## Welcome to the Mutual Aid CUNY network!

Right now, solidarity and community are more important than ever. Mutual aid is a powerful way to build connections and support each other -- we each have something to offer, and we each have something others need. We are not alone. And we keep us safe.

This resource is created by **Free CUNY**, a movement of students and workers from across CUNY campuses fighting for a free and fully-funded, anti-racist, decolonial CUNY system. Read more about our demands here.

CUNY has failed in its response to COVID-19. The conflicting, vague, and alarmist information coming through what few channels of communication CUNY has set up for students, faculty, and staff has caused more harm than good. This has only exacerbated other problems from students at risk of having their visas revoked or navigating precarious housing situations made worse during this pandemic.

## Don't Panic. Organize!

It's up to us and our fellow radical + anti-racist groups on CUNY campuses to build a mutual aid network. The state and charities will not save us in times of crisis. Groups like Corona Couriers, NYC Mutual Aid Network, Bronx Mutual Aid Network, and others, have all begun building infrastructure for mutual aid efforts and provided us with inspiration and direction in building this resource. While it is important to start building this network in response to COVID-19, we will need it in the future to support each other and strengthen our movements!

We are building a CUNY mutual aid network from the ground up. Here's what we have so far:

- 1. Mutual Aid CUNY Offerings google form: The info you provide will be directly uploaded into a <u>public non-editable "offerings" spreadsheet</u> that others can view and reach out directly to you for support. If you have a need that appears on this sheet, please reach out to the person listed. If you appear on the sheet and need to be edited, email us at <a href="mailto:freecuny2.0@gmail.com">freecuny2.0@gmail.com</a> to cross out your name so you won't be receiving any more asks.
- 2. Needs Survey: We are opening up the offerings form shortly, since we were able to meet the previous flood of requests! Please use this Resources Guide to find other mutual aid network nearby. If there is anything you need that is not found on the above offerings spreadsheet, you can submit other needs you have via the survey here! There is no unreasonable ask, and no one will ever be shamed for asking for what they need (that's why we're making this resource, in fact!).

One last note: Many of these resources are editable, and we ask that you don't share any racist, offensive, ableist, or otherwise violent material to any resource.