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Clerk Valencia's CityKey program celebrates 7 years by highlighting local businesses

CHICAGO- City Clerk Anna Valencia's CityKey program, Chicago's municipal ID, celebrates seven years this week by highlighting the [local businesses partners](#) that offer discounts as a part of the card's benefits.

"With almost 150,000 CityKeys distributed, my office is ready to expand our business partnership program to help Chicago businesses grow and serve as a resource for our local businesses," Valencia said. "Our goal is to not only uplift our business community but also give Chicagoans more opportunities to enjoy their city without breaking the bank."

To offer more support for CityKey business partners, the Office of the City Clerk is hosting an event with Business Affairs and Consumer Protection on Friday to share more resources the City has to offer our businesses.

"I'm so grateful for partners like Center on Halsted and BACP who are willing to join us in expanding our program and providing opportunities for local businesses to help them grow," Valencia said. "It's important during this time that we're invested in the outstanding businesses right here in our city."

Beginning on Tuesday, CityKey will also highlight some of their longest standing business partners through daily videos on their social media featuring Brown Sugary Bakery, Monarch Thrift Shop, Self Help Credit Union and Lawndale Christian Fitness Center.

"We partnered with CityKey because we strongly believe in collaboration," said Monarch Thrift Shop Co-Executive Director and Co-Founder Mireya Fouche. "As an independent non-profit, we can't survive on our own, so for us, being collaborative with community members and other businesses is what really helps us grow. It provides opportunities for our community members to gain discounts and to learn about other businesses that they, too, can frequent and visit at a discounted price."

Businesses interested in signing up to partner with CityKey can do so by filing out the [Business Partnership Form](#).

CityKey is a free and optional government-issued 4-in-1 ID serving as a Ventra card, library and Chicago Rx Prescription Discount Card available to all Chicagoans and can be obtained through the City Clerk's mobile printing events. Visit our site to learn more at [getcitykey.com](#).

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