

## 5. Will you use the Diocese of Brooklyn and the Archdiocese of New York's properties throughout the City of New York as local testing and vaccination sites?

### KATHRYN A. GARCIA (D)

"We should open up additional sites and establish a massive mobile operation for our hardest-hit communities, and we should prioritize sites that are already established and trusted within their communities. That means partnering with — but not imposing upon — organizations throughout the city to ensure we are vaccinating as many New Yorkers as possible."

### RAYMOND J. MCGUIRE (D)

"My administration will increase vaccine distribution sites, in partnership with the Diocese of Brooklyn and other religious institutions, to protect the hardest-to-reach New Yorkers."

### MAYA D. WILEY (D)

"Churches are a crucial part of the city's social infrastructure and have strong existing relationships with their communities. They can serve as testing and vaccination sites, emergency food pantries, and learning centers."

## 6. Will you provide grants to assist landmarked houses of worship of all faiths to help pay for mandated repairs?

### ERIC L. ADAMS (D)

"Religious institutions would have to demonstrate hardship and a clear benefit to the community to receive city dollars for mandated repairs."

### KATHRYN A. GARCIA (D)

"There are too many landmarks and properties subject to Local Law 11 for the city to commit to grants covering mandated repairs. I am willing to look into this issue further, but the matter requires further research to determine a final cost."

### RAYMOND J. MCGUIRE (D)

"I will explore grant programs to help landmarked houses of worship of all faiths fix repairs."

### MAYA D. WILEY (D)

"Houses of worship are a crucial resource for accessing community programs, faith-based initiatives, housing support, and food assistance in our city and must be continually invested in. As mayor, I will help churches and faith-based organizations work through the red tape and bureaucracy of City Hall to help them access funding for development projects, community initiatives, and more."

## 7. Do you support easing the burden of unfunded government mandates on faith-based organizations?

### KATHRYN A. GARCIA (D)

"We need to ensure that we are supporting our city's religious and cultural organizations, rather than creating additional obstacles. My priority will be to help small businesses fix any compliance issues, rather than to impose punitive measures."

### RAYMOND J. MCGUIRE (D)

"I will work with faith-based organizations to help them access funding and reduce financial burdens."

### MAYA D. WILEY (D)

"As mayor, I will continue to support all faith-based organizations as they continue to serve, support, and protect our vibrant communities."

## 8. Will you ensure that City agencies cover the actual cost to nonprofits to provide City services to all New Yorkers?

### KATHRYN A. GARCIA (D)

"We must reform the way our city does business with the nonprofit sector to pay our service providers on time and include an indirect rate to support infrastructure upgrades and innovation. The service providers on the front lines need funding to support a growing care economy workforce that must have livable wages. Investing in our nonprofits is an investment in our future stability, and we need to use every funding lever — city, state, and federal — to ensure the critical programs operated by nonprofits continue to serve our communities. We should also bolster nonprofits by offering technical support in navigating complex funding processes and identifying opportunities."

### RAYMOND J. MCGUIRE (D)

"My administration will fully fund services from nonprofits that have a track record of success and are best equipped to target underserved neighborhoods. I will also ensure that contracts are streamlined to avoid delays and unnecessary bureaucracy."

### MAYA D. WILEY (D)

"We must do more to support the non-profits and their staff members, majority women and people of color, who serve New York's most vulnerable communities. As Mayor I commit to running a full audit of the oversight and management structures of social service contracts, to identify inefficiencies and make necessary adjustments to ensure that funding for nonprofits is maintained and expanded. Of course, awarding contracts is not enough if the nonprofits that are awarded them never get paid. The city has an obligation to pay its providers in a reasonable time frame and as mayor, I will overhaul our procurement and payment practices to ensure just that."

## 9. Will you expand resources to serve immigrants legally in this country as well as the undocumented?

### ERIC L. ADAMS (D)

"Protecting, defending, and investing in immigrant communities is what I have done as a public servant and will continue to do as mayor. I will boost funding for NYC Cares for more outreach to immigrant communities, to enroll them in the city's health plans for which immigrants are already eligible. Additionally, I will ensure all city services are provided in multiple languages and translation services are made more available."

### KATHRYN A. GARCIA (D)

"We must meet the basic needs of all New Yorkers, regardless of immigration status. New Yorkers in nonstandard work arrangements, such as gig workers and undocumented workers, deserve quality, accessible healthcare, and I will support and expand the services that New York City's public healthcare system — NYC Health + Hospitals corporation — provides to all New Yorkers, regardless of income or employment status. As many social programs, such as SNAP, are not accessible for those who are undocumented, I would support emergency cash assistance funding programs for undocumented people. I would also expand the right to counsel protections and access, and fund additional pro bono legal services to combat labor exploitation, available to anyone regardless of immigration status. Lastly, as mayor, I would use the office to advocate for TPS expansions on the federal level."

### FERNANDO MATEO (R)

"I will expand resources to only legal immigrants living in NYC."

### RAYMOND J. MCGUIRE (D)

"I will make sure our city's immigrant and undocumented families have access to adequate legal and social services by partnering with local CBOs that are the eyes and ears to immigrant populations and ensure outreach is done with cultural competency and language access."

### MAYA D. WILEY (D)

"I will increase Action NYC's budget to provide more funding to community-based nonprofits that offer legal services to immigrants, ending the logjam and providing immigrant New Yorkers the support and representation they deserve. In addition, I support the NY Immigrant Family Unity Project, a ground-breaking program that protects the basic right to representation. It is a morally important program because it helps keep families together, a core value we all share. It also is important because immigrants contribute to the tax base. It is a highly successful program that keeps our residents here, our families together and helps us retain the \$2.7 million in tax revenue we desperately need. I will ensure that these services are available to undocumented immigrants, who often face barriers to accessing legal support services when they are most in need."