COOLING ASSISTANCE RESOURCES

Get Ready for a Long, Hot, and Potentially Deadly Summer



BLACK NEW YORKERS ARE AT A GREATER RISK

Extreme heat is the deadliest impact of climate change, but no one feels the heat as much as communities of color – particularly Black New Yorkers. According to City data, 50 percent of the heat-related deaths in New York City are among Black/African American people, even though they make up only 25 percent of the city's population. And the Heat Vulnerability Index map shows a strong correlation between heat vulnerable communities and communities of color and low-income.

WE ACT for Environmental Justice has been working to reduce the greenhouse gas emissions that fuel climate change as well as to help communities adapt to the adverse health impacts of the climate crisis – such as extreme heat. That is why we wanted to share these cooling assistance resources with you.



U.S. Center for Disease Control & Prevention's HeatRisk Forecast

Scan this QR code and enter your zip code to get the HeatRisk for your community this week along with actions you can take to keep you and your family safe.

COOLING ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS



New York City's Air Conditioner Assistance

Scan this QR code to see if you are eligible for up to \$800 for a window, portable air conditioner, or fan and up to \$1,000 for an existing wall sleeve air conditioner.



New York State's Air Conditioner Assistance

Scan this QR code to see if you are eligible for a free air conditioner under New York State's Essential Plan Cooling Program.



New York State's LIHEAP Cooling Assistance

Scan this QR code to see if you are eligible for LIHEAP, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which can help provide financial assistance to cool your home.



New York City's Cooling Centers

Scan this QR code to find the nearest cooling center in New York City during heatwaves.

