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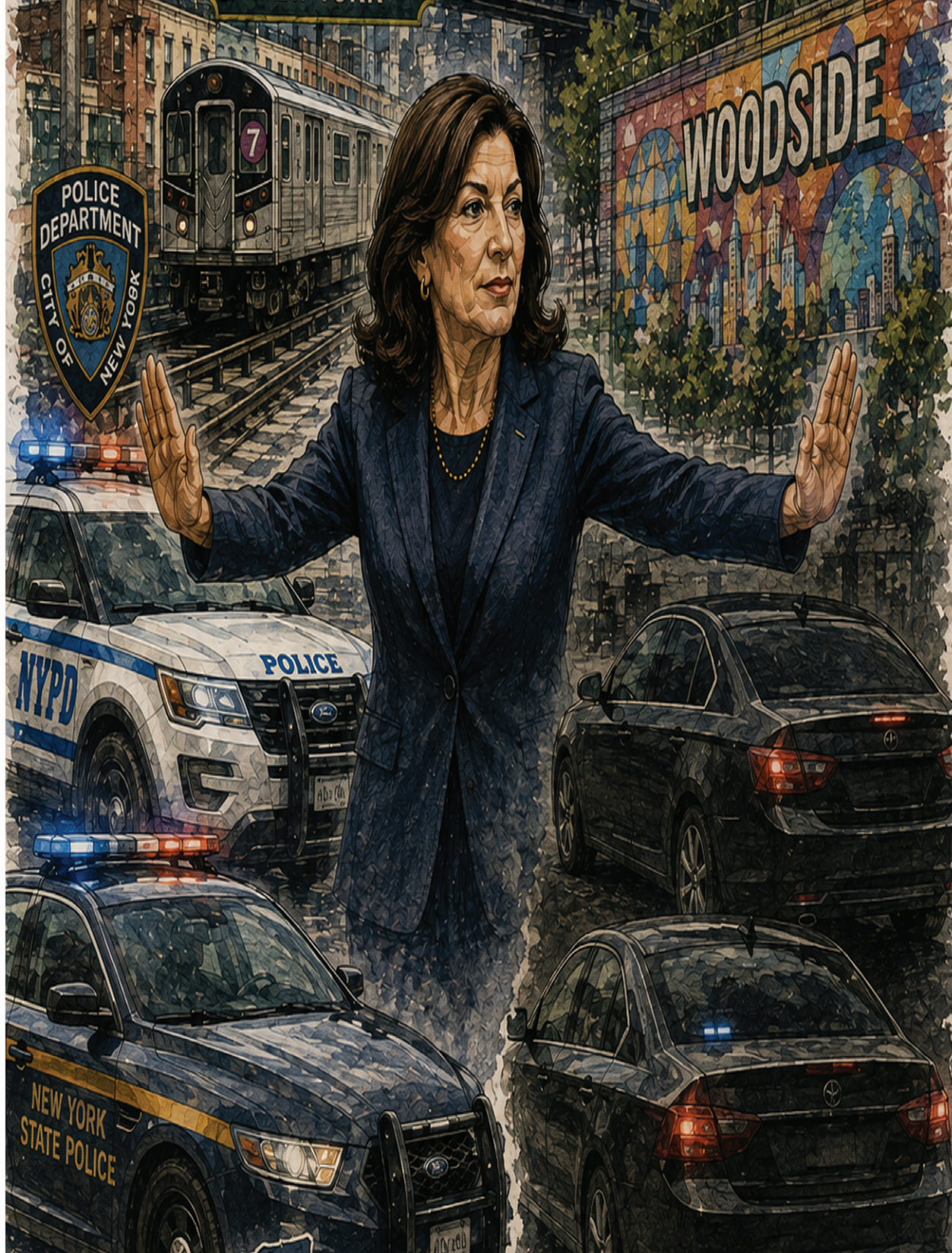
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LOCAL POLICE CAN'T JOIN ICE ENFORCEMENT



New York Ban on 287(g) Agreements Takes Effect

ALBANY — August 25, 2026 — A new New York State law prohibiting local law-enforcement agencies from entering into certain agreements with federal immigration authorities took effect Tuesday, according to an announcement from Gov. Kathy Hochul's office.

The provision, known as the Local Cops, Local Crimes Act, prohibits state and local governments, police agencies and correctional facilities from entering into or maintaining agreements under Section 287(g) of the federal Immigration and Nationality Act. The agreements have allowed participating local officers or employees to perform or assist with certain federal civil immigration-enforcement functions.

Under the new law, local governments and law-enforcement agencies are also prohibited from entering into similar arrangements that use local resources to detain people for federal civil immigration violations.

The governor's office said the law is intended to keep local law-enforcement resources focused on local public-safety responsibilities. The state said the measure does not prevent local police from working with federal agencies on criminal matters.

The announcement noted that 53 of New York's 62 counties have never entered into a 287(g) agreement with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE). The governor's office said that, before 2025, only one of the state's 62 counties had such an agreement.

According to the state, 12 local law-enforcement agencies currently had 287(g) agreements with ICE. In July, New York Attorney General Letitia James' Office of Immigrant Trust notified those agencies that the agreements were required to be terminated by August 25 under the new state law.

The law was signed in May as part of a comprehensive package of immigration protections.

The governor's office said a federal court denied the Justice Department's request for a preliminary injunction against the 287(g) provision, allowing the ban to take effect August 25.

The law also bars covered arrangements that use state or local law-enforcement personnel or facilities for federal civil immigration-enforcement purposes.

New York's Office of Immigrant Trust, established within the state Attorney General's Office, is responsible for helping enforce the state's requirements. According to the governor's office, the office can receive complaints, provide guidance to government agencies, conduct investigations and take legal action when appropriate.

New Yorkers who allege that a covered state or local entity has violated the law may contact the New York Attorney General's Office at 1-800-771-7755.

The governor's announcement emphasized that local police departments may continue working with federal agencies when addressing criminal matters. The law specifically concerns federal civil immigration enforcement and the use of state and local resources for those purposes.

*The Local Cops, Local Crimes Act
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WHAT STEPS CAN YOU TAKE TO FIND A NEW JOB?

by Stan Popovich

1. **Identify your interests:** Find what you like to do, and find a job that will match your current skill sets and work interests. You’re better off finding a job that you enjoy doing and where you can get some relevant job experience that can be used down the road.
2. **Update your skills:** Learning a new skill could be the key to finding another job if you lose your current one. It’s important to get into the habit of improving your skills on a regular basis. If you do not have enough job experience, do some volunteer work. A few hours a week can give you some relevant job experience which you can put down on your resume.
3. **Have a good resume:** A good resume is well-organized, easy to read, highlights your most relevant skills and experiences, and tailored to the specific job you’re applying for. It should be clear, concise, and demonstrate how you can add value to the organization.
Choose a resume format that is easy to read and scan, such as a chronological or functional format. Start your bullet points with action verbs to describe your accomplishments and include keywords for the job description. Make sure your resume is free of errors in grammar and spelling.
4. **Apply to small companies:** Many large companies get tons of job applicants when a position opens. This reduces your chances of getting a job because you will lose out to someone who has more experience. The trick is to apply to companies that have less than a hundred employees, which will give you a better chance of getting the job you want.
5. **Visit company websites:** If you know which employer you want to work for, you can go directly to the career section of its website. If you routinely search for openings on its site, you could find an opportunity that matches your skill set. Create a list of employers that you’d like to work for and visit their websites often.
6. **Contact department managers:** Find the manager in charge of the department you would like to work in and try contacting them. Focus your efforts on contacting the managers who have the power to hire you rather than relying on Human Resources.
7. **Network strategically:** Many of the best jobs are never advertised in what’s essentially a hidden job market. These jobs are filled by candidates who learn by word of mouth from friends, former colleagues, and doing some research.
By networking, you can improve your chances of finding an unadvertised job. Consider joining professional associations, attending alumni events, and connecting with professionals who work in your field. Take every chance you get to meet up, in person or online, with others in your field.
8. **Expand your horizons:** If you can’t find a job in a particular field, then find something that might be similar. The more companies you can find that use your skill sets, the better the chances you will find a job. Expand your horizons when it comes to finding places that use your job skills.



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by Rix Quinn

One of life’s great questions is, “What makes people fall in love?” Almost nobody knows how to answer this. All we know is that suddenly a young man willingly trades a heart full of love and a wallet full of money for a wedding full of guests who sit on the bride’s side. And nobody can tell you how to craft a perfect union. It’s a little like synchronized swimming in a heated pool. No matter how much you practice, you’ll never do everything correctly, and half the time you’re in hot water.

To start things well, a flawless “ring presentation” is critical. If you do it right, she’ll remember it for the rest of her life. If you do it wrong, you may hear about it for the rest of your life. Before you purchase the jewelry, take your beloved shopping, and ask thoughtful questions like “Do you agree with me that a large ring is pretentious?” Possibly, she will answer “no,” and steer you to a stunning stone that will cost you more than your first two cars. But that’s OK...it’ll get much better mileage. Perhaps the best way to present the ring is after a fine meal at a top restaurant. After completing dessert, you might pull the ring from your pocket, and utter something memorable like “I’ve been waiting for the right time to tell you...I want to spend the rest of time with you.”

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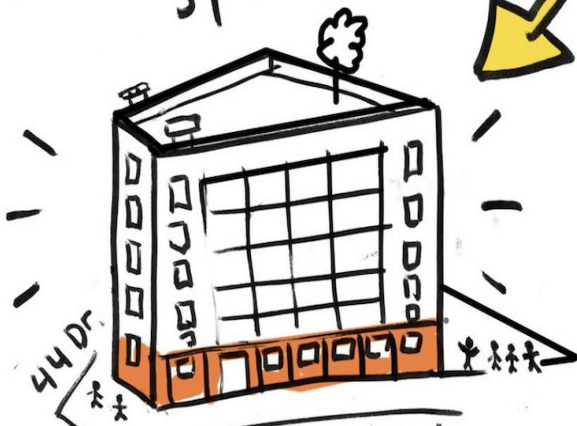
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GRID HOPPING BY BIKE - PART 2: BROOKLYN

by Cyclo Pete



Happy trails, Woodsiders. As the summer draws closer to the end, we still have some time to get in some good rides in and around our area. Brooklyn has been hot for what seems like most of this century. Last time we talked about how to get around our home borough, but now we'll take a look at our sister borough on this great island. Read on to make some sense of the bike network in Brooklyn.

Stick to the Waterfront

The areas closest to our neck of the woods in the Northern Brooklyn area are Greenpoint and Williamsburg. These are easily unlocked by using the fabulous Brooklyn Waterfront Greenway, which hugs the East River and the Kent Ave to Flushing Ave connection can get you further downtown to DUMBO and then down past Brooklyn Heights and Cobble Hill all the way down to Red Hook, almost exclusively on protected lanes over flat terrain. This is a lovely ride and can unlock many of the marquee neighborhoods the borough has to offer.

Go Fourth or Hit Ocean

If you're looking for some of the more land locked areas in Brooklyn, I'd like to posit a relatively new and superb route. By taking Ashland Place off of Flushing in Fort Greene you can access easterly lanes that go towards Clinton Hill, Bed Stuy, and even Bushwick. But once you continue past Barclays Center and hit Fourth Ave, you can easily get to Park Slope, Prospect Heights, Crown Heights, Windsor Terrace, or just stay on Fourth to get out to Sunset Park and beyond. And if you want to get beach bound, take 9th Street and go through Prospect Park to get to Ocean Parkway, the oldest protected bike lane in the country!

A good bike ride consists of taking a few local blocks to get to a through street where you spend most of your ride, only to end with a few local blocks. Brooklyn has an excellent and established bike network and, with a few exceptions, is pretty flat and comfortable to ride. So, next time you groan at an event that would otherwise take you three boroughs and multiple train lines to get to, take a look at how to get there on two wheels, and ride safely, Woodside!

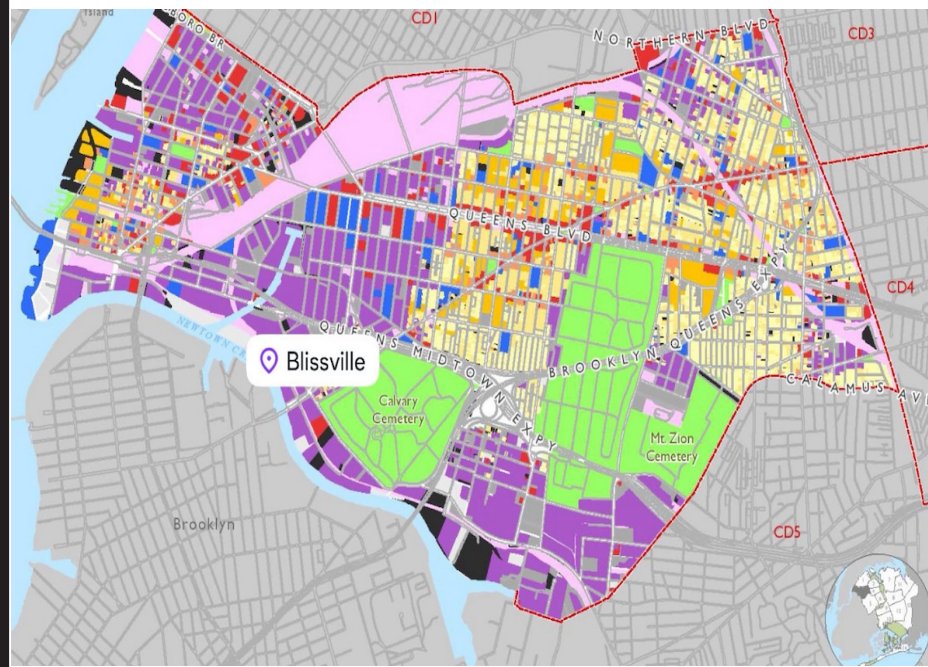
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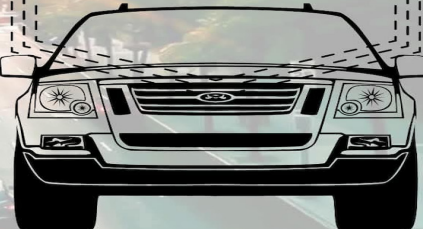


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