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**Come Plant Your Seed
And Watch It Blossom**



NYHRE

MISSION STATEMENT

New York Harm Reduction Educators (NYHRE) is devoted to promoting the health, safety and well-being of marginalized, low-income persons who use drugs, their loved ones and their communities. NYHRE recognizes the historical, structural, socio-economic and environmental inequalities that foster adverse outcomes among drug users, particularly those from communities of color. Vigorously advocating for social justice, we strive to redress these disparities by providing vital resources, tools and support that enhance quality of life and facilitate the prevention of diseases disproportionately affecting persons who use drugs, including HIV and viral hepatitis. To this end, we deliver integrated health and social services that promote physical, psychological, social and spiritual wellness. Utilizing a grass roots approach, we prioritize peer involvement in all aspects of our programming.

**PEER VOLUNTEER
PROGRAMS**

NEW YORK
HARM REDUCTION EDUCATORS



*Reducing Harm
Can Save Lives*

**If you are interested Call
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Volunteer Registration / Orientation & Group:

Every other Thursday there is an Orientation and Registration Session held from 10-11am.

Goals: To educate and train interested participants in the various components of NYHRE :

- Participants have an opportunity to express their altruism by giving something back to the program that has helped them, and to make good use of their time and energy.
- Participants may receive pre-vocational training which may lead to employment in the human service arena in some capacity, either at NYHRE or in another organization.
- Participants can have a structured lifestyle, a safe place to belong, and constructive ways to use their time, energy and knowledge.
- Anyone may join NYHRE's Volunteer program. Come plant your seed and let's watch it blossom.

VOLUNTEER DUTIES:

- *Syringe Exchange Programs (SEP)*
- *Outreach / Outreach Education*
- *Clerical*
- *Information Desk / Receptionist*
- *Office Floater*
- *Client Escort*

What is Expected of a volunteer?

- Volunteers are expected to conduct themselves with professionalism, integrity and respect.
- Settle any disputes in a responsible manner.
- Refrain from stealing, buying or selling stolen goods, participating in illegal activities while volunteering for NYHRE.
- Uphold the laws of confidentiality, by keeping any information learned about staff and other volunteers, or participants confidential.
- Follow all directives of any staff member. When in doubt about any directive, speak with the Volunteer Director.
- Avoid any behavior such as sexual harassment or creating a hostile work environment.

GALLERY TO GALLERIES

This group is held every Friday at the 121 Street & Lexington, from 2-5pm.

This group provides a light snack and 2 metro cards for travel expenses. If you attended a group on any site and received a metro card you will only be given 1 metro card.

This group has a limit of seven participants. Sign up begins at 1:45pm. If there are more than seven participants, there will be a lottery drawing held.

Gallery to Galleries gives participants a chance to learn to navigate public transportation, develop socializing skills and explore different State of the Art locations to visit. Additionally, it offers an opportunity to develop relationships in effort to reduce harm.