

BOARD OF CORRECTION RESPONSE TO MAYOR DE BLASIO'S ANNOUNCEMENT  
RE 300 PEOPLE IN CUSTODY TO BE RELEASED

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Jacqueline Sherman, Interim Chair, [New York City Board of Correction](#) (the City's independent oversight agency for the jails):

*The Board of Correction continues to call on the Courts, District Attorneys, State Corrections Commissioner, and the Mayor to take bold action immediately to release people and save lives in the City jails. New York City has the infrastructure to safely transition people home and we must do so now. The Mayor's announcement today is a welcome starting point, but criminal justice leaders must follow our colleagues in Los Angeles and New Jersey and move quicker and on a much larger scale to respond to this crisis.*

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