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When the Map calls Rarity and Applejack to Manehattan, Rarity writes her good friend Coco Pommel telling her about their upcoming trip and asking if she and Applejack can stay with her. Coco is overjoyed at the prospect of seeing Rarity again and more than happy to host the ponies.

Eager to see what the Map has in store for them, Rarity and Applejack arrive in Manehattan and are greeted by a very welcoming Coco, who has been busy with a special project of her own. Inspired by their last meeting and Rarity's generosity, Coco is determined to give back to her community. The borough where she lives has seen better days and Coco has decided to take it upon herself to spruce up the entire neighborhood!

Although she doesn't want to burden Rarity and Applejack with her project, Coco could really use the ponies' help, and Rarity and Applejack quickly suspect that this is the reason they've been summoned to Manehattan. Though they want to help Coco, Rarity and Applejack know that despite her good intentions, Coco's project is too ambitious, and that they have neither the time nor the resources to renovate an entire neighborhood. Rarity applauds Coco's ambitious undertaking, but encourages her to focus on tackling something more within her means. Rarity has noticed the neighborhood has a small theater that is too run down to host a production. With some minor repairs, it could become useable again. Applejack tries to reason with Coco, warning her not to bite off more than she can chew.

Rather than heed the advice of her friends, Coco continues with her attempts to restore the entire neighborhood, but becomes overwhelmed when she realizes she can't do it all. Rarity and Applejack tell Coco that even if they can't transform the entire neighborhood, they can still make a difference in the community by restoring the theater, but Coco is convinced that such a small act won't make a difference, so why bother restoring it at all?

Refusing to give up, Rarity and Applejack set to work. Rarity comes up with designs for the theater, while Applejack recruits neighborhood ponies to help out. With a single focus and extra hooves, Rarity and Applejack finish renovating the theater and enlist a small theater troupe to put on a play there. On opening night, they convince Coco to come see what they've accomplished. As ponies from the neighborhood gather at the theater and enjoy the show, Coco comes to see that though the entire neighborhood hasn't been transformed, the renovation of the theater has brought the community closer and they are grateful for it.

In the end, Applejack and Rarity help Coco to see that even the smallest of generous acts can make a difference and that just because you can't fix everything doesn't mean you shouldn't try to fix something.