Improve the quality of life in NYC

The Trust and its donors are dedicated to making our city the best it can be. Join us by creating a fund in The New York Community Trust.

A GREEN HAVEN: Once dilapidated grounds, we’ve helped make Governors Island a green escape a short boat ride away. Photo by Ari Mintz for The Trust

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

We want to make sure that our communities have the tools they need to thrive. So, we’ve helped:

• Create, sustain, and advocate for local jobs.
• Neighborhoods plan and strategize for rezonings that will allow more new apartments to be built to relieve the city’s housing shortage.
• Press the city to strengthen rent protections and preserve existing affordable housing.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

Creating and maintaining green space improves health, wellness, and the quality of life. We’ve helped:

• Communities design open space that meets their needs, and plant pollinator gardens, green infrastructure, and trees.
• Enliven parks and plazas with community activities and public art.
• Recruit and organize teams to work in community gardens and maintain green spaces.

PREPARING COMMUNITIES: LESReady!, a Trust grantee, uses maps like this to help residents understand the impacts of climate change. Photo courtesy of NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program

ANIMAL LOVERS: Trust grantee GallopNYC gives retired race horses a second career providing therapeutic rides to children with disabilities.

ANIMAL WELFARE

Some donors felt that all New Yorkers should include our non-human neighbors and created funds to help animals. Because of their generosity, we’ve helped:

• Provide medical care to older horses that have been given second careers helping children with disabilities.
• Expand the capacity of organizations such as the Wild Bird Fund to better provide medical care to injured, migrating birds passing through New York.

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Create a charitable legacy that stands the test of time.

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Strengthening Nonprofits

New York State has the largest nonprofit sector in the nation. To ensure these groups can deliver on their missions, we’ve helped:

- Create a fellowship program with Baruch College that has provided training to more than 100 rising nonprofit leaders, some of whom have already become executive directors.
- Establish an awards program to identify excellent nonprofit management practices and share smart practices across the sector.

Amplifying Voices Across New York

A functioning democracy relies on robust media. To make sure local news is reported and underrepresented voices are heard, we’ve helped:

- City Limits publish in-depth stories about New York’s most pressing issues.
- CUNY journalists strengthen their investigative skills, and report on social and civic issues.
- New York Public Radio conduct local reporting and host community engagement events.

The New York Community Trust is a grantmaking foundation dedicated to improving the city and its suburbs. It connects individuals, families, foundations, and businesses with vital nonprofits working to make a healthy, equitable, and thriving community, today and tomorrow.

Become a donor—make a better New York.
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