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FALL IS HERE



**“LIFE STARTS ALL OVER AGAIN WHEN IT GETS
CRISP IN THE FALL.” – F. SCOTT FITZGERALD**

**WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT STUDENTS, PARENTS,
CAREGIVERS AND FAMILIES.**

**WE WANT TO HEAR FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS,
LEADERS, ADVOCATES, TEACHERS, PRINCIPALS,
SAFETY OFFICERS, COORDINATORS, MENTAL
HEALTH AND MEDICAL PROVIDERS.**

**SEND US INFORMATION, RESOURCES, ARTICLES,
FAMILY VOICES, STORIES, EVENTS, POETRY AND
MUCH MORE.....**

**BREAST CANCER AWARENESS
MONTH**

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
AWARENESS MONTH**



I AM A SURVIVOR

**BEING IN PAIN AND
STILL ALIVE
BATTLING BREAST
CANCER PROVES
YOUR FAITH. YOU
MUST HAVE THE
COURAGE & FAITH
TO FIGHT UNTIL
THE END.
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**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS VIOLENCE OR OTHER
ABUSE THAT OCCURS IN A DOMESTIC SETTING,
SUCH AS IN A MARRIAGE OR COHABITATION.**

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IS OFTEN USED AS A
SYNONYM FOR INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE,
WHICH IS COMMITTED BY ONE OF THE PEOPLE
IN AN INTIMATE RELATIONSHIP AGAINST THE
OTHER PERSON AND CAN TAKE PLACE IN
RELATIONSHIPS OR BETWEEN FORMER SPOUSES
OR PARTNERS. IN ITS BROADEST SENSE,
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ALSO INVOLVES VIOLENCE
AGAINST CHILDREN, PARENTS, OR THE
ELDERLY.**

**IT CAN ASSUME MULTIPLE FORMS, INCLUDING
PHYSICAL, VERBAL, EMOTIONAL, ECONOMIC,
RELIGIOUS, REPRODUCTIVE, FINANCIAL ABUSE,
OR SEXUAL ABUSE.
([HTTPS://EN.WIKIPEDIA.ORG/WIKI/DOMESTIC
_VIOLENCE](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Domestic_violence))**

**NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE
1-800-422-6237**



**FOR HELP CALL 1.800.799.7233
TTY:1.800.787-3224
SMS: 88788-START**

DID YOU KNOW?

NEW YORK LAWYERS FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST (NYLPI) OFFERS INFORMATION AND RESOURCES TO STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, THEIR CAREGIVERS, AND OTHER ADVOCATES. WE WILL UPDATE THE INFORMATION WEEKLY. PLEASE CONTACT US IF YOU SEEK ADVOCACY ASSISTANCE REGARDING THE EDUCATION OF YOUR CHILD WITH A DISABILITY BY CALLING 212-244-4664 OR AT WWW.NYLPI.ORG/GET-HELP/.

SPOTLIGHT MIGRANT CRISIS



Maslow's hierarchy of needs

ACCORDING TO VOX.COM, SINCE APRIL 2022, MORE THAN 116,000 MIGRANTS HAVE ARRIVED IN NEW YORK CITY. MIGRANT FAMILIES NEED SUPPORT, AS MANY OF THEM DO NOT HAVE ACCESS TO SERVICES THAT CAN MEET THEIR BASIC NEEDS, FOOD, WATER, CLOTHING, SHELTER, SAFETY AND CLOTHING. THE ABILITY TO MEET THEIR MENTAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL NEEDS IS CHALLENGING FOR NEW YORK CITY. MIGRANTS ARE IN CRISIS AND NEED HELP.

WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

- **EDUCATE:** LEARN ABOUT SERVICES, RIGHTS, LAWS AND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR MIGRANTS.
- **DONATE:** YOU CAN DONATE FOOD, GENTLE-USED CLOTHING, AND TOILETRIES.
- **VOLUNTEER:** YOU CAN SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER AT INTAKE CENTER/ SHELTERS
- **ADVOCATE:** CONTACT YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS TO ADVOCATE FOR ASSISTANCE TO RESOLVE THE MIGRANT CRISIS.
- **SUPPORT:** SHARE INFORMATION AND RESOURCES WITH COMMUNITY MEMBERS

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE

[HTTP://SUICIDEPREVENTIONLIFELINE.ORG/](http://SUICIDEPREVENTIONLIFELINE.ORG/)

Whatever time: Day. Night. Weekend. Whatever the reason: Mental health distress. Substance use crisis. Thoughts of suicide. The 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline is here for you. Text 988 | Call 988 | Chat 988lifeline.org

SHARING INFO & RESOURCES

FOOD HELP NYC: FREE FOOD LOCATIONS INCLUDING FOOD PANTRIES & SOUP KITS.

NYC.WELL: NYC WELL IS YOUR CONNECTION TO FREE, CONFIDENTIAL CRISIS COUNSELING, MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE SUPPORT, INFORMATION AND REFERRALS. YOU CAN REACH THE TOLL-FREE HELP LINE 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK BY PHONE, TEXT AND ONLINE CHAT.

BUILDINGS AFTER HOURS: FREE IN-PERSON INFORMATION SESSION WITH DOB STAFF EVERY TUESDAY FROM 4 PM TO 7 PM AT YOUR LOCAL BOROUGH OFFICE.

NOTIFY NYC: ENROLL FOR FREE IN NEW YORK CITY'S DEDICATED EMERGENCY PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM.

311: NON-EMERGENCY MUNICIPAL SERVICES AVAILABLE ONLINE, BY TEXTING 311-692, OR BY CALLING 3-1-1 FROM WITHIN THE CITY OR 212-NEW-YORK OUTSIDE THE FIVE BOROUGHES. TTY SERVICE IS ALSO AVAILABLE BY DIALING 212-504-4115



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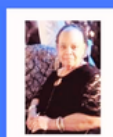
CCSI BOROUGH BASED COUNCIL MEETINGS

BRONX BROOKLYN QUEENS MANHATTAN, & STATEN ISLAND

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HERE FOR
YOU



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THE COORDINATED CHILDREN'S SERVICES INITIATIVE (CCSI) OF NEW YORK CITY IS A UNIQUE CROSS-SYSTEMS FORUM THAT BRINGS TOGETHER PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, YOUTH, AND SERVICE PROVIDERS THROUGHOUT THE FIVE BOROUGHES OF NYC ON A MONTHLY BASIS TO CREATE MEANINGFUL DIALOGUE, SHARE RESOURCES, AND ADVOCATE FOR INCREASED AWARENESS AND QUALITY ACCESS TO CARE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH MENTAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH CHALLENGES. USING THE SYSTEM OF CARE MODEL*, CCSI MEMBERS TACKLE SOME OF THE TOUGHEST BARRIERS STANDING IN THE WAY OF YOUTH RECEIVING COMPREHENSIVE AND STREAMLINED SERVICES TO SUPPORT THEIR HEALTH AND WELL-BEING AND WORK TOGETHER TO ADVOCATE FOR POSITIVE CHANGE. (CCSI 2023)