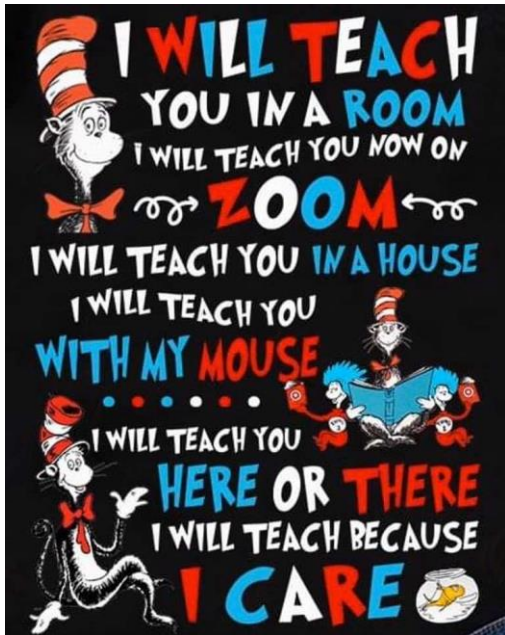




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### Home/Food

- **New York City Department of Probation:** One week of free groceries are available to all New Yorkers in five boroughs at the Neighborhood Opportunity Network (NeON) Nutrition Kitchens)

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/neon/programs/nutrition-kitchen.page>

- New York State will extend the moratorium on evictions for those facing COVID-related hardship until August 20. Renters have rights~Call 311 if you're having issues.

### Business/Work

- **SMALL BUSINESSES: There is more help available in the Paycheck Protection Program!** Apply

right away if you need help and call 311 if you need assistance filling out the forms. Go to <https://access.nyc.gov/paycheck-protection-program/>

- **Facebook** has invested \$6.5 million to help local small business weather this storm.
  - **Apply today:** [facebook.com/grantsforbusiness](https://www.facebook.com/grantsforbusiness)
- **FAQ for Pandemic Unemployment Benefits**
  - <https://access.nyc.gov/faq-for-pandemic-unemployment-benefits/>
- **Jobs opportunities:** The City and the State are hiring employees and supervisors for contact tracing: reaching out to the contacts of those diagnosed with COVID-19 to track the spread. Learn more [here for City positions](#) (three types of contract tracer jobs along with many non-tracing jobs listed), and [here for State positions](#) ([contact tracers](#), [team supervisors](#), and [community support specialists](#)).

### Technology Devices

- The city is giving away 35,000 iPads to students with disabilities outside of the public schools. Call 311 or text 311-692 or go to <http://schools.nyc.gov/devices>
  - Si su hijo necesita un dispositivo para el aprendizaje remoto, visite <http://schools.nyc.gov/devices>
  - 如果您的孩子需要用于远程学习的设备·请访问

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## Health

- You can now call 844-NYC-4NYC for COVID-19 for Phone-A-Clinician and Tele-Visits
- New Yorkers who have **recovered** from **COVID-19** and had a positive test before March 7 should visit <https://www.mountsinai.org/> to help save others by donating plasma.
- 15 cases of multi-system inflammatory syndrome detected in children in NYC hospitals, 4 patients positive for COVID-19, 6 others had antibodies. No fatalities reported. DOHMH instructed all NYC providers to immediately report patients under 21 with these symptoms. **Cases are uncommon, however, if your child has symptoms including persistent fever, rash, abdominal pain, vomiting call your doctor immediately**
- **Get Tested in Your Community**
  - Find Community testing sites operated by NYC Health + Hospitals near you: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/coronavirus/resources/covid-testing.page>
- **Affected by COVID19? Find out what benefits you may qualify for and more**
  - English <https://access.nyc.gov/coronavirus-covid-19-updates/>
  - More resources are here as well: <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/helpnownyc/get-help/individuals.page>
- **New York City is distributing free face coverings in parks across the city!**
  - Find out where you can get yours at <http://nyc.gov/facecoverings>
- Visiting Nurses of NY [Caregiver Resource guide](#) includes a guide to coping with Coronavirus anxiety.
  - They offer [free resources](#) for health care providers on how to care for COVID-19+ patients.
  - New Yorkers who are HIV+ or at risk of infection can learn about HIV and COVID-19 [here](#).

## HS & Class of 2020 graduates

- College & Career Readiness Workshops  
<http://app.learn.queenslibrary.org/e/es?s=1870564246&e=59652&elqTrackId=7E543FA8F48EB9880A73A94CAD23DABA&elq=4d9880625f714c8785481787806946d7&elqaid=3459&elqat=1>
- A message from former First Lady Michelle Obama: I know how hard the [#Classof2020](#) has worked to make it to graduation, so [@BarackObama](#) and I want to give you the celebration you deserve. That's why [@ReachHigher](#) and I are teaming up with [@Youtube](#) to host a virtual graduation on June 6! RSVP at <https://bit.ly/RHGraduation>.

## Activities

- Fun videos and activities (geared towards elementary grades) on history of NYC  
<https://mailchi.mp/gvshp.org/httpmailchimpgvshporgwomenshistorymonth-villageawards-andprograms-1448149?e=e6a9330f9d>
- Musical Concert Sunday  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdyQe6w1XQ2xpuIkwn0EIJza3FSMI03u2LxcCs58f\\_SozUTzA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdyQe6w1XQ2xpuIkwn0EIJza3FSMI03u2LxcCs58f_SozUTzA/viewform)
- Celebrate Salsa Queen Celia Cruz with El Museo del Barrio - Saturday, May 16th, 11am - 11:45am. [RSVP here](#)

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- More fun videos and activities with Museum of Natural History:  
[http://email.wordfly.com/view/?sid=NDYwXzQxNzM5XzE2MzE0OTdfNzQxNg&l=3f10823a-ed8e-ea11-bd94-e61f134a8c87&utm\\_source=education&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=050620EDUMayNewsletter&utm\\_term=teacher-programs&utm\\_content=version\\_A&sourcenumber=28576](http://email.wordfly.com/view/?sid=NDYwXzQxNzM5XzE2MzE0OTdfNzQxNg&l=3f10823a-ed8e-ea11-bd94-e61f134a8c87&utm_source=education&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=050620EDUMayNewsletter&utm_term=teacher-programs&utm_content=version_A&sourcenumber=28576)
- **Free access to TIME Magazine for Kids:** [Click here](#) for the English version, and [here](#) for Spanish.
- Gilder Lehrman Book Breaks: Live Discussions with Eminent Historians on Sunday Afternoons <https://www.gilderlehrman.org/news/gilder-lehrman-book-breaks-live-discussions-eminent-historians-sunday-afternoons>
- Live Read-Out-Loud for elementary age children [www.facebook.com/LEAPNYC/](http://www.facebook.com/LEAPNYC/)
- Harry Potter reads Harry Potter! [A video of actor Daneil Radcliffe](#) (Harry in the Harry Potter films) reads the first chapter of the first Harry Potter book!
- **Ballet Hispánico** invites you to [watch the company's performance](#) of Tito on Timbales and the live Q&A with Artistic Director & CEO Eduardo Vilaro and former company dancer Nancy Turano.

### Immigrant

- **Many city services are available to all New Yorkers no matter what your immigration status is and regardless of your ability to pay.**  
Visit the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs' COVID-19 resource guide for immigrant communities during the COVID-19 pandemic [nyc.gov/immigrants/coronavirus](http://nyc.gov/immigrants/coronavirus)

### Various Services

- Here's some news you can use: We found answers to your [frequently asked questions](#) — including how to find [free meal programs](#), get [unemployment insurance](#) and [deal with laundry](#). We've also tackled issues facing [essential workers](#) and people [moving forward after beating COVID-19](#)
- **Volunteer, donate or partner with NYC:** [nyc.gov/helpnow](http://nyc.gov/helpnow)

### **Watch Alicia Keys on why the census is so important:**

<https://twitter.com/nycgov/status/1258473531601571843>

Now more than ever, everyone in our community needs to be counted! The 2020 Census is easy & safe. You can be counted online or over the phone in just 10 minutes, and your information is completely confidential and protected by law. Fill it out today:

<http://my2020census.gov>

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