

**YOU ARE  
NOT ALONE.**  
*We're Here to Help!*

Sadly, too many of us have experienced or witnessed community violence. It can change your life and health forever. It can rob you of your sense of safety. Here are a few things you can do to help remain safe and stay away from violence:

- Share your experience with a trusted individual. If you are a young person, talk to an adult. It is not snitching and they can help reduce your fears.
- Be aware of the "hot spots" and "safe spots" in your neighborhood.
- Don't carry a weapon. It doesn't make you safer and can put you in harm's way.
- Learn the symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD); it is common for people to have trouble sleeping, have flash-backs, or become very anxious after a violent incident.

**Source and information:**  
**National Child Traumatic Stress Network**

**FUNDING for this program is provided by:**

- ◆ New York City's Young Men's Initiative
- ◆ NYC Health and Hospitals Corp. (HHC) and The Fund for HHC ("Guns Down, Life Up!")

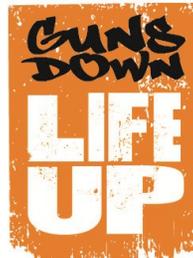
NYC Health and Hospitals Corporation (HHC) and The Fund for HHC ("Guns Down, Life Up!") are implementing violence interruption programs in Central Brooklyn, Harlem, and the Bronx through partnerships with HHC facilities, as well as community-based organizations, civic leaders, and other key community stakeholders.

# KCHC LIVE!

**Kings County Hospital Center**  
**471 Clarkson Ave. & E. 37 St.**  
**Emergency Room. S-Building**  
**Brooklyn, New York 11203**  
**Tel: 718-245-7279**  
**Email: [KCHCLIVE@nychhc.org](mailto:KCHCLIVE@nychhc.org)**



*Hospital Responders from KAVI, Save Our Streets - S.O.S. and Man Up! Inc./Real People Do Real Things*



**Kings County Hospital Center**

# KCHC

# LIVE!

**Let's Interrupt  
Violence Everywhere!**



**A Hospital-Based Partnership for  
Violence Intervention & Prevention**

**Kings County Hospital Center**  
**Kings Against Violence Initiative**  
**Save Our Streets - S.O.S.**  
**Man Up! Inc./Real People  
Do Real Things**  
**Tel: 718-245-7279**

**KCHC LIVE!** (Let's Interrupt Violence Everywhere) is a hospital-based partnership working to interrupt the cycle of violence. When someone enters the hospital with injuries from violence, **Hospital Responders** are called to KCHC to help patients and their families cope with the trauma they experience. The aim is to offer positive solutions in order to reduce the chances of retaliation and further violence in the community. The partnership combines principles of the nationally recognized violence interrupter model with existing hospital protocols, services and affiliations.

**Hospital Responders** are here to help you and your family with the aftermath of a violent incident. You can talk with a Hospital Responder about what happened and he/she can:

- Provide resources and information to you
- Assist with de-escalating or mediating conflicts related to your situation
- Talk with you about safe alternatives to engaging in violence
- Provide links to health and supportive services



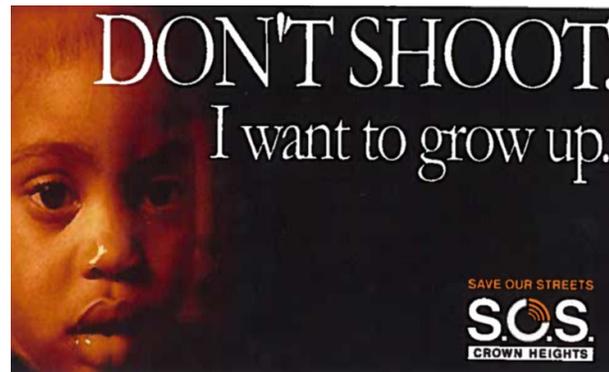
**KCHC LIVE!** (Let's Interrupt Violence Everywhere) is a collaboration established in 2013 between four partners:

- ◆ Kings County Hospital Center (KCHC), a facility of NYC Health & Hospitals Corp. (HHC)
- ◆ Kings Against Violence Initiative (KAVI)
- ◆ Save Our Streets Crown Heights and Bed-Stuy ("S.O.S.")-Crown Heights Community Mediation Ctr.
- ◆ Man Up! Inc. - Real People Do Real Things



**S.O.S. Hospital Responders** are here to help you and your family with the aftermath of a violent incident. You can talk to a Responder about what happened and he can provide resources and information to you. In some circumstances, he may be able to assist with de-escalating or mediating conflicts related to your situation. **S.O.S. Crown Heights and Bed Stuy** works to reduce shootings and killings by building relationships with people from the neighborhood including young people, merchants and residents.

718-773-6886  
[SOSCROWNHEIGHTS.ORG](http://SOSCROWNHEIGHTS.ORG)  
[facebook.com/soscrownheights](https://facebook.com/soscrownheights)



**Kings Against Violence Initiative (KAVI)** is a hospital, school, and community-based organization that works to foster violence intervention and prevention strategies, targeting young men and women who are KCHC patients. KAVI was founded in 2009 in order to provide safe alternatives to engaging in violence and empower youth to cultivate their untapped potential. According to the CDC, violence is the #1 cause of death among Black males aged 15-24 and the #2 cause of death for Latino males of the same age. KAVI views violence as a disease much in the same fashion as diabetes, hypertension or heart disease.



Founded after the 2003 tragic death of 8-year-old Daesean Hill in East New York, **Man Up! Inc. Real People Do Real Things** serves urban neighborhoods as a Multi-cultural, social service Agency for Neighborhood improvement and for the complete Understanding of emergency Preparedness. The organization helps to combat violence and serve the needs of the community through services and activities like after-school programs, summer day camp, employment readiness, mentoring, sports, recreation and advocacy. The organization takes pride in being community activists who "walk the walk" in the most challenging situations to help resolve conflict.

718-498-2320  
[MANUPINC.ORG](http://MANUPINC.ORG)

As such, KAVI is not a social program but a "disease" intervention program that believes in youth empowerment as a way to improve the lives of young people, especially as it relates to violence.



Email: [kavibrooklyn@gmail.com](mailto:kavibrooklyn@gmail.com)  
[KAVIBROOKLYN.ORG](http://KAVIBROOKLYN.ORG)