







### Concept:

# Fast, direct and helpful

#### Core functions:

# Serve people's needs Keep people informed



# **Design and Content Strategy**

- Make it easy to find things
- Prioritize important content and tasks
- Map site structure around user needs, not government organization
- Communicate effectively
- Provide services efficiently
- Evolve continuously through metrics
- Be accessible to all users, on all devices
- Unify the user experience and establish the NYC.gov brand across agencies/initiatives
- Set the category standard for best-practices usability and design
- Inform site visitors about City initiatives
- Demonstrate the City's commitment to customer service and transparency



### **Editorial Voice and Tone**

The City of New York prides itself on the services it provides to residents and visitors. The tone of NYC.gov must be consistent and reflect the high standards for these services.

### The tone of NYC.gov is respectful, helpful and informative.

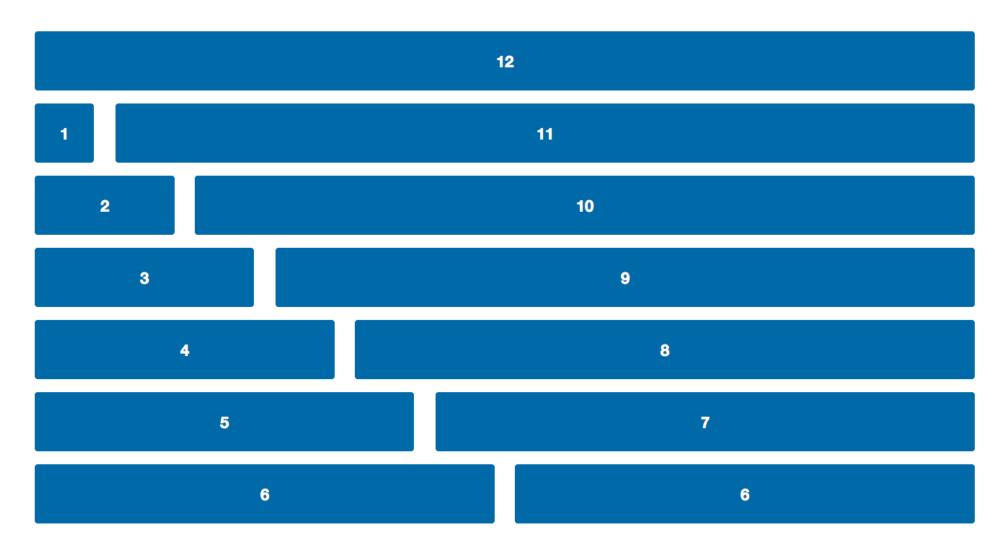
**RESPECTFUL:** Think about being warm, engaging, sincere and respectful. If the website could speak, would a user want to engage in a conversation?

**HELPFUL:** Think about replicating the best customer service. Be patient, be sensitive to the user's situation, be supportive, and be willing to provide assistance.

**INFORMATIVE:** Think about gaining the user's trust by delivering timely, reliable, official, accessible and authoritative information.



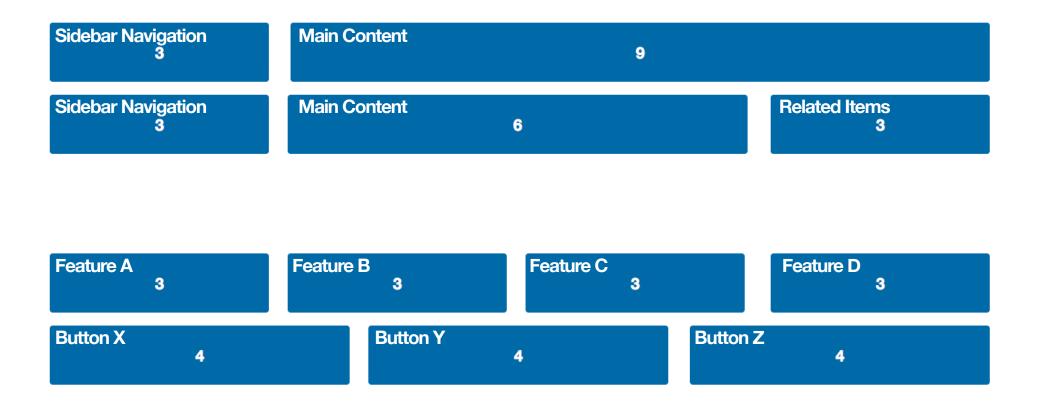
### **Grid: General**



12 columns • Horizontally centered • Max width 940px • Fully responsive



# **Grid: Typical Layout Patterns**





# **Layout and Grid Examples**



Category page



Home page



### **Responsive Breakpoints**

NYC.gov is fully responsive and displays properly on all devices and viewport widths. Some components have custom displays at custom widths, instead of or in addition to the general breakpoints.

**Desktop/Wide Viewports 960px** 

**Tablet/Medium Viewports 768px** 

Phone/Small Viewports 480px



# **Responsive Flow**

- Header/Navigation
- Hero Vignette
- 311
- Programs & Initiatives
- Local Events
- Stay Connected
- Elected Officials
- Footer

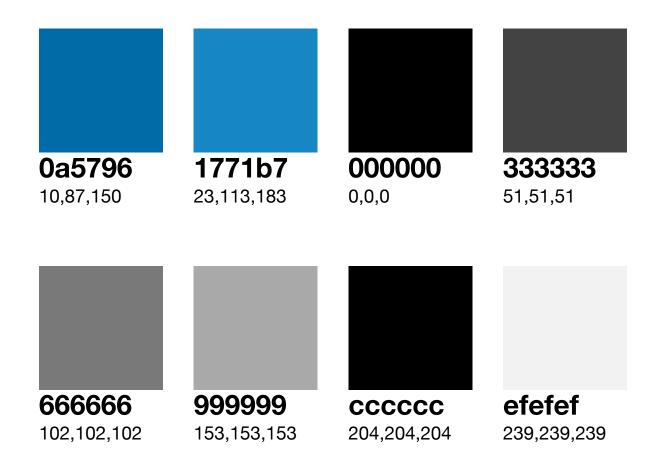








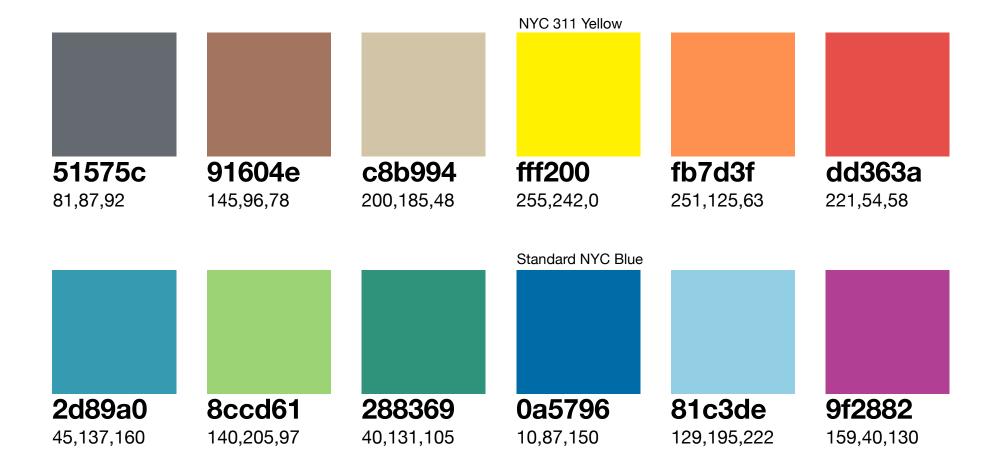
### **Site Colors**







### **Accent Colors**

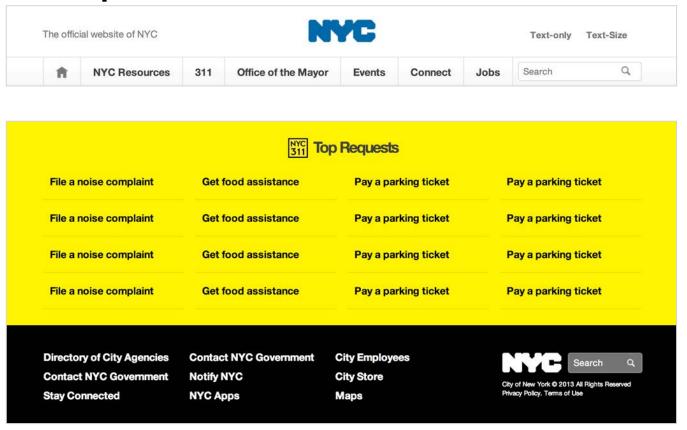






# **Navigation: Global**

#### **Desktop**



#### Phone



File a noise complaint

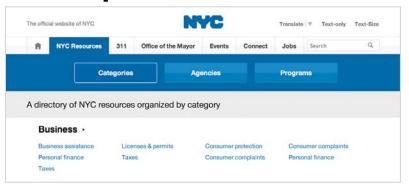
Pay a parking ticket

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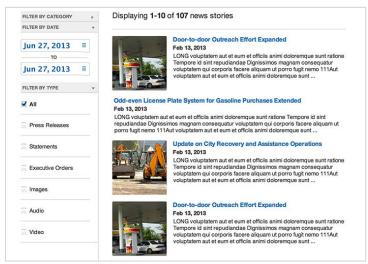


# **Navigation: Subnav**

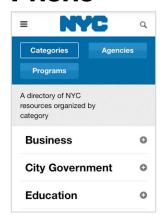
#### **Desktop**



#### **Filters**



#### **Phone**



#### **Sidebar**



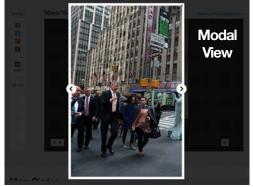


# Images: Photo Gallery, Hero

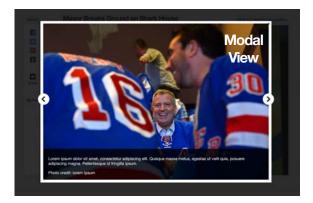
Hero: The main image/content area on a page



#### **Photo Gallery**







Images can be horizontal or vertical. Horizontal 800px x 532px is recommended for Hero display.

There is no technical pixel size limit but images should be optimized for both display quality and site performance. See next page for image optimization guidelines.



### **Image Optimization Recommendations**



#### Photographs and other continuous-tone images

Save as format: jpg

Quality: 60 for everyday photos that can be somewhat lossy Quality: 100 for photos intended to be re-used for print

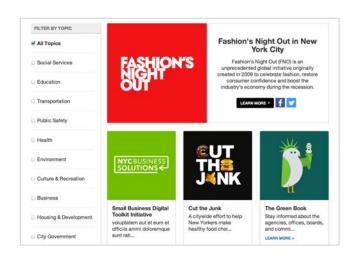
Hero and image gallery recommended sizes: 800px x 532px 532px x 800px for vertical - gallery or inline only

### Graphics and images with a reduced number of or non-continuous colors

Save as format: png-8 or png-24

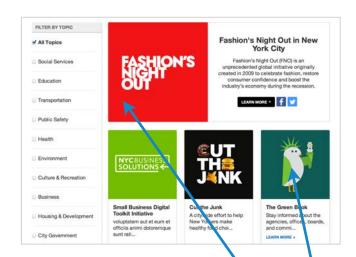
png-8 for images that look good with 256 or fewer colors, and no alpha transparency

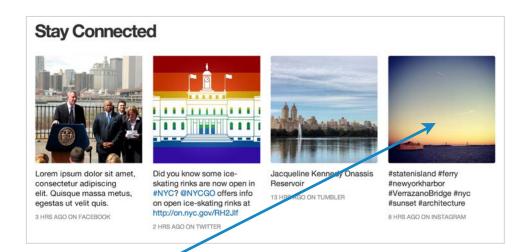
png-24 for images with alpha transparency and up to 16 million colors. Can be saved with no quality loss, but image size can be large.





# Images: Feature/Program and Stay Connected







#### 480px square

One image works for all positions and displays

Use png-8 where possible for limited-color images



# **Images: Social Media Icons**

