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YWCA of Queens to Hold IDNYC Information Session in Korean

FLUSHING, New York (March 10, 2015) – The YWCA of Queens will be hosting a New York City Identification Program (IDNYC) information session in Korean on Saturday, March 21st at 11am in partnership with the IDNYC department and the MinKwon Center. The purpose of the event is to bring knowledge of the new ID program to the hard-to-reach local immigrant Korean community.

The information session will be held on-site at the YWCA of Queens and will be conducted in Korean as part of the YWCA's mission to provide its community with materials that are culturally and linguistically competent. **Executive Director Helen Kim said, "Here at the YWCA, we support immigrant communities by acting as a resource for information and hosting these events as part of our community outreach. Many people in these communities are not even aware of the programs that benefit them the most. We assist them in their integration by addressing problems such as language barriers."**

The event will explain the benefits of the new program and help people in the application process, which includes scheduling an appointment at an enrollment center and providing documents that prove their identity and residency. The YWCA of Queens plans to have laptops during the event so that participants can schedule their appointments on-site. **Director of Education & Career Services Kenrick Ross said, "IDNYC provides millions of New Yorkers with access and opportunities that they may otherwise not have. We are delighted to host this event, which draws on the cultural competency and community trust the YWCA of Queens is known for, and to provide information and resources to strengthen our members and neighbors."**

The IDNYC is a free government-issued photo identification card for all NYC residents, including the most vulnerable communities such as the homeless, the youth, the elderly, and undocumented immigrants. For the YWCA of Queens, this means that connecting community members with things such as employment will become easier with a valid ID.

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About YWCA of Queens

The YWCA of Queens, founded in 1978, is a multi-tiered community organization with a wide range of education, career services, home health, and social services programs located at the center of one of the most diverse communities in the country. The YWCA of Queens' mission is to eliminate racism and empower women through education and advocacy. Visit www.ywcaqueens.org for more information.

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