



## Her Justice in the Community

To reduce barriers to access to justice and ensure that women living in poverty in New York City receive accurate, reliable information about their legal rights and the remedies available to them, Her Justice has developed a three-pronged strategy for targeted, culturally sensitive community outreach to underserved women throughout the City.

Our outreach strategies ensure that poor women in New York City are knowledgeable about their legal rights and the remedies available to them so that they can obtain economic security for themselves and their children. By enhancing the capacity of community-based organizations, Her Justice further leverages its small staff, providing increased access to justice for women living in poverty in New York City.

### Capacity-Building Trainings

To build the capacity of small, not-for-profit agencies serving insular, ethnic communities, we **train staff at community-based organizations** to combat misinformation and understand their clients' legal rights under family, matrimonial and immigration law. These organizations also learn about civil legal remedies available to victims of gender-based violence, enabling them to reach those in greatest need of our help. The comprehensive trainings we provide give community advocates the resources to better inform, and advocate effectively on behalf of their clients. They also facilitate knowledgeable referrals to Her Justice for clients who would benefit from legal representation.

### Legal Clinics

Her Justice provides individualized, **direct legal services** at clinics hosted by community-based partners, including advice, brief services and representation, so that clients obtain the legal relief to which they are entitled and achieve stability for their families. We also conduct emergency preparedness clinics for immigrants at imminent risk of deportation and separation from their children.

### Know-Your-Rights Presentations

Through know-your-rights presentations, Her Justice ensures that immigrant women and survivors of intimate partner violence in New York City are informed about their **legal rights and civil legal remedies**, such as how to obtain an order of protection against their abuser, custody of their children or child support in the Family Court. Women also learn about the legal relief available to normalize their immigration status and the life-saving services, including medical care, police assistance and legal remedies in civil courts, that undocumented immigrants are often unaware they can access.