BOLD. GRAND. INSPIRED.

We’re On A Mission To Bring New Yorkers Together To Build The Communities We Need.
Who We Are

A settlement house built by New Yorkers, for New Yorkers in 1916.

**BOLD**

Neighbors helping neighbors is the key to change. We know it’s a bold statement because it means everyone shares ownership of the changes that we want to see in our lives, families and communities - and because it ultimately holds us all accountable to one another.

**GRAND**

After a century of service in NYC, our community is like family: it includes generations and ages, celebrates vibrant cultures and traditions, and spans neighborhoods and continents. And we think our community is stronger and closer for it.

**INSPIRED**

100 years of staying power in NYC means two things: what we do still inspires us and what we do still inspires you. We’ve been preparing for exciting changes and big announcements and can’t wait to reintroduce our settlement house model to the world.

With the help of tens of thousands of generous supporters, we provide more than 30 neighborhood locations in both Brooklyn and the Lower East Side with vital programs and services for all ages. That means 7,400 New Yorkers have access to opportunities that inspire, services that keep families strong, and programs that bring communities closer. And we’re just getting started.
What We Do

We give New Yorkers access to opportunities that inspire, services that keep families strong, and programs that bring communities closer.

**EMPOWER**

We are strong when we claim power, but strongest when we help one another gain our own. The first step to being your best self is helping others get there, too.

**SUPPORT**

Before dreams can grow big, they need a place to take root. Together, we create a community that knows what it needs - and how to make it happen.

**ADVOCATE**

All it takes is one voice, whether it’s just one person speaking up or many people speaking out together.
Our History

PAST

In 1916, a small circle of young people opened the doors of Grand St. Settlement, inviting New Yorkers to join together to create a community that addressed the neighborhood’s most critical issues.

In the hundred years that have followed, we have led charges for bold change and incorporated many of the city’s historic moments and the nation’s far-reaching movements into Grand St. Settlement’s story.

PRESENT

A century later, we are still bringing neighbors together and jump-starting change. We’ve grown to provide dozens of programs and services at more than thirty locations on both sides of the Williamsburg Bridge. Today, we serve over 7,400 New Yorkers of all ages in Manhattan and Brooklyn.

This year marks our centennial, a singular moment perfect for celebrating what community can do together and launching our vision for the future.

FUTURE

The staying power and resonance of the settlement house model lies in its heart: neighbors helping neighbors build the community they want and need. Our grassroots traditions bring together the tremendous heart and creativity of dedicated community builders, mentors, and advocates needed to experiment with new ideas and drive innovation. We can’t wait to reintroduce our settlement house model to the world.
Our Impact

Though we were born in the Lower East Side, today we serve thousands of New Yorkers on both sides of the Williamsburg Bridge.

COMMUNITY CENTERS

Known for drop-in programming and public access, our Community Centers are hubs of activity.

CHILD & FAMILY CENTERS

Early Childhood Care and Education programs host classrooms as well as parent and family services.

PARTNER SCHOOLS

Dozens of NYC schools partner with us for enrichment, afterschool and summer camp programming.
116 children graduated to kindergarten in 2015

90% of all 4-year-olds met or exceeded development goals for their age

2x as many special needs children from our programs are now in general education classrooms as compared to the national average
YOUTH

3,000 hours of hands-on learning were provided in 2015

87% of youth increased their STEM skills through our summer day camp

89% retention of youth workers from the academic year to summer day camp
178 households received legal and tax services in 2015

$339,420 in cash benefits were provided, such as food and tax credits

$1,229,155 in non-cash benefits were provided, such as housing and insurance
39,060 breakfasts and lunches were served in 2015

780 exercise classes were offered, including Zumba and Tai chi

$97,429 in benefits were provided, including food and tax credits