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Latest Information & Opportunities

Financial Services Centers of New York (FSCNY) Scholarship

Deadline: Tuesday, March 6th

The Financial Service Centers of New York (FSCNY) Scholarship seeks to provide development opportunities for young people who will return to their communities and contribute to improving the quality of life for all New Yorkers. Students must demonstrate academic achievement/improvement, leadership in their school, and involvement in their community, contributing at least 50 valuable hours of volunteer service each year of high school. Applicants must be seniors attending from public high schools in New York City's five boroughs and the surrounding New York counties. For more information or to apply, please visit the scholarship provider's website.

For more info: Gigi Guerrero-Ivanovic, info@fscny.org

The Youth Empowerment Show

Date: Saturday, March 10th from 12 PM to 3:30 PM

The Youth Empowerment show is an open discussion for teens on issues that matter most! This is a judgment free zone where you can express yourself comfortably, get practical solutions to the challenges you face in life, and have A LOT of fun in the process. The Youth Empowerment Show (Y.E.S.) is an open forum that provides an outlet for teenagers to discuss current events and issues that matter most. It is the most impactful and transformational experience for young adults because it finally gives them a constructive way to let their voices be heard and receive proper encouragement to move forward. Facilitators don't talk at our young kings and queens, they talk with them as a big brother or big sister would. This show costs \$7 for youth groups and \$10 for individual audience members.

For more info: <http://bit.ly/2FondGu>

NYC Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)

Application Deadline: Friday, March 16th

The Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) provides New York City youth between the ages of 14 and 24 with paid summer employment for up to six weeks in July and August. Participants work in entry-level jobs in a variety of industries including: arts and recreation, educational services, financial services, healthcare and medical services, hospitality and tourism, information technology, manufacturing, public relations, and more. SYEP also provides workshops on job readiness, career exploration, financial literacy, and opportunities to continue education and social growth.

For more info: <http://on.nyc.gov/2ndYVrc>



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QTPOC Meditation NYC

Date: Friday, March 16th from 7 PM to 9 PM

This free community meditation space is specifically for queer & trans people of color (QTPOC). Each month, they explore different forms of meditation, including but not limited to mind-body connection, metta (loving-kindness), breath awareness, walking meditation (with seated movement options), sound healing, writing meditation, & traditional seated practice on a floor cushion or chair. Together they also explore teachings of LGBTQ2IA+ people of color to have a deeper understanding of how mindfulness practice can help people heal from trauma, navigate oppression, and deepen self-love. In this meditation, participants do not sit in silence for extended periods of time. This is located at the Interdependence Project, 28 West 27th St., Manhattan.

For more info: <http://bit.ly/2FeJkyQ>

Electronic Security Association Youth Scholarship

Deadline: Sunday, March 25th

In 1996, the Electronic Security Association launched the Youth Scholarship Program. The program was created to promote goodwill among the electronic life safety and security industry and police and fire officers by providing college scholarship awards to their deserving sons or daughters. Applicants must be accepted for admission to an accredited college or university, matriculating the following year. Each eligible student must have a father, mother or natural guardian who meets the following qualifications: The student's school must be located in the state where the parent is a full-time active employee or within a 100-mile radius of where the parent is a full-time active employee; parent must be a full-time paid member of the police or sheriff's department or fire department (may also be a volunteer member of a fire department); parent or guardian must be an active duty police officer, firefighter, paramedic, or EMT.

For more info: <http://esaweb.org/Programs/Youth-Scholarship>

"I Matter" Scholarship

Deadline: Saturday, March 31st

The VILLA "I Matter" Scholarship will provide tuition assistance to graduating seniors enrolling in an accredited undergraduate program in the fall. The recipients of this scholarship are selected based on the applicant's demonstrated academic achievement, community service involvement, verbal communication skills, resume, and reference letter. Interested applicants can apply by sending an inquiry to the email address below.

For more info: Scholarships@Ruvilla.com

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College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) — Grant/Scholarship

Application Deadline: Varies By Applicant

The College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) is a unique federally-funded educational support and scholarship program that helps more than 2,000 students annually from migrant and seasonal farm-working backgrounds to succeed in college. Participants receive financial assistance during their freshman year of college and ongoing academic support until their graduation. Application deadlines and award amounts vary for each grant, and will depend on applicant's unmet financial needs as per FAFSA and individual college guidelines. Applies to a list of 35-40 current colleges and universities.

For more info: <http://www.migrantstudents.org/scholarships/campscholarship.html>

Immigration Assistance at Gouverneur's Health

Gouverneur's Health Center recently became a site for Action NYC, the NYC Mayor's program that provides free immigration lawyers and assistance to patients and the general community. To make appointments directly, interested folks can call 311 and say "Action NYC" to be directed to the program's hotline. The program takes place at Gouverneur's Health Center at 227 Madison Street, Manhattan, New York every day of the week except for Tuesdays. Appointments take place in the mornings; both lawyers speak Spanish, and one paralegal speaks Mandarin.

IDNYC: Free ID Card for New York Residents

New York City residents are now able to sign up for IDNYC – a government-issued identification card that is available to all City residents age 14 and older. Immigration status does not matter. The IDNYC card is free for all New Yorkers who apply through December 31, 2018. Cards are valid for five years from the date the application is approved. The IDNYC card offers a full package of exciting benefits that includes discounts on movie tickets, sporting events, prescription drugs, fitness and health centers.

For more info: <http://on.nyc.gov/2IZFDlv>

Homeless/Runaway Youth Support at The Door (Community Center)

If you or anyone you know is experiencing homelessness or unstable housing, The Door hosts drop-in hours for runaway/homeless youth from 11 AM to 6 PM on Mondays to Fridays, 12 PM to 6 PM on Saturdays. Each year, The Door serves 10,000 young people from all over New York City, including crisis assistance, legal assistance, GED and ESOL classes, tutoring, college preparation, job training and placement, supportive housing, sports and recreational activities, arts, and nutritious meals - all for free, completely confidentially, and under one roof.

For more info: <https://www.door.org/> or 212-941-9090



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Shape Up NYC

Shape Up NYC is a free, drop-in fitness program with locations across the five boroughs. There is no class registration, simply show up to take fitness classes like aerobics, yoga, Pilates, Zumba, and much more. Their fitness instructors know how to make fitness fun! Shape Up NYC is a free program. You do not need to be a member of a recreation center in order to attend a class, though you must bring a lock for classes held at recreation centers.

For more info: <https://www.nycgovparks.org/programs/recreation/shape-up-nyc>

Pets Are Wonderful Support (PAWS) NYC

If you love working with people and pets, then PAWS NY might be the right organization for you! They have a wide range of available opportunities available, including: provide care for a client's pet in their home, collect/distribute pet food/supplies, fostering animals, and so much more. Pets provide humans with companionship, unconditional love and they combat loneliness. Help protect this relationship each and every day for those facing challenges from advancing age, disability, or illness. The requirements to become a volunteer is very minimal and can be found on their website.

For more info: <https://pawsny.org/>

Museum of Chinese in America (MOCA) Free First Thursday

Free gallery admission first Thursday of each month except on major holidays. Visit the museum to learn more about Chinese-American history through videos, oral histories, photographs and written documents that bring the experiences and histories of this vibrant immigrant community to life.

For more info: <http://www.mocanyc.org>