COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

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Neighbors Bulletin



CUFO employees delivering meals to seniors at Manhattanville Community Center. Photo Credit: Eileen Barroso

CommunityUpdates GIVING BACK TO THE COMMUNITY

This holiday season, Columbia is supporting our Neighbors by giving back to our community. With the COVID-19 pandemic driving massive increases in food insecurity in New York City, the University has supported the West Side Campaign Against Hunger's annual Turkey Challenge and joined forces with Hot Bread Kitchen to deliver prepared Thanksgiving meals to seniors. There are also several ways our Neighbors can join in to give back.

The annual Columbia Community Service Toy Drive is different this year. A number of grantees are collecting physical toys or monetary donations to help ensure that children in Morningside Heights, Harlem, and around NYC are able to have gifts this holiday season. Check out the full list of ways you can help provide toys at neighbors.columbia.edu/toydrive.

If you're able, you can also support local organizations by volunteering your time. Many CCS grantees are seeking volunteers to provide administrative support, help with programming, help preparing and serving food, and more. Find all the opportunities at neighbors.columbia.edu/volunteerdec2020.

NEW COLUMBIA COMMUNITY SERVICE ANNUAL APPEAL



In November, Columbia Community Service (CCS) launched its 74th Annual Appeal. This year's campaign is focused on supporting food security, health, and education organizations in Harlem and Morningside Heights. Building on the success of the Neighbors Food Relief Fund this summer, CCS hopes to raise \$250,000 by December 31.

Those funds will allow us to continue supporting the organizations providing critical services during the COVID-19 pandemic, and helping them meet new challenges such as the increased demand for food relief and providing support for distance learning. It is of the utmost importance to us to provide that support to our Neighbors at this critical time.

Learn more about the work of CCS at communityservice.columbia.edu

CommunityEvents

Check with event organizers for latest updates as details may change. More details can be found at neighbors.columbia.edu/events



BioBus Student Town Hall: Racism and Disease

Dec 3 4PM The final Racism and Society Town Hall

featuring Dr. JaBaris Swain and psychiatrist and Dr. Gaby Ritfeld. neighbors.columbia.edu/racismdisease



Uptown 2020 Triennial Town Hall: Building for the Future Dec 4 10AM Artists, activists, entrepreneurs, and

community leaders discuss what is needed in Harlem.

neighbors.columbia.edu/uptownhall



Mildred L. Johnson and the Harlem School She Built Dec 8 5PM

Hear oral history presentations about the

progressive, affirming, Black independent school Mildred L. Johnson built in Sugar Hill. neighbors.columbia.edu/mildredschool



Looking for Langston: A Film Screening Celebrating Queer Harlem Dec 9, 2PM As part of the Harlem

Renaissance 100, The Forum will host a screening of Isaac Julien's 1989 film, followed by a roundtable discussion. neighbors.columbia.edu/langston



2020: The Year of COVID-19 Featuring Anthony S. Fauci, MD Dec 10 11:30AM A discussion on COVID-19 highlighting

the shortcomings of a health system that fails to protect communities of color and the vulnerable. neighbors.columbia.edu/yearofcovid



The Parallels between Art, Design, Culture + Tech Dec 10 6PM

Bundles Scholar Michele Washington will discuss BIPOC creatives and the ways

they work outside traditional boundaries of creative practices. neighbors.columbia.edu/artdesign