

DYCD ANNUAL REPORT

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**EMPOWERING
INDIVIDUALS**



Our Mission

The New York City Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) invests in a network of community-based organizations and programs to alleviate the effects of poverty and to provide opportunities for New Yorkers and communities to flourish.

**INVESTING IN
COMMUNITIES**



**STRENGTHENING
FAMILIES**

Our Vision

DYCD strives to improve the quality of life of New Yorkers by collaborating with local organizations and investing in the talents and assets of our communities to help them develop, grow and thrive.

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to present the 2022 Annual Report of the New York City Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD). This is my first annual report as DYCD Commissioner, and it chronicles a momentous time in our history. Initially a \$77 million agency when created in 1996, DYCD saw its budget for FY2022 reach a billion dollars for the first time ever as we celebrated our 25th anniversary in 2021.

This also represented a recovery year from impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, during which DYCD and its providers sought to prioritize the health and safety of participants and staff while putting forward high-quality programming to meet both ongoing needs and those emerging as a result of the pandemic. Participation increased across most services, with a total of 313,388 young people and 73,338 adults participating in DYCD-funded programming during FY2022.

Thanks to unprecedented investments in our youth and communities by Mayor Eric Adams, DYCD was able to continue that commitment to New Yorkers this past summer, and help fulfill the administration's promise to "Get Stuff Done." We saw record-setting years for the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) and Summer Rising in 2022, and expanded the number of Saturday Night Lights sites across the city to give young people safe places for learning, recreation, and forming new friendships.

I invite you to read on for a recap of these and other agency accomplishments in 2022. I am proud to lead an agency staffed with extraordinary public servants and supported by dedicated community-based organizations that help achieve our mission to alleviate the effects of poverty and provide opportunities for New Yorkers and communities to flourish.

Sincerely,

Keith Howard
Commissioner
NYC Department of Youth & Community Development



Meet the Commissioner

Keith Howard was appointed Commissioner of the NYC Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) by Mayor Eric Adams in June 2022. Commissioner Howard formerly served as NYC Department of Transportation (DOT) Associate Deputy Commissioner of the Sidewalk Inspection Management Division. He also was an Adjunct Professor at Queens College and the Joseph S. Murphy Institute for Worker Education and Labor Studies. Commissioner Howard has dedicated 30 years of his professional career to public service and held various senior level positions in New York City government.

While education and career are priorities in his life, there are more layers. As a child, he was taught by his parents about the importance of service to the community. So, in the summer of 2002, Commissioner Howard started the non-profit Harlem Group. The organization sponsored health fairs with government agencies and community-based organizations in the Bronx, Brooklyn, and Staten Island. In collaboration with Health Plus Incorporated, the Harlem Group successfully enrolled over 100 families in free health care programs underwritten by the New York State government.

As a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., the first Black Greek fraternity, Commissioner Howard has seen the need to build on the fraternity and a commitment to community service by creating a non-profit organization called Servants of All (SOA). For ten years, SOA has escorted more than 700 underprivileged high school and middle school students on college tours to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). The goal of the tours is to bring college awareness to students who may not have the resources or access to visit college campuses across the country.

Commissioner Howard is married and the father of two young adults. He is a proud alumnus of John Jay College, where he was awarded a bachelor's degree as well as a master's degree in public administration.

DYCD REALLY GREW IN '22!

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SYEP)

- A record 100,000 jobs for young people aged 14-24.
- An all-time high 18,000+ worksites in all five boroughs.
- Financial literacy for every participant.
- More opportunities for youth in NYCHA, foster care, District 75, or who are runaway and/or homeless, justice-involved, or receiving preventative services through ACS.



SUMMER RISING

- Program expanded to serve a record 110,000 K-8 young people.
- Higher-quality program models, Friday sessions, and optional extended hours.
- More inclusive programming for District 75 students and those with 12-month Individualized Education Programs (IEPs).

SATURDAY NIGHT LIGHTS

- Program expanded to serve a record 110,000 K-8 young people.
- Basketball, soccer, volleyball, and other enrichment activities at gyms in all five boroughs.
- To raise awareness about the dangers of gun violence, Saturday Night Lights participants are 'playing with purpose' for DYCD's 'Not One More Shot' campaign.



DYCD REALLY GREW IN '22!

CLEARING THE BACKLOG INITIATIVE

- As one of the largest city contracting agencies, DYCD greatly contributed to the city's twelve-week Clear the Backlog initiative.
- DYCD and our sister agencies cleared a backlog of contracts—resulting in 1,580 previously unregistered, retroactive contract actions being registered or submitted for registration.
- \$117.5 million was released to the sector, and more than 450 providers were freed up to serve New Yorkers.



2022 COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENTS/PUBLIC HEARINGS

- More than 23,000 surveys collected, far exceeding the number collected in 2019.
- This year marked the first time DYCD issued an online survey to go along with street outreach.
- Public hearings were held in the 41 Neighborhood Development Areas (NDAs) to give the public a voice; hybrid meetings enabled more New Yorkers to participate.

Administration

Budget and Finance

Created efficiencies in contract registration by decoupling insurance checks from the budget approval process and simplifying budget requirements to help the city's Clear the Backlog Initiative (*for more, see DYCD Really Grew in '22 section*).

Distributed \$617 million in fiscal year 2022 payments to community partners, including \$15.6 million in additional advances to help support cash flow.

Worked to establish a contingency allowance for more than 1,300 contracts, paving the way for up to \$400 million to be made available to nonprofit partners in a shorter time frame, by streamlining the contract spending authority process.

Implemented the Wage Enhancement Initiative to ensure \$8.7 million was awarded to support nonprofit staff who serve our most vulnerable communities.

Information Technology

IT continues to deliver high-quality applications, increasing our agency security and improving internal processes to aid our mission.

Fourteen programs funded through the federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG), including NDA Healthy Families, Seniors, and Immigrant Services, were onboarded to the DYCD Connect Participant Tracking System. Development for workforce programs such as Advanced & Earn were also completed in DYCD Connect, along with the release of two new public facing portals (discoverWorkforce and Worksite portals) to support the programs in anticipation for the FY23 program period. IT also worked closely with DOE and program staff to integrate DOE data into discoverDYCD and DYCD Connect for the Summer Rising initiative.

The discoverDYCD program and application search engine was honored with national and local awards in 2022.

Community Development

Co-hosted by DYCD, the National Community Action Partnership (NCAP) conference held in New York City attracted 1,500 in-person attendees and another 200 virtual participants. The agency delivered five workshops, and agency staff handled most of the pre-Convention work and conducted site visits and tours of the city that enabled 100 convention attendees to see "Community Action" as well as NYC sites of interest.

DYCD's Barbershop Talks series continued in 2022, with topics including: human trafficking, mental health, toxic masculinity, inclusion, community action, domestic violence, gun violence, and Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month.



Community Development program highlights:

Community Action/Neighborhood Development Areas (NDA)

NDA programs served more than 8,000 New Yorkers in FY 22 under the Housing, Healthy Families, High School, Seniors, and Opportunity Youth programs.

Discretionary Action Programs (DAP)

Well over two million meals and food parcels were distributed by 100 service providers funded by the Discretionary Food Pantry Initiative. This program is essential to ensuring there are no gaps in emergency food assistance for our most vulnerable residents.

To support our Asian American & Pacific Islander (AAPI) community, DYCD hosted a meeting of services providers awarded under the NYC Council AAPI Initiative. This meeting was to help providers, particularly nonprofits new to discretionary funded programming, with the contracting process.

The DAP unit is continuing to build engagement with our contracted service providers, in particular those with City Council special initiative awards. We are working with our special initiative service providers to bring them in to our program tracking systems, which we will leverage to help monitor, assess, and improve service delivery and provider capacity.

Fatherhood/Motherhood

In Fiscal Year 2022, DYCD Fatherhood programs enrolled 1,462 fathers at eight program sites, with 1,379 dads demonstrating increased access to needed benefits and services or increased child engagement and financial support to their child/children.

The 2022 Father's Day gathering, *Affirming Fatherhood New York: Building Great Men through Positive Parenting*, featured motivational workshops and conversations involving responsible fatherhood practitioners, stakeholders, and community advocates. The gathering was a two-part virtual conference full of resources, coaching, and educational workshops to help fathers and practitioners learn how to navigate and reduce roadblocks that sometimes hinder them from being consistently involved with their families.

Fatherhood events included an outing to Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park, a New York Mets game at Citi Field for Father's Day, Dads Take Your Child to School Day, and DYCD Meet Your Dad at Afterschool events hosted by DYCD-funded COMPASS programs.

DYCD's Community Moms virtual event was themed *A Seat at the Table*, and celebrated moms and mother figures around the city. Deputy Commissioner Susan Haskell and Executive Director of the New York City Commission on Gender Equity Jacqueline Ebanks were among those delivering remarks.

Literacy and Immigrant Services

Despite challenges brought by the pandemic, the Unit saw great achievements by funded providers. Adult literacy programs served 14,062 New Yorkers, and 8,225 of them met the standards of improvement in their ability to read, write, and speak English. Immigrant services programs served 1,319 participants. Seventy five percent of the participants achieved outcomes, which exceeded the Fiscal 2022 target of 60 percent.



The Literacy and Immigrant Services Unit managed the City Council Adult Literacy Pilot Project, which invested \$2.5 million in 19 literacy providers so that they can provide enhanced services. The flexible enhancement funding afforded providers an opportunity to focus not only on academic achievement but also invested in increasing staff capacity, strengthening technology and digital infrastructure, and expanding learning opportunities and support services. Providers reported that the investment had a positive impact on staff engagement and morale, student engagement, digital literacy skill gains, and overall educational gains. Approximately 4,437 participants benefited from the pilot program.



Release of the Literacy Services Concept Paper to refresh adult and adolescent literacy practices and solicit contractors for currently funded Literacy (ABE/HSE, ESOL/BENL, Adolescent) programs.

Neighborhood Advisory Board Liaison Unit (NABLU)

DYCD launched the first-ever electronic Community Needs Assessment (CNA) Survey to reach more New Yorkers throughout the City. See *DYCD Really Grew in '22* section for more on the CNA and public hearings.

Interagency Coordinating Council on Youth (ICC)

The ICC is a New York City Charter-mandated entity created in 1989 to promote interagency collaboration on issues relevant to young people and to support youth and families by utilizing the City of New York's multitude of government resources. The primary membership is comprised of representatives of each of the city's youth serving agencies and is directed by the DYCD Commissioner.



Meetings during the year covered an array of topics, including NYC Votes, LGBTQ+ youth and competency training, youth mental health, justice-involved young people, alternatives to incarceration, legal training, and youth financial literacy. At the first-ever ICC hybrid event in December, Commissioner Howard addressed the upcoming new model of the ICC, including the establishment of communication pathways to alert ICC members when a young person is at the scene of a traumatic event and in need of services.

Procurement Automation Contracts & Evaluation (PACE)

See *DYCD Really Grew in '22* section for more on the *Clearing the Backlog* initiative.

The PACE team continues to be an essential unit to DYCD and our contracted providers. During the 12-week Clear the Backlog initiative, PACE was able to register over 1,500 contracts, the largest number of contracts cleared during the backlog initiative citywide. PACE's total of registered contracts during fiscal year 2022 was over 4,000, making funding available to our CBOs for the critical services provided to New York City residents.



PACE continues to work closely with our City oversight with the goal of contracting smarter, being transparent in the procurement process and advocating for much needed reform. The PACE team is focusing on updated training materials and making additional efficiencies to expedite registration and reduce administrative burdens.

Planning, Program Integration and Evaluation (PPIE)

PPIE led the process for Opportunity Starts with a Home, a comprehensive NYC youth homelessness plan, fueled by a \$15 million grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), and announced by the Mayor in August. The Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY) unit launched new collaborations and initiatives to support homeless youth, including financial literacy services and peer navigation at RHY Drop-in Centers.

DYCD hosted its first-ever capacity building event for nonprofit faith-based organizations (FBOs), *How Faith-Based Organizations Can Access City Funding*. Nearly 100 attendees from organizations across the five boroughs learned more about applying for City Council discretionary awards and other city funding, met leaders from DYCD and its funded organizations, and networked with their nonprofit colleagues.

Earlier in the year, DYCD hosted *2022 Building Bridges: Learn How to Get Funding from NYC Agencies*. These convenings are intended to assist small, emerging nonprofits interested in learning how to apply for NYC funding, board governance, and volunteer management. In the virtual panel presentation, representatives from different City agencies guided prospective funding recipients through the process of creating an account, types of funding available, Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) certification, and additional free services to support their growth.

Strategic Partnerships

See *DYCD Really Grew in '22* section for more on the Saturday Night Lights initiative.

DYCD, the New York Knicks, and the YMCA of Greater New York expanded their basketball clinics to provide safe, high-quality programs at no cost to teens across the city. In December 2022, the Knicks kicked off a series of five clinics for YMCA teens between the ages of 11 and 18 at the Castle Hill YMCA in the Bronx as part of the Saturday Night Lights program.

Workforce

Advance & Earn

Advance & Earn continues to offer a continuum of services including literacy and math instruction, basic skills instruction within the context of a specific industry sector, HSE test preparation, work readiness training, college and career exploration, paid work experience, advanced occupational training, and industry credential attainment, all supported by case management and wrap-around services.



CareerReady Work, Learn and Grow (WLG)

The very successful WLG program is being expanded to provide a year-round experience to high-need SYEP CareerReady and Special Initiatives participants. In the fall of 2022, more than 4,000 youth aged 16-19 had the opportunity to strengthen their work readiness skills, explore careers, and receive academic support, including access to college-level courses.

Learn & Earn (WIOA)

Implementation of 250 paid hours of school year internship and college readiness services at \$15/hour for all participants. This will allow participants to grow work readiness skills, gain CUNY credit and earn money, and further align DYCD's workforce development programs for in-school youth.

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)/Ladders for Leaders

See *DYCD Really Grew in '22* section for more on the record year for SYEP.

For the first time in its history, SYEP provided jobs and paid opportunities to 100,000 young people aged 14-24. Citywide, 18,000+ worksites also set a new record. Participants engaged with employers such as Microsoft, SL Green Realty, and Google, and more than 5,000 young people worked at over 80 city agencies, including NYPD, FDNY, SBS, the Mayor's Office, OCME, DOHMH, DOT, among many others.

SYEP Week (April 25 - April 29) was a social media campaign to promote the extended application period, and to reach as many stakeholders as possible (including young people, parents, employers, and providers) and encourage them to play a role in this year's historic program. Youth had a chance to win an iPad by sharing personal SYEP experiences on their social media platforms using #mySYEPstory.

Celebrations throughout the summer included the program kickoff at Maimonides Medical Center in Brooklyn; Mayor Adams' healthy cooking demonstration and culinary career panel at Gracie Mansion; an SYEP Project-Based Learning (PBL) gathering at the Hilton Garden Inn on Staten Island; SYEP NYPD and FDNY Career Days; and the Mayor's Office hosting Ladders for Leaders and SYEP interns at City Hall for a guided walking tour with their historian.

In November, Mayor Adams hosted a reception at Gracie Mansion recognizing SYEP partners and employers and presenting the Employer of the Year award to the leadership of SL Green Realty.

Train & Earn (WIOA)

DYCD increased the hourly wage from \$15 to \$18 an hour for internships. In a tight labor market where our programs are competing with jobs paying \$15 or higher, a bigger wage for the paid work experience component of the program is an important piece of the overall DYCD workforce development recruitment and retention strategy.



Youth Services

See *DYCD Really Grew in '22* section for more on the *Summer Rising* and *Saturday Night Lights* initiatives.

Beacon and Cornerstone Community Centers

Commissioner Howard joined the Mayor, NYPD Commissioner Keechant Sewell, and elected officials for the official kickoff event of Saturday Night Lights (SNL) held at a PAL Community Center in the Bronx. The gathering was held to announce the addition of 25 expansion sites. All SNL programs received food for their participants across the city. The meals were provided by DYCD food vendor, Whitsons Culinary Group.

COMPASS/Afterschool

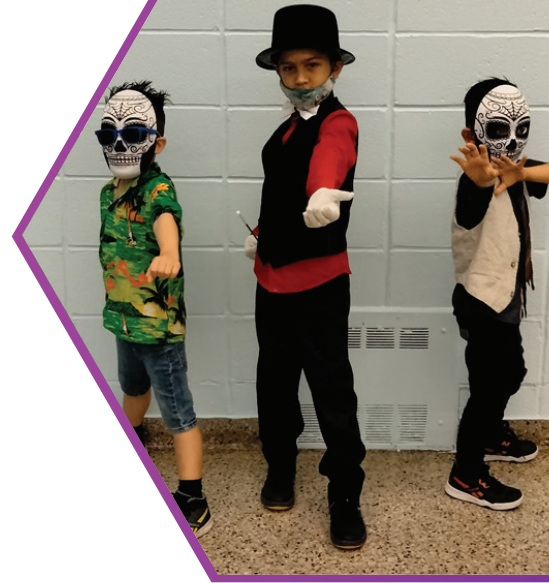
Commissioner Howard joined US Department of Education Secretary Miguel Cardona and Rep. Grace Meng at a roundtable discussion at P.S. 7 in Elmhurst, Queens, regarding Summer Rising. The Secretary spoke to the young people and parent about their summer experiences in Summer Rising and how it should be emulated nationally.

During the first full week of afterschool, the Commissioner was excited to visit several programs as we welcomed back young people to a new school year: Community Association of Progressive Dominicans at Community Math & Science Prep and Fresh Youth Initiatives (P.S. 28) in Manhattan; and NIA Community Services Network (P.S. 247) and Research Foundation of CUNY (RFCUNY) at P.S. 6 in Brooklyn. DYCD program staff also sent welcome emails to our CBOs—they are overseeing nearly 1,100 Beacon, Cornerstone, COMPASS, NDA High School, and Adolescent Literacy programs in all five boroughs this year.

Runaway and Homeless Youth (RHY)

See *Planning, Program Integration and Evaluation (PPIE)* for “*Opportunity Starts with a Home.*”

In observation of National Runaway Prevention Month in November, DYCD hosted a bowling event for than 50 young people; the 7th annual Open Mic event at Trinity Church Wall Street, during which talented young people from our funded RHY programs took center stage and showcased their spoken word, song, dance, artwork, and more in front of a supportive audience; and a Knicks game at Madison Square Garden.



DYCD EVENTS & MILESTONES



Above the Rim

The Children's Aid Milbank Community Center in Harlem hosted DYCD's Above the Rim youth basketball tournament. Activities included 150 young people from our Beacon, Cornerstone, and COMPASS programs participating in a STEM NBA Math Hoops tournament. Other partners for the day were Learn Fresh, the Brooklyn Nets, BSE Global, Nutrizone, and the Make a Play Foundation.

Active Shooter Trainings

DYCD hosted a series of active shooter trainings for DYCD staff and our funded community partners, with more than 200 participants in all. Each training offered a 2 ½-hour presentation on proper preparation and safety concerns with any type of aggressive intruder or active shooter, environment awareness, chain of survival techniques, mental preparation, and immediate action response techniques. The audiences were program directors and assisting program directors at Cornerstone programs, and DYCD program managers and staff for Cornerstone, Runaway and Homeless Youth, Beacon, Saturday Night Lights, COMPASS, and others.



Asian American History Curriculum

An innovative partnership between DYCD and the Asian American Education Project (AAEDu) to develop a six-week pilot program addressing the rise in attacks against Asian Americans. Middle school and high school curriculum covering the history of the Asian Pacific Islander Desi American (APIIDA) community and its impact on America's history was activated and overseen by Immigrant Social Services and the Chinese-American Planning Council.

Borough Days

Commissioner Howard's "road tour" took him to all five boroughs to visit DYCD-funded providers and other community partners:

Staten Island: United Activities Unlimited (UAU) at P.S. 18; UAU West Brighton and JCC of Staten Island at Gerard Carter Center, Stapleton Houses; Staten Island Zoo; Corporate Commons Three/Commons Café; Project Hospitality drop-in center; and a meet and greet with Reverend Dr. Demetrius S. Carolina, Sr. of Discretionary provider Central Family Life Center.

Manhattan: Manhattanville Cornerstone Center, Covenant House, Harlem Mothers & Fathers S.A.V.E., Children's Aid Dunlevy Milbank Center, and the Microsoft Experience Center.

Queens: NYPD 101st Precinct, NYC Department of Parks and Recreation at Rockaway Beach; The Child Center of New York program at the Ocean Bay Cornerstone; Rockaway Waterfront Alliance; New York Edge; Rochdale Village, Jamaica; and a community roundtable discussion at the Rockaway Development and Revitalization Corporation.

Bronx: Community center at St. Barnabas Hospital, and a meeting with BronxConnect and its Release the Grip violence interrupter program.

Brooklyn: Brevoort Cornerstone in Bedford-Stuyvesant, Man Up! Inc. in East New York, CAMBA in Flatbush, FOCH in Crown Heights, CPC in Sunset Park, and meetings with NYC Gun Violence Prevention Czar A.T. Mitchell of Man Up! and Lance Feurtado of King of Kings.



Columbia University Justice Ambassadors

DYCD welcomed Columbia University's Justice Ambassadors (JAYC), a platform for young people, 18 to 24 years of age, who have been previously justice-involved. These young people are turning their lives around and want to give back and prevent the next generation of young people from entering the justice system.

Equity

In support of DYCD's Strategic Plan priority of increasing its efforts to be a pro-active, anti-racist city agency, the Introduction to Equity: Key Racial and Social Justice Terms and Concepts was a three-day workshop for staff members facilitated by Diana Noriega, Chief Anti-Racism and Equity Officer at Good Shepherd Services. In addition to exploring DYCD's Equity Statement, staff learned more about interpersonal, internalized, institutional, and structural racism, racial identity development, and intersectionality.

Healing the Hurt

The Healing the Hurt conference featured discussions about collective responses to trauma and social injustices that support the mental and emotional well-being of DYCD-funded program staff, youth, and families. Highlights included keynote speaker Jennifer Jones-Austin, a youth panel discussion, and workshops on topics such as building equitable communities, maintaining a resilient workforce, as well as trauma response and care.

Justice Ambassadors Youth Council

'Bridging the divide between city agencies, academic institutions and disadvantaged communities'

7th Annual Healing the Hurt

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Juneteenth

Commissioner Howard dropped by Children's Arts and Science Workshops (CASW) in the Bronx to meet with young people at its Juneteenth event. CASW combined Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) job placement with a community Juneteenth commemoration to create an educational opportunity for young participants.

Making Waves

DYCD joined the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) and the Department of Education (DOE) at Seward Park High School on the Lower East Side to celebrate a new class of lifeguards graduating from Making Waves, a cross-agency partnership that provides free swimming lessons and water safety instruction for young people who live in low-income neighborhoods across the city. More than 300 community-based organizations participated in the six-week summer initiative, which started with Cornerstone camps and now engages Beacon, COMPASS, and Summer Rising programs.

Mental Health

DYCD has developed a new approach to mental health supports that will be universal to new procurements.



DYCD EVENTS & MILESTONES



National Night Out

DYCD participated in more than 20 National Night Out events, including a visit by Commissioner Howard to the 43rd Precinct in the Bronx. More than four dozen DYCD staff members and interns joined with Neighborhood Advisory Board (NAB) members to reach 38 of the 41 Neighborhood Development Areas (NDA) neighborhoods with the highest needs.

Neighborhood Sports Programs

Through the newly created NYS Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Funding, DYCD worked with our providers to create seven Neighborhood Sports Programs. All of the programs were within the 33 precincts that make up the highest number of shootings in NYC and included unique partnerships that supported safe spaces for the young people and neighborhoods involved.



New Year's Eve Ball Drop

Nearly two dozen young people got an up close and personal look at the ball drop on New Year's Eve. Commissioner Howard spoke to the youth at the Duncan PAL center in Midtown, where they enjoyed dinner and a comedy show before heading over to Times Square for the big celebration. This partnership with the NYPD made it possible for youth from the Chinese-American Planning Council and Mosholu Montefiore Community Center (MMCC) to welcome 2023 in an unforgettable way.

Not One More Shot

To commemorate Gun Violence Awareness Day, DYCD launched its Not One More Shot Gun Violence Prevention Campaign. Approximately 800 youth and community members gathered at Basketball City Pier 36 in Manhattan to advance social change through youth civic leadership activities in sports, social entrepreneurship, and the arts. The Not One More Shot campaign is a movement that activates young people to become social impact influencers in their communities by pledging to Create With Purpose, Lead With Purpose, or Play With Purpose, and to raise awareness about the negative impacts of gun violence in their neighborhoods.

NYC Junior Ambassadors

Commissioner Howard joined Mayor's Office for International Affairs Commissioner Edward Mermelstein and his team for a tour of the United Nations and to discuss the NYC Junior Ambassadors initiative. The program focuses on empowering seventh graders in all five boroughs to become actively engaged with the U.N. and its mission of addressing the most pressing challenges in the world. It leverages New York City's unique position as host city of U.N. headquarters to enable youth to see themselves as global citizens.

Sloan Public Service Award

DYCD's Darryl Rattray was presented with the Sloan Public Service Award and a \$10,000 check by the Fund for the City of New York. Among those on hand to celebrate Darryl were First Deputy Mayor Sheena Wright; Lisette Nieves and Aldrin Bonilla from the Fund for the City of New York; New York Urban League President and CEO Arve Rice; and Director of Youth Services for Catholic Charities Community Services, Eddie Silverio.



DYCD EVENTS & MILESTONES

Spring into Health

Through May, DYCD-funded providers hosted events across NYC with the goal of Strengthening, Supporting, and Mobilizing neighborhoods to improve community health. A signature event was held at the Dunlevy Milbank Community Center in Harlem as an opportunity to build bridges between local residents and community organizations.

Step it Up

The inaugural Anthem Awards honored DYCD's "STEP IT UP NYC: Black Lives Matter," which won GOLD in the Best Education, Art, & Culture category. The Step It Up NYC initiative began in 2009 as a youth engagement program focused on fusing the passion to move with the drive to create change. Through social campaigns and dance performances youth teams from across all five boroughs compete to raise their voices in their community. Winners were celebrated at the first annual Anthem Voices conference and Awards Show.

Trucks of Art

DYCD joined the Department of Sanitation (DSNY) at a press conference in Manhattan to unveil five newly painted DSNY collection trucks transformed by winning artists for this year's Trucks of Art Program. The artists and a team of youth led by Career Advancement Coordinator Jeremy Nunez each painted a 20-ton collection truck with art that celebrates cleanliness, sustainability, and our essential workers. The artists, including young people from The Door Center for Alternatives, United Activities Unlimited, and Commonpoint Queens, were chosen from among more than 240 submissions. The trucks immediately began collecting refuse and recycling on the streets of each of the five boroughs, with DYCD's vehicle hitting the streets of Staten Island.



Young Future Leaders

Commissioner Howard participated in a panel at Gracie Mansion with Mayor Adams, Schools Chancellor David Banks, Young Future Leaders Founder Joshua Dieudonne, and moderator First Deputy Mayor Sheena Wright at the Young Future Leaders Summit. This was a great opportunity to directly address our city's best and brightest young people and make them aware of the services available through DYCD. Our agency was well represented by volunteer staff on site to support the event, and additional staffers at the resource table.



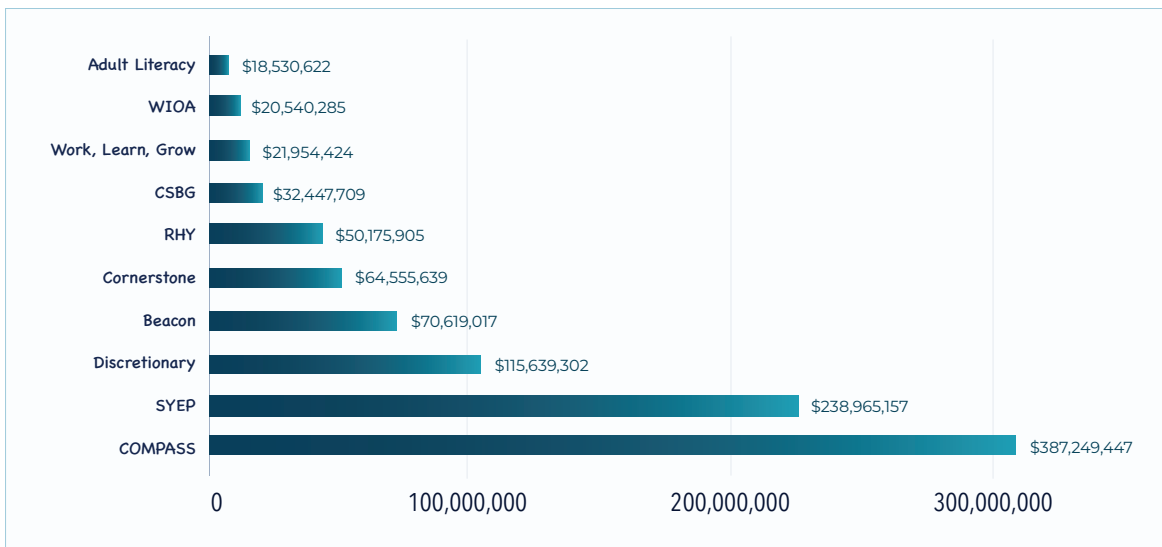
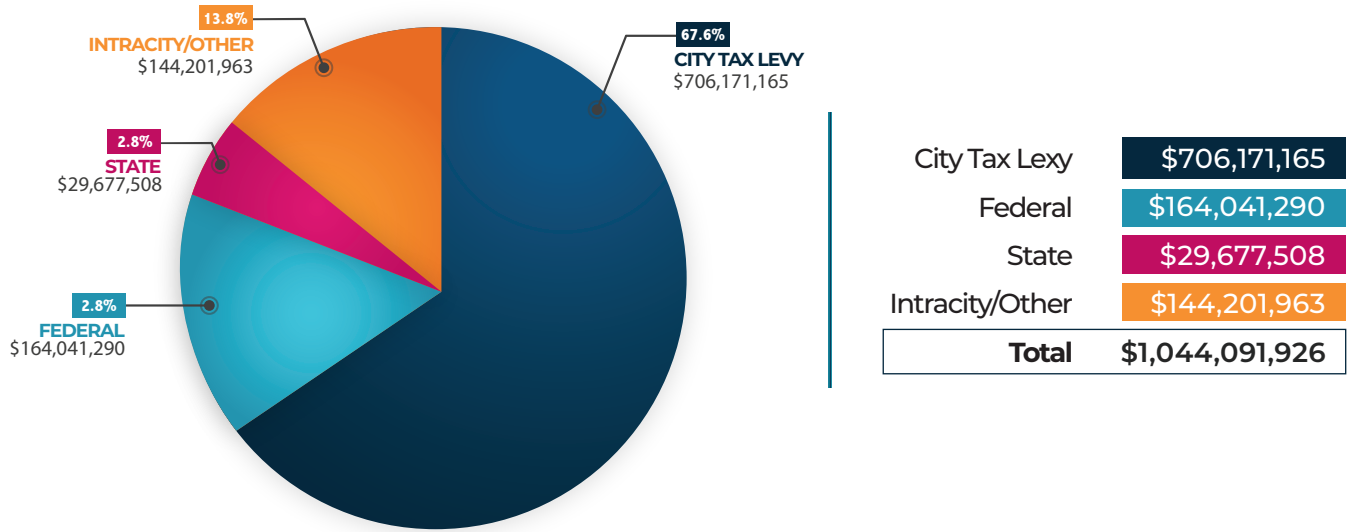
Young Sharks

In June, the final for Young Sharks was hosted by DYCD. The project-based initiative is a social entrepreneurship competition for high school students in New York City. It incorporates not only business basics and product design, but college and career readiness, financial literacy, and leadership development.

Youth Agenda

Youth advocates and teens presented to Mayor Adams and City Council a comprehensive Youth Policy Agenda that reflects the needs and priorities of New York's young people. With assistance from organizations such as the Citizens' Committee for Children of New York (CCC), CUNY's Intergenerational Change Initiative (ICI), YVote, and the We the YOUTH Advisory Council, the young people surveyed more than 3,000 peers to craft the Youth Agenda. The We the YOUTH Advisory Council was created by DYCD to directly engage with the systems and policies that affect youth the most.

FY22 DYCD Budget Funding Streams



ACRONYM KEY	
WIOA	Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
CSBG	Community Services Block Grant
RHY	Runaway and Homeless Youth Program
SYEP	Summer Youth Employment Program
Compass NYC	The Comprehensive Afterschool System of NYC



discoverDYCD allows users to search for DYCD-funded providers by program type, borough, neighborhood or zip code, and provides contact information, lists of activities offered, and a mapping feature with navigation. Advanced search features also allow users to narrow results through keywords.

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