

Association for a Better New York 2025 Annual Report

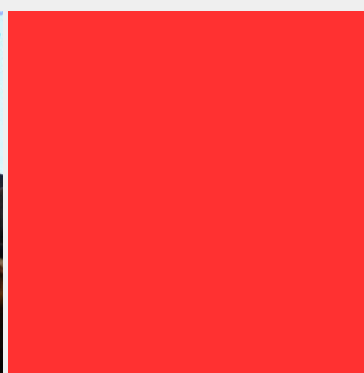
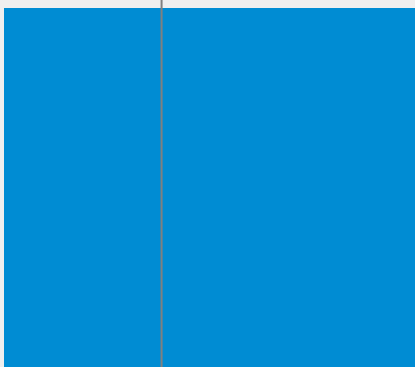


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ABNY Members

ABNY unites a broad coalition of more than 250 corporate, nonprofit, and labor leaders to strengthen the civic fabric of New York City. ABNY focuses on driving bold, innovative solutions to the city's most urgent challenges by growing and connecting the civic community, leading cross-sector convenings, coalition-building around key policies, cultivating the next generation of civic talent, and celebrating New York City.

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Power Breakfasts

In 2025, ABNY hosted three signature Power Breakfast attended by hundreds of civic leaders. Each gathering provided an opportunity for ABNY members to hear directly from government leaders about key projects and policies - from public safety to the redevelopment of Penn Station - that aim to move New York forward.

2/26 - ABNY Power Breakfast with Police Commissioner Jessica S. Tisch



5/20 - ABNY Power Breakfast with New York State Attorney General Letitia James



11/20 - ABNY Power Breakfast with Amtrak Special Advisor Andy Byford



2025 Mayoral Candidates Series

In 2025, ABNY hosted each of the three leading mayoral candidates for closed-door conversations with the ABNY Steering Committee and largescale convenings with ABNY members and New York’s civic community to provide a platform to hear their vision for the future of New York City.

10/9 - Zohran Mamdani, Democratic Nominee



10/15 - Curtis Sliwa, Republican Nominee



10/21 - Andrew Cuomo, Independent Nominee



ABNY Talks

In 2025, ABNY hosted four ABNY Talks policy panels, convening experts from government, nonprofit, advocacy, and industry sectors to discuss key policy developments, foster meaningful cross-sector dialogue, build community, and elevate potential solutions.

ABNY Talks: Improving Childcare for NYC's Economy



ABNY Talks: Pulse of the NYC Primary

 <p><i>Moderator</i> Emma Pfohman Chief Executive Officer ABNY</p>	 <p>Christina Greer Associate Professor of Political Science, Fordham University</p>	 <p>Ben Max Program Director, New York Law School's Center for New York City Law</p>	 <p>Teresa Gonzalez Partner, Bolton St. Johns Co-Chair, New Majority NYC</p>	 <p>Kate Doran Election Specialist, League of Women Voters of the City of New York</p>
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ABNY Talks: 2025 Charter Revision Commission



ABNY Talks: Making NYC Family Friendly Reaching Universal After School



ABNY Member Exclusive Events

In 2025, ABNY launched several new types of events and convenings offered exclusively for ABNY members. The new formats included a film screening of *Drop Dead City*, a 2025 Mayoral Candidate Debate Watch Party, and a forum with candidates vying to be New York City Council Speaker.

8/19 - ABNY Screening: *Drop Dead City*



10/22 - ABNY Screening: 2025 NYC Mayoral Debate



11/17 - ABNY Talks: City Council Speaker Forum

Young Professionals

ABNY Young Professionals (YP) seeks to cultivate the next generation of civic-minded New York City leaders by providing professional networking, education, and civic engagement opportunities. In 2025, ABNY hosted 26 YP events, including tours, policy panels, volunteer opportunities, among others.

To date, ABNY engages 4,000 Young Professionals, including 300 YP Associates who have priority access to events and other exclusive offerings. Learn more about [YP Associates](#).

Boardroom Breakfast with Scott Millstein, iMentor



YP Tours: New York Transit Museum



What's on Tap? with Commissioner Dynishal Gross, Department of Small Business Services



Policy Brief with Vennela Yadhati, New York Power Authority



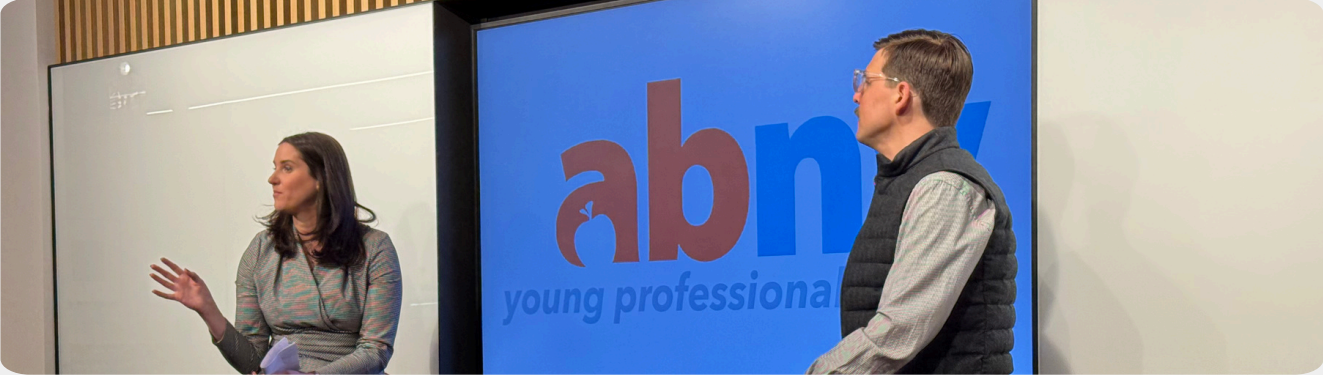
YP Volunteers: God's Love We Deliver



YP Tours: New York City Department of Transportation Maspeth Sign Shop



Boardroom Breakfast with Hannah Frey, IBM



Policy Brief with Paul Ryan, Campaign Finance Board



Boardroom Breakfast with Jamie Torres-Springer, MTA



YP Tour: 9/11 Memorial and Museum



YP Tour: Rat Walk with Kathleen Corradi, Director of Rodent Mitigation



YP Volunteers: AIDS Walk



YP Tours: ConEdison East River Generating Plant



What's on Tap? with Chancellor Félix Matos Rodríguez, CUNY



YP Tours: Davis Center at Central Park



YP Tours: Governors Island



YP Associates Summer Meet Up



YP Volunteers: Fort Tryon Park



What's on Tap? with Commissioner Louis Molina, Dept. of Citywide Administrative Services



Boardroom Breakfast with Bruce Revman, FIFA World Cup NY/NJ Host Committee



YP Tours: Lincoln Center



YP Volunteers: New York City Marathon



What's on Tap? with Rohit Aggarwala, Department of Environmental Protection



2025 Young Professionals Associates Holiday Toast



YP Volunteers: GOSO



ABNY Women

Led by Chair Samantha Rudin, ABNY Women continues to serve as a vibrant platform for leadership, connection, and community for leaders across the civic spectrum. In 2025, ABNY Women hosted four events for the ABNY Women network to connect, engage, and learn from influential women leaders. To date, the ABNY Women network supports more than 1,200 members, including more than 100 members of the ABNY Women Leaders. Learn more about [ABNY Women Leaders](#).

1/24 - State Legislative Panel



3/25 - Women's History Month Cocktail Reception



5/6 - ABNY Women Leaders' Luncheon with Keia Clarke, New York Liberty



6/17 - ABNY Women Leaders' Outing: New York Liberty Game



ABNY Foundation

The ABNY Foundation was created in 1987 to provide funds for social, educational, and civic initiatives that enhance the quality of life in the five boroughs of New York City.

In 2025, the ABNY Foundation awarded \$125,000 to 20 organizations leading meaningful and impactful programming in our priority areas of workforce development, safe communities, and small business support. Learn more about the [ABNY Foundation's grantmaking](#).

- **A Chance in Life**
- **Andromeda Community Initiative**
- **The Acceleration Project**
- **Bangladeshi American Community Development and Youth Services (BACDYS)**
- **Bike New York**
- **Bridge Street Development Corporation**
- **Design Trust for Public Space**
- **The Eagle Academy Foundation**
- **Educational Video Center, Inc.**
- **Emma's Torch**
- **Futures Ignite**
- **Getting Out and Staying Out (GOSO)**
- **Grace Institute of New York**
- **Hook Arts Media**
- **New Women New York**
- **Qualitas of Life Foundation**
- **South Bronx United**
- **Street Lab**
- **Welcome to Chinatown**
- **NYC Service**

19th Annual Spirit of ABNY



September 16, 2025 at the Rainbow Room

The ABNY Foundation created the Spirit of ABNY Award in 2007 to honor select New Yorkers who have provided a distinguished level of service to our great city.

In 2025, we honored three civic leaders for their contributions and service to New York City:

Low Rudin Founders Award: Jessica Tisch, New York City Police Commissioner

Spirit of ABNY Award: Maria Torres-Springer, former First Deputy Mayor

David N. Dinkins Lifetime Achievement Award: Kathy Wylde, President & CEO of the Partnership for New York City

ABNY Board

- **Steven Rubenstein**, RUBENSTEIN
- **Frances Resheske**
- **Alan Van Capelle**, Friends of the High Line
- **Michelle Adams**, Tishman Speyer
- **Vincent Alvarez**
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- **William Floyd**, J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.
- **Jen Hensley**, ConEdison
- **Robert Lehrman**, Lodestone Banking Consultancy
- **Dr. Félix V. Matos Rodríguez**, The City University of New York (CUNY)
- **Julio Peterson**, The Shubert Organization
- **William C. Rudin**, Rudin
- **Jeffrey Stewart**, Walnut Hill Advisors
- **Jeff Wilpon**, Sterling Equities

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- **Jennifer Raab**
- **William C. Rudin**, Rudin
- **Veronica Sullivan**, NBCUniversal
- **Jill Sung**, Abacus Federal Savings Bank
- **Travis H. Terry**, Immortal Strategies
- **Matthew S. Washington**, Phipps Houses

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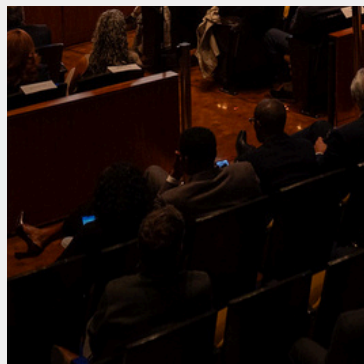
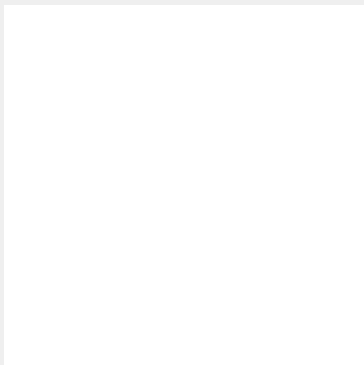
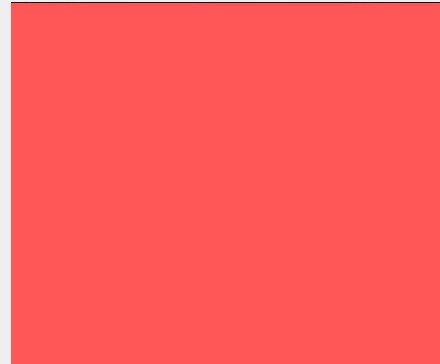
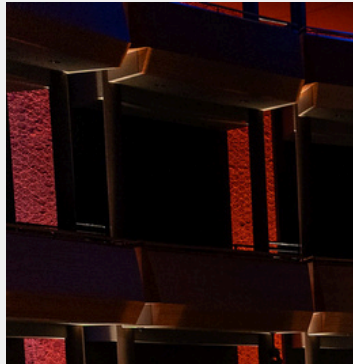
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