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## **LinkNYC and DoITT Partner with Museum of the City of New York for Women's History Month**

*LinkNYC Kiosks Across NYC will Highlight Prominent Women Political Activists Throughout March*

**NEW YORK** — Today, International Women's Day, LinkNYC and the New York City Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DoITT) announced a collaboration with the Museum of the City of New York to commemorate influential women in New York City politics for Women's History Month. Starting today and running throughout March, Links across the five boroughs will display images of notable women from the museum's [current exhibition](#) "*Beyond Suffrage: A Century of New York Women in Politics*," including household names like Elizabeth Cady Stanton and lesser known trailblazers like Mabel Lee and Sarah J.S. Tompkins Garnet whose stories are equally inspiring.

The exhibition highlights noteworthy female activists throughout the 20<sup>th</sup> Century to present day who have aided in the fight for women's rights and played a crucial role in politics over the years. It includes artifacts, garments, photographs, and audio-visual materials from over the years.

"During Women's History Month we are proud to shine a light on prominent women who have positively impacted New York City and the entire nation," said **Jen Hensley, President of Link**. "Using Link's platform of digital displays throughout the five boroughs, we hope New Yorkers and visitors who walk by Links will get a window into the well-known and unsung heroes who have paved the way for women today."

"This month, New Yorkers are going to encounter some of the city's most influential women of the past century just by walking by LinkNYC kiosks," said **Samir Saini, Commissioner of the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications**. "The Museum of the City of New York has done a tremendous job telling the story of how New York's women have shaped our city and country, and we hope that sharing a piece of it on Links will inspire activism among all the people—male and female—of our city today."

"As the only museum dedicated to telling the story of New York City, we are proud to celebrate Women's History Month and excited to partner with LinkNYC to bring our *Beyond Suffrage* exhibition to the streets of the city," said **Whitney Donhauser, Ronay Menschel Director and President, Museum of the City of New York**. "The perfect match between Link's platform and our content will bring the story

of women’s activism in New York to life in unprecedented ways and make the inspiring history of *Beyond Suffrage* accessible for even more New Yorkers, tourists, and visitors.”

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More than 3.3 million people – more than the populations of the cities of Chicago, Phoenix, Philadelphia, Dallas, or San Diego – have used the free gigabit Wi-Fi service, with tens of thousands of new users joining the network each week. LinkNYC Wi-Fi subscribers have used more than 3,625,000 GB of data used, the equivalent of streaming 580 million songs and 3 million video hours, sending 36 billion emails and 123 billion messages.

### **About the Department of Information Technology and Telecommunications (DoITT)**

DoITT is the technology core of New York City government, working with over 100 city agencies and entities to deliver the tech they need to serve and empower New Yorkers. DoITT’s technology solutions help keep the five boroughs safe, strong, and vibrant. For more information, visit [nyc.gov/DoITT](http://nyc.gov/DoITT) or visit us on Facebook or Twitter.

### **About The Museum of The City of New York**

Founded in 1923 as a private, nonprofit corporation, the Museum of the City of New York celebrates and interprets the city, educating the public about its distinctive character, especially its heritage of diversity, opportunity, and perpetual transformation. The Museum connects the past, present, and future of New York City, and serves the people of the city as well as visitors from around the world through exhibitions, school and public programs, publications, and collections. To connect with the Museum on social media, follow us on Instagram and Twitter at @MuseumofCityNY and visit our Facebook page at [Facebook.com/MuseumofCityNY](https://www.facebook.com/MuseumofCityNY). For more information please visit [www.mcny.org](http://www.mcny.org).