### Good Shepherd Services

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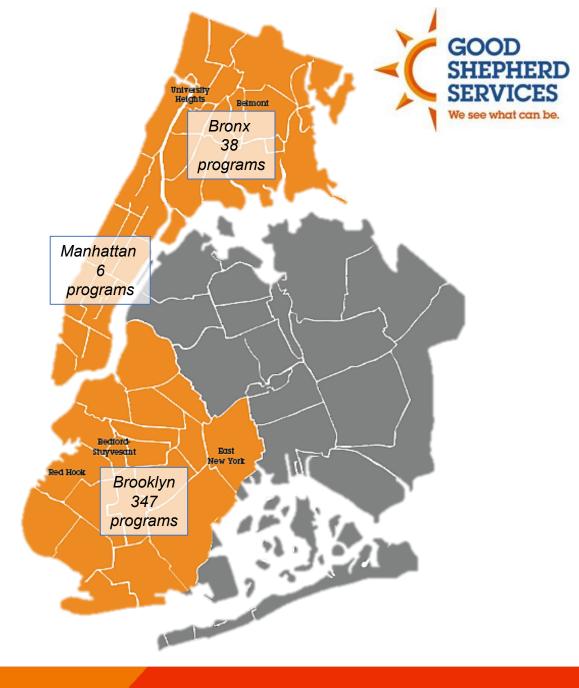
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Our Mission: Guided by racial and social justice, Good Shepherd Services partners and grows with communities so that all NYC children, youth and families succeed and thrive.

We offer two networks of community-based youth development, education & vocation, youth justice, and family service programs in Brooklyn and the Bronx; group homes for adolescents; supportive housing for young adults; and foster care and adoption services.

In Fiscal Year 2023 (ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023), 33,000 children, youth & families participated across 91 programs



### Harry S Truman High School Beacon Program



Beacon programs are school-based community centers serving children ages six and older, and adults. There are currently 91 Beacons located throughout the five boroughs of New York City operating in the afternoons and evenings, on weekends, and during school holidays and vacation periods, including the summer.

Since 1991, GSS has operated two Beacon Community Centers which have served as anchors for countless Red Hook and Fordham/Belmont youth and their families.



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Targets	300	500		
Participants	270	<b>685</b>		
Summer camp	110	150		
Community Events participants 1,541				

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# Harry S Truman High School Beacon Program Supports and Community Events



#### Program Components

- Academic Support
- Literacy Enhancement
- o Dance
- $\circ$  Fashion Lab
- o Boxing
- o Photography
- Sports Fitness
- $\circ$  Cook Shop
- Youth Advisory
- Civic Engagement
- Archery (Spring)

#### Community Events

- o Health Fairs
- Quarterly Family Bingo
- o Community Pantry
- Girl Scouts
- Vendor Meet and Greet
- Saturday Academy



## Community Board Feedback (Oct 23)

- Want to ensure that we have engaging programming for youth between the ages of 12 and 17
- Making SAT prep/testing available
  - Bronx House has free SAT prep
- Making test for catholic school available
  - Lehman college offers but there is a waitlist and it is long
- Independent school testing prep
  - we don't see this test prep anywhere for free- ISEE (Independent School Entrance Exam) & SSAT (Secondary School Admission Test)
  - Prep for Prep has class
- Co-City Engagement

- Truman offers SAT prep to their students
- Beacon has offered SAT prep but we did not have good attendance
- Open to offering
- Beacon has not offered any of the specialized testing. Welcome vendors but they will not be able to charge participants to attend.
- We met w/ the RiverBay Corporation in November 2023

In Fiscal Year\* 2023, the Beacon program had 684 participants enrolled (with a target of 300). For Fiscal Year 2024 (year to date as of 11/21/23), the enrollment is 415.

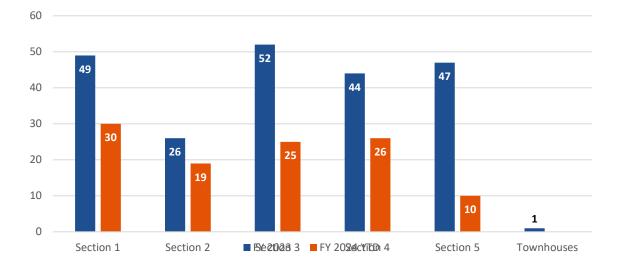
#### Enrollment for 10475 Zip Code and Co-op City Residents

In Fiscal Year 2023, **239** participants (45% of enrolled participants) live in the 10475 zip code – **219** of these participants live in Co-op City.

In Fiscal Year 2024 YTD, **119** participants (38% of enrolled participants) live in the 10475 zip code – **110** of these participants live in Co-op City.

The chart below shows the number of enrolled Beacon participants living in Co-op

#### Co-op City Section for Beacon Participants



### **Beacon Co-locator Agreement Process**

### Good Shepherd will support applicants along the way to:

- Complete the New York City Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD) co-locator form
- Complete the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) 6000 Package which includes medical clearance, fingerprinting and background check
- Apply for a Volunteer Position on Good Shepherd Services website
- Inform the applicant once they are cleared from Human Resources

#### **Considerations:**

- The entire process can take 2-3 months
- Co-locators can NOT charge participants
- OCFS is taking anywhere between 3-6 weeks to approve /clear staff to work.

Department of Youth & Community Development Beacon Co	-Locator Agreement
Beacon Contractor:	DYCD Contract#:
Beacon School-based Community Center Name a	nd Address:
Co-Locator Name:	
Name of Co-Locator Primary Contact:	Phone #:

This Agreement, effective from \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_/ to \_\_\_/\_\_\_/ between the Beacon Contractor and Co-Locator identified above (herein the "Parties"), is for the purpose of enhancing available services and establishing the Beacon Program as a comprehensive school-based community center ("Beacon Community Center" or "Community Center"). The Parties understand and acknowledge that a Beacon Community Center Co-Locator is an independently funded organization, informal group, or individual that agrees to deliver a component of the Beacon program, as directed and supervised by the Beacon Contractor, in exchange for free space and the opportunity to provide its services to Beacon participants and community members. The Parties further understand and acknowledge that the Beacon Contractor is responsible for ensuring that the Co-Locator program activities are covered by a valid insurance policy in the manner, form, and limits required by DYCD. This Co-Locator Agreement confirms that the Co-Locator will comply with the terms stated below:

- A. The Primary Contact identified above understands that s/he is responsible for all Beacon participants in activities offered by the Co-Locator, as well as any Co-Locator staff providing the activity.
- B. Co-Locator understands and agrees:
  - 1. To adhere to the Co-Locator Background Screening Policy attached as Appendix A to this Agreement;
- 2. To comply with any required Department of Education background check protocols for staff;
- No fees will be charged to or solicited from participants of any co-located activity. All activities must be open to the community free of charge;
- 4. To adhere to DYCD's Social Media Policy attached as Appendix B to this Agreement;
- 5. No restrictions will be imposed on participants on the basis of actual or perceived age, race, color, religion, creed, national origin, alienage or citizenship status, sex, gender, sexual preference or sexual orientation, disability (including presence of a service dog), marital status, partnership status, military status, or any other class protected from discrimination by Law;
- 6. It shall not enter into any co-location agreements related to the performance of its obligations, in whole or in part, under this Agreement with another group or organization for use of the Beacon Community Center space; and
- 7. It will actively recruit and conduct outreach for new participants and welcome participants from within the Beacon Program.
- 8. Effective Monday, October 4th, 2021, the City's vaccination mandate for City-contracted childcare programs will begin. This means that as of Monday, October 4th, unvaccinated staff cannot be on site during hours that you are offering DYCD-contracted services to children and families. All staff entering our centers will need to be vaccinated or have submitted proof of receiving at least 1 dose of a vaccination. This will apply to all support staff entering the building as well.
- All staff members and children over the age of 2 must continue to wear face coverings as well, regardless of vaccination status.

Information about locations where New Yorkers can receive a vaccine for COVID-19 can be found at vaccinefinder.nyc.gov or by calling 877-VAX-4-NYC. Staff can also request home vaccination appointments by visiting nyc.gov/homevaccine or calling 877-VAX-4-NYC.

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### **Beacon Co-locators and Sub-contractors\***



Name of Co-locators	Specialty
Velocity Track Team	Track
Bronx Tigers Track Team	Track
Jaguars	Basketball
JASA	Seniors
NYSBA	Football, Basketball
NDDL	Double Dutch
Troop #1200	Girl Scouts
NEBx 124 Service Unit	Girl Scout Troop
Baychester Library	Library
Co-op City Tennis Club	Tennis

Name of Sub-contractors	Specialty
Game Over	Martial Arts
	Boxing
Fashion Fabby	Fashion Design
Kevin Richards	Photography
Photography	
Paul Josephs Music	Your song – Music
	Class
Daedal Signs	American Sign
	Language (ASL)
	Programming

FREE FOR ALL!!\* SATURDAY 12:30-1:30PM MON & WED 6-TPM

### WITH MS. MIMI

Beginner classes
Different styles of dance
Burn calories

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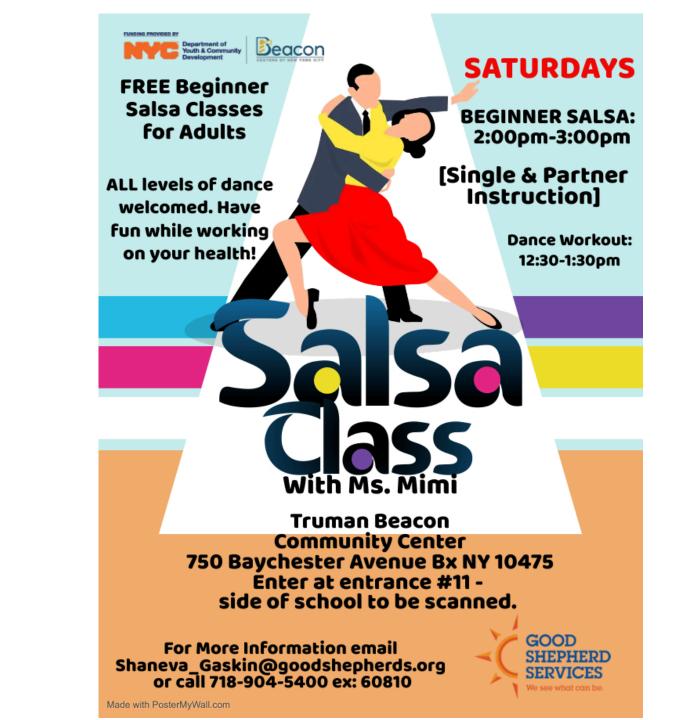
Have fun while working on your health!!

\*All participants must fill out an application

an application Enter through Exit 11 TRUMAN BEACON COMMUNITY CENTER at the Truman Campus

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Discover the benefits of cold pressed juicing - Kale, Spinach, Ginger etc.

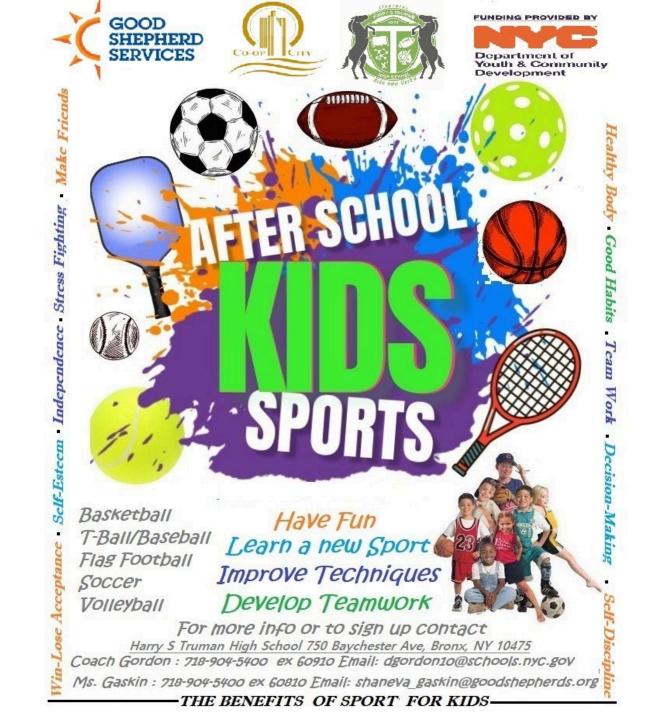
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Discover the benefits of blending your favorite fruits for a healthy treat !!!.

Discover New Receipes & Cook Together

750 Baychester Avenue BX NY 10475 Entrance #11 (Blue doors) Scanning School. Questions, Email: Shaneva\_Gaskin@goodshepherds.org / Call 718-904-5400 EXT 60810

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### Harry S Truman High School Beacon Program

Hours of Operations

Monday – 3pm-9pm Tuesday – 3pm-9pm Wednesday – 3pm-9pm Thursday – 3pm-9pm Friday – 3pm-9pm Saturday – 10am-5pm Sunday – Closed After-school Hours: 3pm-6pm \*Community Hours: 6pm-9pm Summer Hours: 8am-6pm

### Advocacy and Community Engagement



Good Shepherd supports the natural web of relationships and connections among neighborhood stakeholders and advocate for resources to ensure the well-being of youth and families, and their communities.

Campaign for Children



Assemblymember Carl E. Heastie Assembly District 83









NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Jamaal T. Bailey Chairman of Committee on Codes (D) 36TH SENATE DISTRICT

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