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CUNY Rising Alliance Response to the City Budget

New York, New York - The CUNY Rising Alliance would like to thank all the student leaders and groups, labor unions, community groups, and bold City Council members who helped reduce the Mayor's shameful cuts to CUNY. We rallied, marched, sent hundreds of letters, made hundreds of phone calls, and called out the Mayor at every turn. It worked! We won the restoration of \$32.4 million in cuts to CUNY community colleges, and restoration to critical opportunity programs like CUNY ASAP and ACE. While we put the brakes on massive cuts, students, faculty, and our institutions are still feeling the impacts of this austerity budget and the cuts of years past. We will continue to fight for ALL that we deserve: a *free* and *fully funded* City University of New York. Special thanks to The People's Plan NYC, Young Democratic Socialist of America, NYPIRG, NYCC, the PSC, Young Invincibles, and the University Student Senate.











