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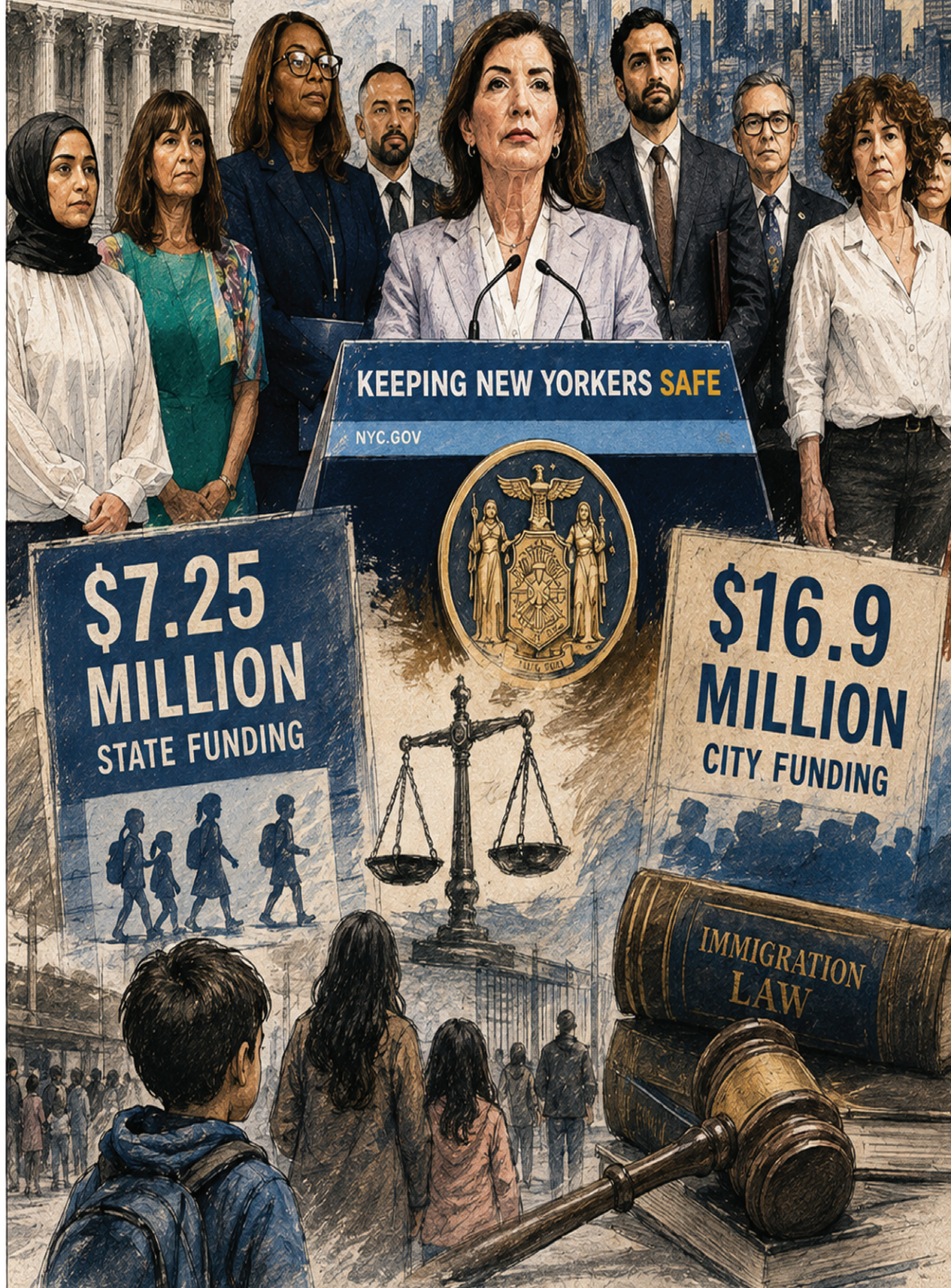
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NEW FUNDING ANNOUNCED FOR IMMIGRATION LEGAL SERVICES



State and city officials say new funding will provide legal representation to immigrant children facing immigration proceedings

New York officials announced a new round of funding this week to provide legal services to immigrant children facing immigration proceedings. Mayor Zohran Mamdani joined Gov. Kathy Hochul and Attorney General Letitia James for the announcement, which follows the federal government's decision not to renew contracts with the Acacia Center for Justice and nearly 100 other organizations that had provided immigration-related legal services.

According to city officials, more than 25,000 unaccompanied immigrant children have been affected by the loss of federal funding.

Hochul announced \$7.25 million in state funding to provide legal services to more than 1,000 children currently involved in removal proceedings. The funding includes assistance for 251 children who are being held in detention.

City officials said New York City has also allocated \$16.9 million specifically for legal services for unaccompanied immigrant children. The city has increased its overall investment in immigration legal services by more than \$30 million, bringing the total annual investment to more than \$150 million.

Immigration court proceedings differ from criminal court proceedings. People in immigration cases generally do not have a government-appointed attorney, meaning children and families who cannot afford private representation may have to navigate the proceedings without a lawyer.

The mayor's office said legal representation can help eligible immigrants understand their options and pursue available forms of immigration relief.

The announcement comes as federal, state and local officials continue to debate immigration enforcement and the role of government-funded legal services.

New York City officials are directing immigrants who need legal assistance to the city's immigration legal-services system. Residents can call 311 for information about available resources.

The newly announced state funding and the city's existing allocation will provide additional legal-services resources for children involved in immigration proceedings.

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BUILDING CONFIDENCE WHEN FACING WORKPLACE CHALLENGES?

by Stan Popovich

Starting a new role, pursuing a promotion, or learning new skills can trigger fear and self-doubt. Instead of reacting to these feelings, pause and acknowledge them without judgment. Fear is a natural response to change, but it doesn’t define your ability to succeed. Taking a moment to ground yourself helps you respond thoughtfully and approach new challenges with greater clarity.

Next, focus on small, achievable steps. Break larger responsibilities into manageable tasks and concentrate on completing one step at a time. Each small success builds confidence and reinforces your ability to handle bigger challenges. Tracking progress with simple checklists or milestones can help you stay motivated and focused.

Over time, reflecting on your progress strengthens self-confidence and reduces fear of failure. Celebrate small wins, learn from setbacks, and adjust your approach when needed. By consistently taking deliberate steps forward, you can boost confidence, overcome fear of failure, and succeed in new challenges or roles.

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- 1. Career advancement:** High-performing team members are often considered for promotions and new responsibilities due to their reliability and strong results.
- 2. Recognition:** Consistently performing as a reliable team member often leads to public recognition and positive feedback from managers and colleagues, boosting morale and job satisfaction.
- 3. Improved work-life balance:** High-performing professionals who manage time effectively can achieve a better balance between work and their personal life.
- 4. Positive team dynamics:** A professional contributes positively to team collaboration, fostering a more productive and supportive work environment.
- 5. Job security:** Consistent high performance makes someone less likely to be affected during layoffs.
- 6. Personal satisfaction:** Achieving goals and exceeding expectations in your role can lead to a sense of accomplishment and pride in your work.
- 7. Potential for higher pay:** Good staff members may be eligible for salary increases or bonuses due to their valuable contributions.

Being successful at work isn’t just about completing tasks—it’s about contributing meaningfully, growing professionally, and creating value every day. Practicing these habits will make you a respected, dependable, and high-performing professional.

How Can You Handle Criticism at Work?

Receiving criticism can trigger fear, depression, or self-doubt. Notice your emotions—fear, frustration, embarrassment—but remember: feedback reflects your work, not your worth.

Take one small, deliberate step: request a specific example to improve, then act. Reflect on your response and focus on solutions. Handling feedback calmly demonstrates accountability, builds your professional reputation, and helps your mental wellbeing.

How This Fits the Managing Fear Framework

Many people try to manage fear by searching for a single solution, but fear can appear in different situations and may require different approaches. The Managing Fear Framework combines multiple strategies and techniques to help individuals explore different tools, discover what works best for their situation, and develop a more flexible way to respond to fear.

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QUINN SIMPLE SCENES – STOCK SHOW

by Rix Quinn

Imagine yourself in a sea of cows, surrounded by thousands of pounds of beef. That’s how I feel when I go to one of our state’s stock shows, which attracts thousands of visitors. Farmers and ranchers spend several days showing off animals which have taken months or years to raise.

I am a city boy. However, I have been to a farm, and I once owned two rabbits, a goldfish, and a chicken with irritable bowel. But I don’t really know animal habits. That’s why I love the stock show. And up until recently, I didn’t know there were so many cattle breeds. Then I found out somebody could breed cattle to improve the strength of both breeds. That also explains why I shouldn’t marry my cousin. While at these shows, I walked around to see eight major hog breeds, and 50 to 70 chicken types. But my favorite was the rabbit barn, which housed nearly 50 breeds.

One day on a high school field trip, we visited the cattle exhibit. One of the demonstrations was a machine that could milk several cows at the same time. A rowdy classmate noticed one machine wasn’t hooked up, so he stuck a finger in the milker. It grabbed him, and would not let go. One of the workers heard him yell, and jumped in to save the boy. Luckily, he escaped with only a swollen finger, a verbal scolding from the field trip sponsor, and a lifelong respect for milking technology. But for him, it was a terrible scare. And it could have been udder disaster.

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August 15

Pet, Plants & Homegoods



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potted plants,
decor, and pet
supplies

August 22

Kids clothing & more



Infant - teen
clothing,
shoes,
accessories,
toys*, games,
baby gear,
and kids'
books/media

August 29

Adult clothing



Men's and
women's
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accessories and
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From 12-3pm

Last drop off @2:30pm

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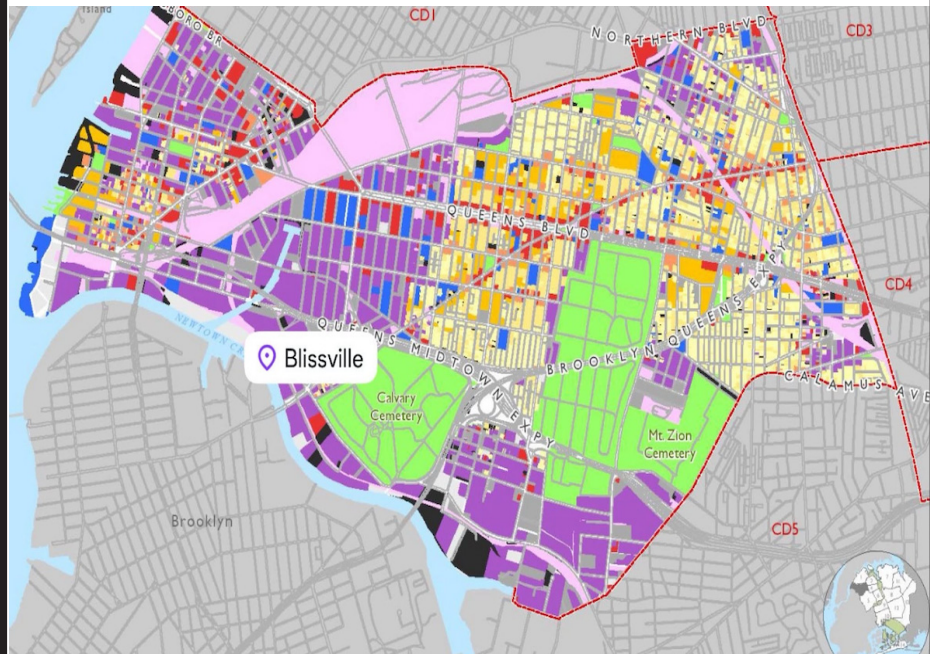


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When

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Friday, August 14
12:00pm - 1:30pm

Where

SCS Cornerstone Program
NYCHA Woodside Houses
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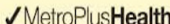
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aug 13 47-40 center blvd	HUNTERS POINT LIBRARY 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
aug 17 43-06 greenpoint ave	SUNNYSIDE LIBRARY 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
aug 18 windmuller playground	WOODSIDE ON THE MOVE 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
aug 24 cherry park	WOODSIDE HOUSES 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
aug 28 10-25 41 st avenue	QUEENSBRIDGE HOUSES 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
aug 29 43rd street & skillman avenue	SUNNYSIDE GREENMARKET 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
aug 29 29th street plaza	LA JORNADA 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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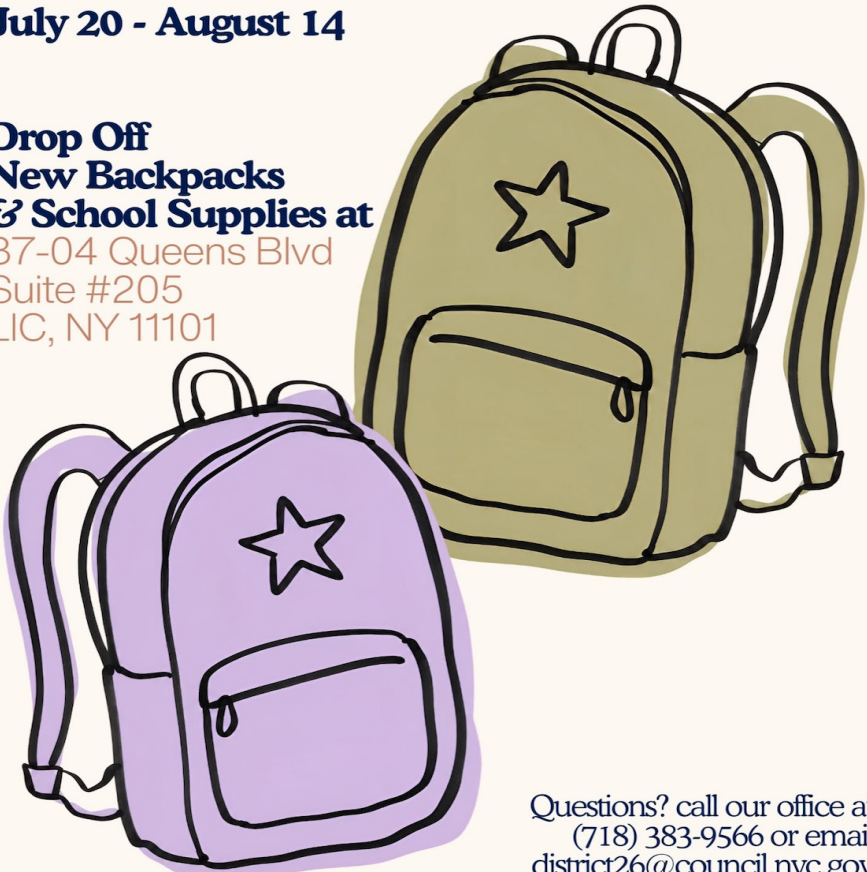


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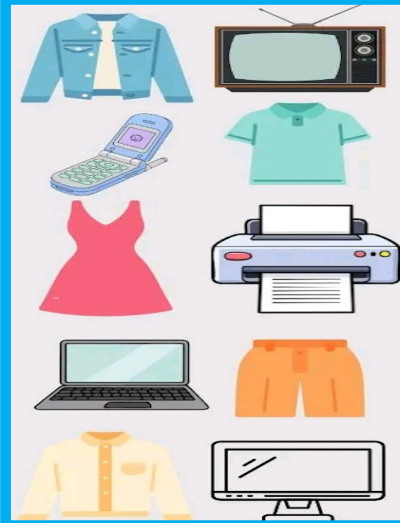
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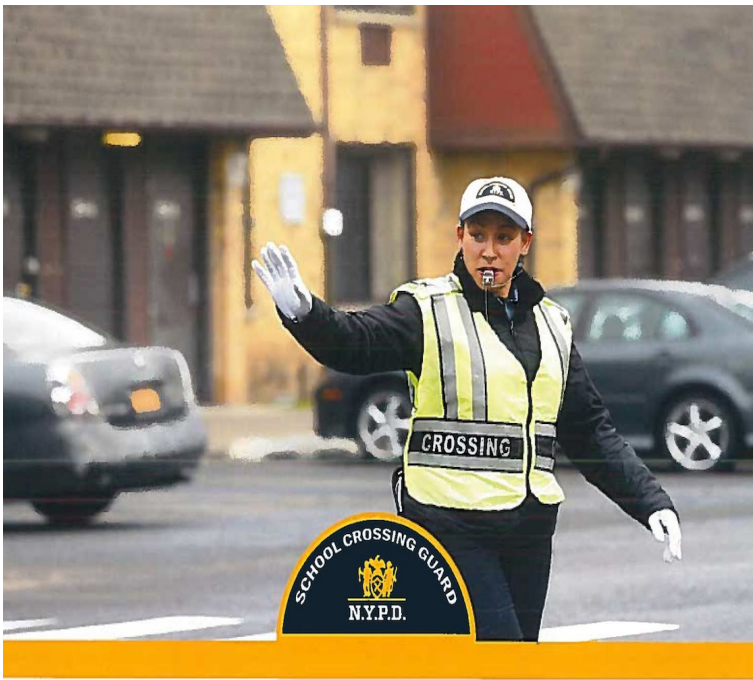
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