

New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies to Hold Business Meetings in the Bronx and Rochester

*Commission to convene at two locations
May 15*

ALBANY, NY, UNITED STATES, May 11, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The New York State Community Commission on Reparations Remedies (NYSCCRR) will hold public business meetings on Friday, May 15, 2026, at two locations: Walker Memorial Baptist Church in the Bronx and Lake Riley Lodge at Cobb's Hill Park in Rochester.

The business meetings are open to the public, and community members are welcome to attend and observe the proceedings. The agenda will include updates on the Commission's ongoing work, communications strategy, community outreach efforts, and next steps in advancing reparative justice across New York State. Following the formal meeting, commissioners will be available for questions and conversation.

EVENT DETAILS

Who: Open to the public

What: NYSCCRR Business Meeting — featuring updates on the Commission's ongoing work and next steps to advance reparative justice across New York State



When: May 15, 2026 | 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Where: Walker Memorial Baptist Church

120 E 169th Street

Bronx, NY 10452

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Lake Riley Lodge at Cobb's Hill Park

100 Norris Drive

Rochester, NY 14610

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The primary focus of business meetings is to address the internal business of the commission, including internal discussions, decision-making, planning by the commissioners and voting on resolutions as necessary. A quorum of at least five commissioners must be present to hold any votes.

These meetings are open to the public; however, because they are devoted primarily to commission business, the time for receiving public comment may be limited to a short period at the end of the meeting. Business meetings will be live-streamed, and video recordings will be available on the commission's website for later viewing.

The NYSCCRR continues its statewide work studying the economic, social and political impacts of slavery and systemic racism in New York State. Additional public hearings and business meetings are scheduled through spring 2026.

HOW TO FOLLOW THE COMMISSION'S WORK

Community members can learn more details at www.ny.gov/reparations. While these specific business meetings are centered on internal operations, those wishing to provide formal input may submit written or audio testimony via email to ReparationsCommission@reparations.ny.gov or leave a voicemail by calling 518-473-3997.

To learn more about the Commission, access past hearing materials, or follow NYSCCRR updates, [visit ny.gov/reparations](http://ny.gov/reparations)

ABOUT THE COMMISSION

The NYSCCRR was established by Senate Bill S1163A, introduced by Senator James Sanders, Jr. and Assemblywoman Michaelle Solages, and signed into law by Governor Kathy Hochul in 2023. The Commission's mandate is to study the economic, social, and political impacts of slavery and systemic racism in New York State and produce an evidence-based report of reparations recommendations to the governor and state legislature.

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