districts 11 and 15

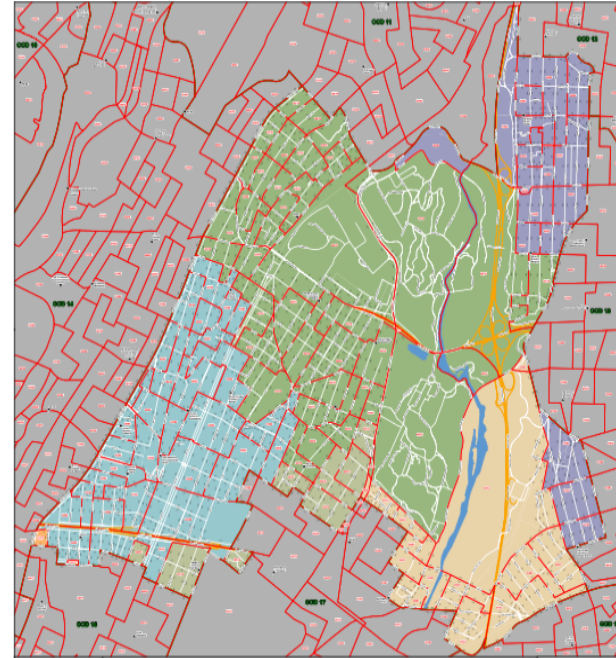
City Council District 11

Includes neighborhoods Kingsbridge, Riverdale, Norwood, Wakefield, and Woodlawn.



City Council District 15

Includes neighborhoods Fordham, Mount Hope, Belmont, East Tremont, Allerton, and Olinville.





BRONX PEOPLE'S PLATFORM & PLAN

UPCOMING 2021 CANDIDATE EVENTS / PRÓXIMOS EVENTOS

Wednesday, March 31st @ 6:00pm
City Council District 14 Candidate Forum

Save The Dates

April 14 – City Council District 16 Candidate Forum

April 28 – City Council District 17 Candidate Forum

Resource: Commercial Lease Assistance (CLA) Program

The Commercial Lease Assistance Program (CLA) provides free, high-quality legal counsel to small business owners on a range of non-litigation commercial lease matters. Services are provided citywide.

Services provided

- lease review, amendment, assignment, and/or terminations
- negotiating new and renewal leases
- formalizing oral/unwritten agreements
- handling landlord harassment/breach of contract

ov/site/sbs/businesses/commercial-lease-assistance-program.page

NYC Small Business Services 311 Search all NYC.gov websites

NYC Small Business Services Español Translate Text-Size

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Start a Business Operate & Grow Certify with the City

[COVID-19 Assistance & Guidance for Businesses](#)

[NYC Business Reopening Guide](#)

[NYC Restaurant Reopening Guide](#)

[Hiring Assistance for Businesses](#)

[Black Entrepreneurs NYC \(BE NYC\)](#)

[Contract Compliance](#)

[Subcontractors Resource Guide](#)

Commercial Lease Assistance Program

Thank you for your interest in the Commercial Lease Assistance Program. Please complete this inquiry form.

* Indicates required fields

First and Last Name*

Business Name*

Business Street Address*

Address Line 2

CLA: How can I receive services?

Complete the Inquiry Form on the NYC Small Business Services site, which will then be routed to us.

nyc.gov/commlease

You can also send an email to info@bka.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

LEARN TO MAKE A FREE WEBSITE FOR YOUR BUSINESS EVERY MONDAY

MARCH 2021



JEROME AVENUE
REVITALIZATION
COLLABORATIVE



4:00pm - RESTAURANTS

Make a business website
to process online orders

7:00pm - RETAIL STORES

Make a business website
to start selling online

7:30pm - HAIR & BEAUTY

Make a business website with
an appointment scheduler



SCAN TO REGISTER

OR TEXT: **347-906-2335**

ALSO STREAMING AT: **FACEBOOK.COM/JARCBX**

APRENDA A HACER UNA PÁGINA WEB GRATUITA PARA SU NEGOCIO

Cada Martes

ESTE MARZO 2021



JEROME AVENUE
REVITALIZATION
COLLABORATIVE



4:00pm - RESTAURANTES

Aprenda a hacer un sitio web
para aceptar pedidos en línea

7:00pm - TIENDAS

Aprenda a hacer un sitio web
para empezar a vender en línea

7:30pm - SALONES DE BELLEZA

Aprenda a hacer un sitio web
con calendario de citas



ESCANEE PARA REGÍSTRESE

O POR TEXTO: **347-906-2335**

TRANSMITIDO EN VIVO POR **FACEBOOK.COM/JARCBX**

Get Help with PPP



The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) is a forgivable loan offered through the Small Business Administration (SBA) that provides funding for small businesses.

- Register to a webinar on PPP + Financing Assistance hosted by SoBro at www.bit.ly/BxPPP
- For help applying, register at bit.ly/SoBroCARES

#JARCBX

JEROME AVENUE
REVITALIZATION
COLLABORATIVE

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Weekly Webinar on PPP +
Financing Assistance for
Small Businesses**
Hosted by SoBro

Every Monday at 3:30PM
Register at: bit.ly/BxPPP



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TOTE BAG GIVEAWAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 20TH
STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Small Business Spring Fling
Southern Boulevard Merchant
Association

Saturday, March 20th, 2021
Tote Bag Giveaway

*Go to @southernblvd on
Instagram for more information*

Additional Business & Community Resources

WHEDco Small Business Survey: bit.ly/bronxbiz

- COVID-19 Bronx Business Survey. This survey will provide WHEDco with information to be able to best provide services and advocate for the merchants with beneficial business resources and services. Survey is confidential and available in English and Spanish.

WHEDco Community Resources: whedco.org/resources

- WHEDco has compiled a list of resources across NYC for Bronx business owners, community members, and others.

WHEDco COVID Resources: bit.ly/whedco-covid19

- WHEDco has compiled a list of resources for Bronx business owners, community members, and others across NYC to access critical help during the current public health crisis. There are two sections of information: (1) for business owners and (2) for community members.

PPP Information

- Updated PPP Lender Forms, guidance, and resources available at sba.gov/ppp
- Register to a weekly webinar on PPP + Financing Assistance hosted by SoBro at bit.ly/BxPPP

BronXchange Digital Platform: app.bronxchange.com

- Business Resources compiled here by the BronXchange

NYC Business Solutions Center: maps.nyc.gov/sbs/

- NYC Business Solutions is a set of free services offered by the Department of Small Business Services to help businesses start, operate and expand in New York City.

Pace University Small Business Development Center:

pacesbdc.org/resources

- List of resources that the Pace SBDC offers to both existing and start-up small businesses.



Citywide Financial Health Resources

NYC Department of Consumer and Worker Protection (DCWP) offers innovative programs and financial products to help increase access to high-quality, low cost financial education and counseling, safe and affordable mainstream banking, and access to income-boosting tax credits.

- **Get Free Financial Counseling** at one of the City’s Financial Empowerment Centers (see locations in section below) where you can meet one-on-one with a professional, financial counselor who can help you tackle debt; improve your credit; save and plan for your future; and keep your personal and business finances separate.
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/get-free-financial-counseling.page>
- **Open a Savings Account** at participating bank and credit union branches throughout New York City.
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/open-savings-account.page>
- **Learn about Free Tax Filing Options.** Use NYC Free Tax Prep to file for free and keep your whole refund. Check the link for more information and to find out if you’re income-eligible for this free tax service.
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/file-your-taxes.page>

Bronx Free Tax Prep Sites

Near Highbridge / Concourse / Jerome Avenue area

Ariva at Spring Bank
 69 EAST 167 STREET
 BRONX NY 10452
 2nd Floor

Languages: Arabic, Bengali, Chinese - Mandarin, Chinese - Cantonese, French, Korean, Russian, English, Spanish

Site Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11:00am to 7:00pm, Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm

Visit Types: Walk-in

Ariva at University Heights
 67 WEST TREMONT AVENUE
 BRONX NY 10453
 1st Floor

Languages: Arabic, Bengali, Chinese - Mandarin, Chinese - Cantonese, French, Korean, Russian, English, Spanish

Site Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11:00am to 7:00pm, Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm

Visit Types: Walk-in

Food Bank for NYC at Davidson Community Center

2038 DAVIDSON AVENUE
 BRONX NY 10453

Languages: English

Site Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00am to 1:00pm

Visit Types: By appointment, Walk-in

BronxWorks at Fordham

80 EAST 181 STREET
 BRONX NY 10453

Languages: English and Spanish

Site Hours: Monday-Tuesday, 10:00am to 6:00pm; Wednesday-Thursday, 11:00am to 7:00pm; Saturday, 9:00am to 4:00pm

Visit Types: By appointment



<p><i>Food Bank for NYC at Every Day is a Miracle – Walton Ave</i> 2430 WALTON AVENUE BRONX NY 10468 Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Wednesday-Thursday, 9:00am to 4:30pm Visit Types: By appointment</p>	<p><i>Food Bank for NYC at Center for Urban Community Services (Fordham)</i> 400 EAST FORDHAM ROAD BRONX NY 10458 Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:30am to 4:30pm Visit Types: By appointment</p>
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Near Crotona Park East / Morrisania / Melrose area

<p><i>Food Bank for NYC at NYCHA Davidson Community Services (SOBRO)</i> 1221 PROSPECT AVENUE BRONX NY 10459 Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Wednesday, 1:00pm to 4:00pm; Thursday-Friday, 5:00pm to 8:00pm; Saturday, 11:00am to 3:00pm Visit Types: By appointment, Walk-in</p>	<p><i>Center for Urban Community Services (Crotona)</i> 1510 SOUTHERN BOULEVARD BRONX NY 10460 Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:30am to 4:30pm Visit Types: By appointment</p>
<p><i>Food Bank for NYC at The Resource Center for Community Development Inc. – The Hope Line</i> 884 EAST 163 STREET BRONX NY 10459 Languages: English Site Hours: Tuesday, 1:00pm to 5:00pm; Thursday, 9:00am to 5:00pm; Friday, 9:00am to 3:00pm Visit Types: Walk-in</p>	<p><i>Ariva at Youth Ministries for Peace and Justice</i> 1384 STRATFORD AVENUE BRONX NY 10472 Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Tuesday, 9:00am to 2:00pm; Wednesday, 2:00pm to 7:00pm; Saturday, 10:00am to 4:00pm Visit Types: By appointment</p>
<p><i>Ariva at West Farms Housing</i> 1 WEST FARMS SQUARE PLAZA BRONX NY 10460 1st Floor Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Monday-Thursday, 11:00am to 7:00pm; Saturday, 10:00am to 4:00pm Visit Types: Walk-in</p>	<p><i>BronxWorks at Jackson</i> 630 JACKSON AVENUE BRONX NY 10455 1st Floor Languages: English and Spanish Site Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00am to 4:00pm Visit Types: By appointment</p>

Recursos para Mejorar la Salud Financiera – Toda la Ciudad

El Departamento de Protección al Consumidor y al Trabajador NYC ofrece programas y productos innovadores para ayudar a mejorar el acceso a servicios educativos y consejería de alta calidad en torno a la salud financiera, alternativas de banca seguras y asequibles, así como créditos contributivos.

- **Reciba Consejería Financiera Gratuita** en uno de los Centros de Empoderamiento Financiero (ver localizaciones abajo), donde podrá reunirse con un consejero financiero profesional para que usted pueda comenzar a manejar sus deudas, mejorar su crédito, ahorrar y planificar para su futuro, así como mantener separadas sus cuentas personales de negocios.
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/get-free-financial-counseling.page>
- **Abra una Cuenta de Ahorros** en uno de los bancos participantes o uniones de crédito a lo largo de la ciudad.
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/open-savings-account.page>
- **Aprenda sobre las Opciones Gratuitas para Rendir Planillas de Impuestos.** Utilice los servicios de NYC Free Tax Prep para rendir sus planillas de impuestos de manera gratuita y poder recibir su reembolso en su totalidad. Siga el enlace para aprender más acerca de este servicio y ver si usted cualifica.
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dca/consumers/file-your-taxes.page>

Recursos para aprender sobre las opciones gratuitas para rendir planillas de impuestos – Basados en el Bronx

Cerca de Highbridge / Concourse / Jerome Avenue

Ariva at Spring Bank
69 EAST 167 STREET
BRONX NY 10452

Segundo piso

Idiomas: árabe, bengalí, chino - mandarín, chino - cantonés, francés, coreano, ruso, inglés, español

Horario: lunes-jueves, 11:00am - 7:00pm, sábado 10:00am - 4:00pm

Tipo de visita: Ofrece servicios sin cita

Food Bank for NYC at Davidson Community Center

2038 DAVIDSON AVENUE
BRONX NY 10453

Idiomas: inglés

Horario: lunes-viernes, 9:00am - 1:00pm

Tipo de visita: Ofrece servicios por cita previa y también sin cita

Ariva at University Heights

67 WEST TREMONT AVENUE
BRONX NY 10453

Primer piso

Idiomas: Árabe, bengalí, chino - mandarín, chino - cantonés, francés, coreano, ruso, inglés, español

Horario: lunes-jueves, 11:00am - 7:00pm, sábado 10:00am 0 4:00pm

Tipo de visita: Ofrece servicios sin cita

BronxWorks at Fordham

80 EAST 181 STREET
BRONX NY 10453

Idiomas: inglés y español

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Thank You!



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