

Brooklyn Public Library Inclusive Services Family Resource Fair: **Exhibitor Resource List 2026**

ADAPT Community Network

ADAPT Community Network is proudly supporting children and adults with disabilities and their families. It is currently celebrating its 80th anniversary of empowering people through innovative solutions, one person at a time. ADAPT's comprehensive programs provide education, health, technology, residential and recreational services to over 20,000 individuals and families living with disabilities such as autism, cerebral palsy, and neuromuscular disorders.

Learn more at www.adaptcommunitynetwork.org

Follow on Instagram/Facebook @adaptwechange and YouTube @adaptwechange.

Contact by email: Projectconnect@adaptcommunitynetwork.org; **by phone:** (877) 827-2666 (Project Connect)

Advocates for Children

Advocates for Children of New York (AFC)'s mission is to ensure a high-quality education for New York City students who face barriers to academic success, focusing on students from low-income backgrounds. AFC works alongside students and their families by providing direct guidance and support by offering free advice and legal representation. AFC also provides free trainings and workshops for parents, communities, educators, and other professionals to provide families with tools to better navigate the NYC Department of Education. In addition to our direct community work, AFC also engages in policy advocacy and impact litigation to spur change in the education system and improve education outcomes.

Learn more at <https://advocatesforchildren.org/>

Follow on Instagram and Twitter/X @afcnewyork

Contact by phone: (866) 427-6033

Andrew Heiskell Braille and Talking Book Library

Do you know anyone who has trouble reading standard print books due to blindness, low vision (including cataracts, macular degeneration, and glaucoma), a physical disability (including arthritis, stroke, Parkinson's Disease, Multiple Sclerosis, tremors), or a reading disability (such as Dyslexia, processing disorders, etc.)? The Andrew Heiskell Braille and Talking Book Library provides FREE accessible reading material for patrons with print disabilities living in New York City and Long Island. We offer both physical and digital materials for users of all ages to borrow—including braille, talking books, magazines, early tactile literacy kits, Sensational BlackBoards, and more. You can download books and magazines to your own device with the

BARD Mobile app, or we can mail materials straight to your door! We also offer free accessible programming and events, individual coaching in assistive technology, group workshops, a braille study group, the Dimensions Lab for Tactile Creation, and more.

Learn more at talkingbooks.nypl.org (Spanish: nypl.org/libroshablados)

Contact by phone: 212-206-5400; **by email:** talkingbooks@nypl.org

ASL at BPL

ASL at BPL is a group of Brooklyn Public Library staff, librarians, and community friends dedicated to learning American Sign Language (ASL) and advancing accessibility and learning opportunities across our branches. Inspired by a shared commitment to serve all Brooklyn's communities that are welcome here, ASL at BPL librarians recently participated in the library's first three-month ASL course offered in partnership with the Sign Language Center of New York. The group welcomes BPL staff and community members interested in Deaf culture, history, accessibility, and learning ASL socially. Through captioned and ASL pop-up (PiP) movies, ASL-led events, and community partnerships, we create opportunities to learn, connect, and grow together.

Did you know? In New York City, over 208,000 people use ASL exclusively or primarily to access services and communicate. That's about the same number as Spanish speakers who report limited English proficiency. Just as we create access points and resources for Brooklyn's spoken language communities, we are trying to better serve and make a space for those who use American Sign Language. And we've found out something... learning ASL is fun!

For more information, contact learnasl@bklynlibrary.org

Autistic Adults NYC

Our mission is to serve the Autistic community of NYC and the Tri-state Area (New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut) through community building, education, and advocacy. We aim to be an Autistic-run organization, prioritizing representation in leadership and decision-making roles. Committed to inclusivity and accessibility, we focus on reaching underserved and economically disadvantaged members, offering accessible programs to create an inclusive space where all Autistic individuals can thrive.

Learn more at <https://www.autisticadultsnyc.org/>

Follow on Instagram @autisticadultsnyc

Contact by email: info@autisticadultsnyc.org

Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled, Inc. (BCID)

Brooklyn Center for Independence of the Disabled, Inc. (BCID) is a non-profit, grass roots organization operated by a majority of people with disabilities for people with disabilities since

1956. Based on a self-help model, our primary services include: disability rights advocacy; peer support; resource information and referral; housing advocacy; independent living skills consultation; government benefits information and advocacy; youth services; as well as information on the civil rights and responsibilities of people with disabilities.

Learn more at: <https://www.bcid.org/>

Follow on Facebook and Twitter/Instagram @BrooklynBCID

Brooklyn Conservatory of Music (BKCM)

The Brooklyn Conservatory of Music (BKCM) is home to New York City's largest music therapy program, serving children, teens, adults, and families at our Park Slope campus and at more than 55 partner sites across all five boroughs. Music therapy is an evidence-based health profession in which music is used within a therapeutic relationship to support physical, emotional, cognitive, and social goals. Guided by trained and credentialed music therapists and licensed creative arts therapists, participants engage in purposeful musical experiences that are responsive to their strengths, needs, and interests. Music therapy can provide meaningful avenues for communication and self-expression while fostering confidence and autonomy. Grounded in clinical practice, community engagement, and culturally responsive care, our program creates inclusive spaces for connection and growth through music.

Learn more at: bkcm.org/music-therapy

Follow on Instagram @bkcmusictherapy

Brooklyn Free Clinic

In partnership with SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, the Brooklyn Free Clinic provides free healthcare to the uninsured population of Brooklyn. Our volunteers are students and physicians from the SUNY Downstate College of Medicine, School of Health Professions, College of Nursing, and School of Public Health. Under the guidance of volunteer physicians and faculty advisors, our students provide care and health-maintenance screening to enrolled patients. We also provide access to a network of specialists who have volunteered to treat our patients at no cost. Students who volunteer at the clinic are highly motivated learners dedicated to community service. The support and generosity of the SUNY Downstate Medical Center gives us the means to provide free, high-quality services to our patients.

Learn more at: www.brooklynfreeclinic.org

Contact by email: info@brooklynfreeclinic.org

Brooklyn Hospital Center

Since 1845, The Brooklyn Hospital Center has been dedicated to providing outstanding health services, education and research to keep the people of Brooklyn and greater New York healthy. TBHC's focus is ensuring optimal patient care through the use of advanced technology,

innovative medical and surgical treatments, and staff expertise. Located in the heart of Downtown Brooklyn, TBHC is a clinical affiliate of The Mount Sinai Hospital and an academic affiliate of The Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. As Brooklyn's first hospital, TBHC is proud to be a part of an incredibly diverse community and is committed to Keeping Brooklyn Healthy.

Learn more at: www.tbh.org

Follow on Instagram and Twitter @official_tbhc and on Facebook @brooklynhospitalcenter

Center for the Independence of the Disabled (CIDNY)

The Center for Independence of the Disabled, New York (CIDNY) is a nonprofit organization and Independent Living Center that has served New Yorkers with disabilities since 1978. CIDNY helps people with disabilities of all ages achieve greater independence and participate fully in community life. Its services include benefits counseling, information and referrals, housing assistance, health-care access, peer support, independent living skills, employment services, educational workshops, and individual and systems advocacy. CIDNY works with residents across all five boroughs and advocates for accessible housing, transportation, health care, education, employment, voting, and other essential rights and services.

Learn more at: www.cidny.org

Follow on Instagram @cidnyinc and on Facebook @CIDNYInc

Contact by email: info@cidny.org; **by phone:** (212) 674-2300

Chinese American Planning Council (CPC)

CPC is a social services organization that creates social change. Building on our historic legacy and ongoing dedication to community. In Brooklyn, our services for families with special needs provides bilingual services to intellectual or developmental disabilities (I/DD) community members and their families. Services include ONA bilingual coordinator program, Family Support Reimbursement program and Weekend adult social Recreational respite program.

Learn more at: <https://www.cpc-nyc.org/>

Follow on Instagram @cpc_nyc and on Facebook @CPC.NYC

Dyslexia Alliance for Black Children (DABC)

Dyslexia Alliance for Black Children is dedicated to ensuring that Black children with dyslexia and other learning differences are understood, supported, and empowered to thrive. We help families navigate identification, advocacy, education, and access to appropriate support—while addressing the cultural and systemic barriers that can leave Black children overlooked or misunderstood. Through education, community connection, resources, and advocacy, we equip parents and caregivers with the knowledge and tools to champion their children. Our goal is

simple: every child deserves to be recognized for their strengths, receive the support they need, and have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Learn more at: www.dyslexiablack.org

Follow on Twitter/X & Facebook @DyslexiaBlack

Contact by email: inquiries@dyslexiablack.org

Epilepsy Foundation of Metropolitan New York (EFMNY)

Founded in January 1967, the Epilepsy Foundation of Metropolitan New York (EFMNY) mission of service is to provide epilepsy education, advocacy, and vital services/supports, not only to individuals and families affected by epilepsy but also to raise awareness within and beyond our community centered in the five boroughs of New York City and in Westchester County. Our programs include but are not limited to: individual and family counseling; seizure recognition and first aid trainings; vocational services and supports; and community education advocacy and referrals. The EFMNY partners closely with the top neurologists/epileptologists at all the main medical centers in our NYC area in which we are the leading epilepsy-related social service agency, having thoughtfully served hundreds of thousands of our deserving fellow citizens over the past seven decades.

Learn more at <http://efmny.org>

Extreme Kids & Crew (EKC)

Extreme Kids & Crew was created in Brooklyn and has since expanded its programming across the city, creating fun, brave spaces that foster a sense of belonging for neurodivergent youth. Our programs for young people, caregivers, and families nurture environments where neurodivergent children and their Crew can explore their unique ways of play. We believe in the power of community and meaningful play, embracing the strengths of neurodivergent youth and their families.

We facilitate a variety of programs, including video games, Dungeons & Dragons, anime, art, cooking, photography, a parent group called Powerful Parents, and monthly family gatherings at the Brooklyn Children's Museum. We also offer weekend in-person programs for teens in Manhattan, providing opportunities to connect with peers, explore interests, and engage in creative play. Our youth programs build a supportive community, allowing young people to explore special interests and develop social-emotional skills in an inclusive environment. Meanwhile, our family programs encourage neurodivergent youth, siblings, and parents to play, learn, and grow together in a judgment-free space.

Learn more at: www.extremekidsandcrew.org/

Follow on Instagram @extreme_kids_and_crew; and on Facebook @extremekidsandcrew

Contact by email at info@extremekidsandcrew.org.

INCLUDEnyc:

INCLUDEnyc's mission is to promote positive futures and enhance the quality of life for New York City children and youth with disabilities, ages birth through 26, and their families.

INCLUDEnyc empowers families of children and youth with disabilities with the knowledge, confidence, and skills to make informed decisions, effectively access and navigate systems and services, and advocate for themselves and other young people with disabilities and their families. INCLUDEnyc supports educators, youth workers, and other professionals to partner with families for successful, person-centered services, and to support and promote a family voice in the policy process.

Learn more at: <https://includenyc.org/>

Follow on Twitter/X, Instagram, Facebook, and YouTube @INCLUDEnyc

Contact by email: info@includenyc.org; **by phone:** (212) 677-4660; (212) 677-4668 for Spanish; **by text:** (646) 693-3175; (646) 693-3157 for Spanish

Kids Enjoy Exercise Now (KEEN) New York

KEEN New York (Kids Enjoy Exercise Now) provides free, inclusive sports, recreation, and enrichment programs for children and young adults with physical and developmental disabilities. With one-to-one support from trained volunteers, KEEN athletes participate in noncompetitive activities such as basketball, soccer, swimming, yoga, fitness, art, and more. Our flexible programs meet each athlete where they are, helping them build confidence, develop skills, stay active, and experience belonging. No family is ever charged to participate. We welcome athletes, families, volunteers, and community partners from across New York City.

Learn more at: keennewyork.org

Follow on Instagram: @keennewyork

Contact by email: info@keennewyork.org

Mercy Drive Inc.

Mercy Drive Inc. (MDI) is a 501 (3) (C) voluntary not-for-profit, human service agency. We provide services to individuals diagnosed with developmental disabilities. MDI is a multi-cultural agency that provides services in several languages taking into consideration the cultural diversity of New York City. MDI recognizes the need for family involvement in the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities, by participating in the planning of services, irrespective of language barriers, thereby honoring/preserving/promoting the individual's cultural background and diversity. We are committed to a personalized planning approach for each person and in doing so, have developed a suite of tools that are used by the staff. The choice of approach will be based on the skills, desires and communication methods of each person who receives our services.

Learn more at <https://mercydriveinc.org/>

Contact by email: Intake@mercydriveinc.org; **by phone:** (718) 275-9326

Music for Autism (MFA)

Music for Autism is enhancing quality of life and raising public awareness through autism-friendly, interactive, virtual, and in-person concerts developed specifically for individuals with autism and their families. The concerts feature professional musicians, including Tony Award winners, Grammy-winning classical artists, and Pulitzer Prize winners. To ensure equal access for all, every Music for Autism concert is fully subsidized. Families note that the concerts help fill a major psychosocial void, enabling them to enjoy enriching activities that are inclusive and to experience the joy and power of music as a family.

Learn more and sign up for concerts at: <https://www.musicforautism.org/concerts/>

Follow on Instagram @musicforautism; and on Facebook @MusicForAutism

Contact by email: Info@MusicForAutism.org

New Horizon Counseling Center (NHCC)

New Horizon Counseling Center (NHCC) is a nonprofit behavioral health organization serving communities across New York. With more than four decades of experience, NHCC provides comprehensive mental health, substance use, and supportive services for children, adolescents, adults, families, and individuals with developmental disabilities. Services include individual, group, and family therapy, psychiatric care, crisis support, and community-based programs. NHCC focuses on person-centered care and helping individuals improve their well-being, independence, and quality of life.

Learn more at: <https://nhcc.us/>

Follow on Instagram @newhorizoncounselingcenter

Contact by email: info@nhcc.us

NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) Bureau of Early Intervention

The Early Intervention Program helps young children (birth to 3 years) who are not learning, playing, growing, talking or walking like other children their age. The program works with your family to set meaningful goals for your child and create a service plan to help your child and your family meet those goals.

The earlier in life a child starts our program, the sooner they can learn the skills they need.

Learn more at: <https://www.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/health-topics/early-intervention.page>

NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) Healthy Homes Program

Join the NYC Department of Health Education Programs for free virtual webinars on environmental home health hazards. Webinars are available in English, Spanish, and Bengali.

After completing a webinar, a certificate will be provided. In addition, staff are available all year round for in-person and/or virtual workshops and or training for parents, clients, staff, and/or community residents. Staff are available to conduct environmental health hazards topics in English, Spanish, Bengali, Russian, and Urdu. To request a presentation, fill out this form: <https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/5805855/209c60a2bd2b>. Topics include: lead poisoning prevention & lead sources; what adults should know about lead poisoning; pregnancy & lead poisoning; cooking safely for your family; cleaning your home safely; indoor air quality in your home; mold and moisture; healthy homes overview; controlling pests safely: roaches & mice; window guards; safe gardening: how to reduce exposure to contaminated soil; work safety (for people who work with or around lead); fall prevention for older adults; toy safety tips; and mercury and skin lightening products.

Request a presentation at healthyhomesecp@health.nyc.gov.

Educational materials are available in 15 languages. You can make your request at:

<https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/doh/downloads/pdf/lead/material-order-form.pdf>

Contact by email: healthyhomesecp@health.nyc.gov; **by phone:** (646) 632-6023.

SNAP Support Services at NYC Department of Social Services/Human Resources

Administration (DSS/HRA)

The NYC Department of Social Services/Human Resources Administration (DSS/HRA) provides New Yorkers with access to essential benefits and services, including SNAP, Cash Assistance, Emergency Assistance, Child Support Services, HEAP, Fair Fares NYC, and other programs. New Yorkers can learn about available benefits, apply for and manage eligible benefits, upload documents, and access case information through ACCESS HRA.

Learn more at <https://www.nyc.gov/site/dss/index.page>

Parents to Improve School Transportation (PIST)

Parents to Improve School Transportation (PIST) advises families of students with and without disabilities on their rights to safe, reliable, and sustainable ways to commute. PIST also organizes alongside leaders in education, disability, environmental justice, and labor to develop long term solutions to systemic issues that interfere with getting every NYC student to school, on time, every day. PIST works with the Road to Better Busing Coalition and District 75 PTA Presidents' Council; supports the youth-led Expand Student OMNY campaign; and participates in the national Transit Equity network.

Today we have photos, resources, action flyers, and a free subscription to our monthly e-newsletter.

Learn more at: www.pistnyc.org

Follow on Facebook @PIST NYC, on Twitter/X @pistnyc, on Instagram @schoolbusparentsny

Contact by email: pistnyc@gmail.com; **by phone:** (631) 743-6296 (Hablamos español)

Seamen's Society for Children & Families

Seamen's Society for Children and Families has been serving the needs of children and families for 180 years. Seamen's Society staff work closely with foster parents to provide support and resources, including: an initial orientation, ongoing training, and a network of foster parents through the foster/adoptive parent association; a 24-hour network of professional support through our Case Workers and Health Services Department; and funds from the city of New York to foster families to cover basic living costs.

Contact us to learn more about making a difference!

Learn more at: <https://seamenssociety.org/>

Follow on Facebook & Instagram @SeamensSociety

Contact by email: fprecruitment@seamenssociety.org, **by phone:** (718) 313-1111 x2127

Metropolitan Parent Center (MPC) at Sinergia, Inc.

The Metropolitan Parent Center (MPC) at Sinergia provides information, training, technical assistance, and support to families of children and youth with disabilities throughout New York City's five boroughs. MPC helps families navigate special education, understand their rights, advocate effectively for their children, and access community resources and services. Through workshops, individualized support, parent leadership development, and advocacy training programs such as APPLE Academy, MPC empowers families to become informed and effective advocates for their children and communities.

Learn more at: www.sinergiany.org/metropolitan-parent-center

Follow on Facebook @SinergiaNY, on Instagram @sinergia_inc, and on Youtube @sinergiainc

Contact by email: mpc@sinergiany.org, **by phone:** 212-643-2840

Socialization to Enrich Participation & Support Sexuality (STEPS2)

CUNY School of Public Health is offering free personalized health education classes for young adults aged 16-27 with developmental disabilities as part of the [STEPS2 study](#). The classes are either about dating, sexual health and self-advocacy at the doctor or about healthy eating, exercise, and stress management. Classes meet on Zoom for one hour per week for six consecutive weeks. Participants can also earn \$100 for completing interview surveys.

Learn more at: <https://cunyisph.org/steps2-study/>

Contact by phone at: (914) 365-8959.

Tri-County Care

Tri-County Care is committed to providing quality-driven, culturally sensitive, conflict-free care management for individuals with a developmental disability in a timely and responsive manner.

If you are interested in learning more about our services or enrolling your loved one with Tri County Care, please reach out to our Intake Team.

Learn more at: www.tricountycare.org

Contact by email: Intake@tricountycare.org; **by phone:** (844)-504-8400 (Dial 2)

VNS Health: Safe Pathways

Safe Pathways is a grant funded program provided by VNS Health and funded by the New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH). This program is aimed primarily at Suicide Prevention. The Safe Pathways program was designed to decrease suicide rates of youth and young adults by providing education on Suicide Prevention & Awareness to both youth and adults as well as screen youth for suicide and provide support services to decrease the risk of suicide. This includes creating safety plans and providing warm-hand-offs to community-based providers to address their needs, such as behavioral health, mentorship, and more. All services provided by the program are free of charge.

Learn more at <https://www.vnshealth.org/>

Contact by email: Melinda.Wong@vnshealth.org; **or by phone:** (917) 451-0778

YAI: LINK

YAI was founded in 1957, and we are a leading organization offering high-quality services and resources for people with developmental disabilities and their families. Beyond New York State, YAI has expanded its footprint to California and New Jersey. While most of our services in New York State are under the auspice of the New York State Office for People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), we also have services through New York City agencies such as the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Administration for Children Services, and the Department of Education. YAI's LINK Department is the information and referral department at YAI. LINK provides information and/or referrals for YAI services.

Learn more at yai.org

Follow on Instagram @yainetwork; and on Facebook @yaihope

Contact by email at: link@yai.org **or by phone at:** (212) 273-6182