



new settlement
building equitable futures



Our Story

Rooted in the Bronx, New Settlement stands with community members to break systemic barriers, advance justice, promote leadership and strengthen neighborhoods. By ensuring agency around education, employment, housing, wellness and creative expression, we help cultivate an equitable society where individuals and families have the power to use their voice to create the change they wish to see.

Since New Settlement's inception in 1989 as a settlement house rooted in the Bronx, our organization has been a responsive community partner. Originally established to revitalize abandoned buildings into affordable housing, New Settlement has since evolved into a multi-generational, forward-looking organization. We support all members of the community by providing programs (outlined below) in education, college access, youth development, arts, workforce development, wellness and more.

New Settlement's success in neighborhood revitalization and community building has been achieved through close collaboration with community members, educational institutions, housing and community development organizations, businesses, and youth development and social service agencies in the Mount Eden neighborhood and Bronx-wide.

Our Core Values

Building a Just and Equitable Future
Strengthening Communities

Cultivating Leadership & Opportunities
Supporting Community-Driven Change



Our Programs

After-School Programs

Built on the principles and best practices for social-emotional learning, New Settlement's after-school programs serve students through several primary academic and leadership areas, including arts, literacy, STEM, sports, health and more.

College Access Center

The College Access Center provides first-generation Bronx students—from 9th to 12th grade and well into college—with the guidance, resources and support they need to achieve college acceptance, complete their degrees, and succeed in careers.

Student Success Center

Embedded in the Taft Educational Campus, the Student Success Center trains and supports high school students as peer leaders to guide their classmates through the college admissions process and financial aid applications.

Young Adult Opportunity Initiative (YAOI)

YAOI provides out-of-school, out-of-work youth ages 17-24 of our community with the skills, training and emotional and vocational support they need to re-enter school and/or enter the workforce.

YouthBuild

New Settlement's YouthBuild Program is a U.S. Department of Labor-funded initiative that develops the employment skills of youth and young adults ages 16-24 by annually training and placing them in jobs within the construction trade industry.

Community Action for Safe Apartments (CASA)

CASA is a membership-driven tenant organizing project of New Settlement that protects and maintains affordable and safe housing in the Bronx through collective action.

Parent Action Committee (PAC)

PAC is a multicultural group of parents and community members dedicated to improving the quality of education for all children in New York City, with an emphasis on School District 9 and the Bronx.

New Settlement Community Center

Focusing on health and wellness of our neighbors, the community center features an indoor competition-size swimming pool, dance studio, green roof learning garden, cooking classroom and multipurpose spaces, and provides a safe space for all ages and abilities to participate in programs including dance, yoga, mixed martial arts, music, swimming and more.

Community Health Initiatives (CHI)

CHI takes a comprehensive approach to addressing food justice in the Bronx through initiatives including a community run market known as the 170 Farm Stand, a food pantry, nutritional workshops for kids and families, and youth leadership development.

Program for Girls and Young Women

The Program for Girls & Young Women promotes peer leadership, self-confidence, positive risk-taking, healthy decision making and community engagement through a range of activities in a safe and supportive setting.

Play Park & Tot Lot

Two year-round outdoor greenspaces—a playground for school-aged youth and families, and a Tot lot for pre-schoolers—ensure that our neighbors have clean, healthy outdoor spaces to play, socialize and attend community events.

Young Men Establishing the Narrative (YMEN)

YMEN supports young men of color ages 14-20 living in the Bronx. YMEN combines sports and wellness activities, participant-led community service projects, college readiness workshops, social justice-themed artistic programming, and guest speakers.

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