

Brooklyn Community Board #4 Regular Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, March 16, 2016
Hope Gardens Multi Service Center
195 Linden Street, Corner of Wilson Avenue
Brooklyn, New York 11221
6:00PM

Ms. Nadine Whitted the District Manager of Brooklyn Community Board's #4 opened the Public Agenda portion of the meeting at 6:50PM.

- Public Hearing Item -

1) Rheingold Coalition Committee - (RCC) Update on Benefits Agreement as of result of the Rheingold Rezoning Project

Bruno Daniel – Met with the Land Use Committee earlier in the month and he felt that after the meeting everyone was on the same page.

Updating on funding that was allocated to groups.

- a) Marty Needleman (Co-Executive Director, Chief Counsel of Brooklyn Legal Services Corp. A): The agreement was worked out when Diana Reyna was the councilwoman. She asked them to make it feasible to approve rezoning for the Rheingold area. This included a number of restrictions and it took time for them to work it out.

They were able to receive \$125,000 for two years which is coming to an end for the project from READ for anti-displacement work in Bushwick as part of the Rheingold rezoning understanding. Of that money they were able to cover the work of one FTE attorney and were able to fund \$40,000 a year to Bushwick Housing Independence Project (BHIP) to enable them to sustain the cost of Yolanda Coca, their long term organizer, for whom BHIP no longer had the resources to pay.

Whenever there is rezoning people get displaced from where they live by landlords and the market goes up traumatically.

- b) Mr. Jose Leon, St. Nicks Alliance: In 2013 the agreement with the READ Property Group is to provide construction training. To be able to train 60 individuals or place 60 individuals within the Rheingold site. The organization received \$75,000.00 to do so.

They were very disappointed when the READ Property Group sold the property.

They have two classes that they are offering:

- Currently finishing a class
- In April a construction class will begin – Applicants will be screened and if approved by the subcontractor they will be able to work at the Rheingold site or the Domino site. The training will be a 5 week training. At \$15.00 per hour.

The opportunity will be available for Community Board #'s 1 and 4 residents.

So far 20 people enrolled in the training 1 person dropped out leaving 19 and 2 of them came from Community Board #4 district.

St. Nick's Alliance is asking for help with the outreach. Applicants must have a minimum of a 9th grade reading and math level. They must also be committed and eager to learn.

Chairperson Ms. Dent stated that the board received the flyer for training two (2) days before the class was scheduled to start. She asked how we could send people that would qualify to go through the process to be screened if the board receives the information 2 days before the training should start.

I do not know why, the Community Board was not given the information earlier.

She stated her concern that people in Community did not know about the training class earlier, knowing about the training earlier would give them the opportunity to compete or take advantage of the training.

Mr. Jose Leon apologized for the Community Board receiving the flyer late and he stated that it was their mistake. He stated that he brought flyers with him tonight for the class/training that will start in April and he stated that for the April class he will make sure that they have enough participants from Community Board #4 before they start the class.

District Manager Ms. Whitted stated that this is good that Community Board #4 will know in advance in the future and that the next class will not start unless they have a number of Community Board #4 participants, however she would like to work with St. Nicks Alliance in order to make sure that this is done.

Ms. Whitted stated that the flyer announcing the start of an earlier class was shown to her 3 days before the class was to start and she brought this to the attention of her Executive Committee who was not pleased.

Ms. Whitted suggested that he and his organization reach out to the (CBO) Community Based Organizations in the community. Ms. Whitted stated that this opportunity could impact someone for their betterment of their life style.

Mr. Leon stated that they will look at CBO in the community that they may have been overlooking.

Ms. Whitted asked Mr. Leon which organizations in the district did St. Nicks Alliance reached out to. Mr. Leon said that they was in contact with NYCHA. NYCHA is not considered to be a CBO stated the District Manager. When asked what other organizations, Mr. Leon said that he did not have a list with him. The District Manager suggested that they have a meeting ASAP so she can give him a list of CBO that he need to reach out to in the district, then he can come back to the board with the results.

Mr. Leon said that he would do that.

Ms. Martha Brown: What are the age requirements?

Mr. Leon: The minimum age is 18 years old. There is no maximum age, however the person interested must be able to lift 20-25lbs of weight in order to be able to work on the construction site.

Mr. Austen Martinez: He called the number on the flyer twice and there was no answer the first time and the second time the answering machine was full. Mr. Martinez also mentioned that there were no flyers around the project site so that people could be aware of the opportunity.

Mr. Leon stated that they put up the flyer in one location but will check with the contractor to see if the flyer can be but up in other places.

Ms. Whitted asked that Mr. Leon show her the names and addresses of the people who are being screened so as to make sure that these people do live in Bushwick.

The screening process does not guarantee a job. The screening process prepares them for what is needed or/and required in order for them to get the job. If the meet the qualifications chances are that they will be hired but St. Nicks Alliance cannot guarantee them the job.

c) Mr. Bruno Daniel, Senior Housing Project:

Site info:

- 7 Lots of Land (11-23 Montieth Street, Brooklyn, NY 11206) Total site area: 15,000 square ft.

Site History:

- 11-23 Montieth reserved for affordable housing – Co-owned by Southside United HDFC (Los Sures) and CUFFH
- Los Sures is acting as developer of the site
- CB 4 request senior housing - Until recently there was not funding for senior housing – not economically feasible to develop
- Funding recently opened up

Current Funding:

- SARA (Senior Affordable Rental Apartments) Program – HPD program to fund development
- HAP (Housing Assistance Program) – Project based rental assistance vouchers; tied to individual apartments in the building rather than tenants

Building and Tenant Makeup:

- Roughly 70 Units
- 100% affordable(no market rate units)
- To qualify, tenants need to be seniors (62 years of age and over) with incomes up to 60%% of AMI
- 50% of units have CB4 preference
- Per SARA requirements, 30% reserved for homeless seniors referred by a New York City or NY State agency

Community Amenities:

- Community space for tenants
- Security
- Incorporating green and active design

Timeline:

- Currently reviewing architect proposals, and beginning environmental studies
- Anticipated Breaking Ground: around June 2017

2) NYC Department of Transportation – Bushwick Community Bicycle Planning:

Slideshow Presentation by Inbar Kishoni.

Community Bicycle Network Development Process Planning 2015

Community Outreach and Engagement, Data Collective and Evaluation, Street Network Limitations and Opportunities & Potential Routes and Facility Type.

Implementation 2016

Seek Community Board support for Phase 1 projects, Implement Phase 1 projects & Steering Committee evaluation and input for Phase 2

Implementation 2017

Seek Community Board support for Phase 2 projects, Implement Phase 2 projects & Steering Committee evaluation and input on full network

Outreach and Engagement

In November a kickoff meeting was held-in August 2014 an online survey was launched.

February 2015: First Community Workshop: March & April 2015: Bike shop visits were made

April 2015: Mobile Workshops at Eco-Station Earth Day Event & Public Surveying at Myrtle-Wyckoff M/L Stop

May 2015: Public Surveying at Jefferson L Stop, visits to Schwinn Clubs & Bike Shops, Second Community Workshop was held

June 2015: Mobile Workshop at Shape Up Bushwick, Mobile Workshop at Arts in

Bushwick & the online survey was closed out 6/30/2015.

August 2015: Bike Lanes at El Puente, Tabling at Assemblywoman’s Maritza Davila Parade

Data Collection and Evaluation – Survey: Bike Routes Wanted

- Preference for streets currently used
- High preference for east/west commercial corridors that serve entire neighborhood
- No strong preference for specific north/south routes shows that we can prioritize geometry and connectivity

Street Design: 1-Way Dedicated Bicycle Lanes

Bushwick 1-Way Mixed Use Streets can fit: Space for cyclists, Narrows travel lane to calm traffic, no parking impact, cyclists kept out of door zone

Bushwick Street Types: 2-Way Mixed Use

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| • Remainder of Bushwick Streets | • Gates Avenue |
| • Examples: Myrtle Avenue | • DeKalb Avenue |
| • Broadway | • Bushwick Avenue |
| • Wilson Avenue | • Flushing Avenue |
| • Wyckoff Avenue | |

- 34-44 Width is too narrow for bicycle lanes without significant changes
- Higher traffic volumes
- Complicated geometries

Paula Melendez read letter from Assemblywoman Martiza Davila regarding the Bushwick Network project. Assemblywoman expressed her concerns in the letter and asked that the board members hold off on voting for the project until the project members have spoken to the merchants and shoppers who have been using the Knickerbocker Avenue for decades.

District Manager: Due to the board not having a quorum last month when it was time to vote, voting took place based on last month's presentation. (7:35PM)

NYC Department of Transportation: Bushwick Community Bicycle Planning

Members voted: Motion for bicycle lane approved

13 Members -YES

10 Members - NO

2 Members - Abstain

Det. D. Franco stating to the DOT: Lane markings should be visible and clear for the cyclist to see, also pedestrian markings need to be improved so that they can be safe

First Roll Call, 7:45PM: 27 Members were present this constitute a quorum.

Ms. Dent asked for the acceptance of the agenda with any necessary corrections. Ms. Gladys Puglla motioned to accept the agenda as written. It was second by Mr. Robert Camacho. Motioned Moved.

Ms. Dent asked for the acceptance of the previous month's minutes with any necessary corrections. Ms. Virgie Jones motioned to accept the previous month's minutes with any necessary corrections. The motioned was second by Ms. Mary McClellan. Motioned Moved.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT: 7:46 PM

Ms. Julie Dent welcomed all in attendance to the March 16, 2016 meeting of Community Board #4. She asked that the Elected Officials and / or their representatives introduce themselves and state their respective contact information with their address and telephone numbers.

- 1) Jacklyn Reyes Representing Assemblyman Eric Martin Dilan, 366 Cornelia Street, Brooklyn, NY 718-386-4576
- 2) Celeste Leon Representing Councilman Rafael Espinal, 786 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11207, 718-642-8664
- 3) Yamilky Crisostomo, Representing the Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201, 718-802-3809
- 4) Shelton Jones Representing District Attorney Kenneth Thompson, 350 Jay Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201-2908, 718-250-3146
- 5) Jennifer Representing Councilman Antonio Reynoso, 244 Union Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11211, 718-963-3141
- 6) Miguel Suarez Representing Martin Malave Dilan, 718 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11221, 718-573-1726

City, State or Federal Agency Representatives were asked to introduce themselves and state their respective contact information such as their name, address and telephone number.

- 1) Maggie Mangual, Program Manager – Wyckoff Heights Hospital, Sexual Health Behavior, 718-508-4669

- 2) Deputy Inspector Max Tolentino, 83rd Pct. 480 Knickerbocker Avenue, 718-574-1697
- 3) Detective Franco, 83rd Pct., Community Affairs Unit, 480 Knickerbocker Avenue, 718-574-1697

Ms. Dent invited Deputy Inspector up to say a few words as to what is happening in Bushwick and she thanked him for consistently and providing monthly updates.

Deputy Inspector Tolentino, 83rd Precinct: 8:01PM

He invited anyone who encounters a bad experience with one of his police officers to contact him right away. They can even call 311 if necessary.

Crime is down in year to date, but up in the 28 day period.

Do not become a victim of crime protect your information when using and shopping on the internet.

The Brooklyn Borough President’s Office has updated the current membership listing. The board has 43 members assigned.

On February 22, 2016 the following members received a certified letter from the board advising them of their attendance status according to the By-Laws. The letter also stated that it is imperative that they attend today’s meeting to inform the board of your membership intentions. Should they not attend, the board would then recommend their removal from the board.

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| 1) Katuska Cabral | 4) Armenta Simuel |
| 2) Robert Murray | 5) Iluminda Belardo |
| 3) Cyril Joseph | 6) Evadne George |

The only member who responded was Ms. Evadne George who attend that due to death in the family she could not attend tonight’s meeting.

Based on the board’s By-Laws the other members are being recommended for removal.

In accordance to the By-Laws, during the month of April the board elections should be conducted. The Chairperson requested volunteers from board members to serve as the Nomination Committee and conduct Election of Officers for 2016-2017.

The volunteers are:

Gladys Puglla, Mary McClellan, Vernedeaner Shell, Raul Rubio, Christopher Graham

Wyckoff Heights Medical Center

The hospital is seeking community members to join the Institutional Review (IBR) to review research protocols proposed by investigators at Wyckoff Hospital in order to determine the safety of the study participants and to ensure that the confidentiality of study participants is secured.

It is important that the IBR include Community Members as part of the committee. Their role is to make sure that they feel comfortable with the research that is being proposed and that the study materials are understandable, particularly that the consent form and other patent materials are clear.

Commitment: The participants should have a degree of comfort reading protocols or administrative documents. Participants are requires to attend monthly meeting which will be held every 4th Thursday at 2:00PM. The availability to review documents shared electronically, and the willingness to respond to email discussions about specific proposals and committee logistics.

The community participant member cannot be anyone who is employed by Wyckoff Hospital or anyone who is applying for a position within the institution. Interested individuals may contact: Danielle Beiling at DBeiling@wyckoffhospital.org

83rd Information/Update: Burglaries are up within the Community District – a majority of these perpetrators are gaining access using no force at all. This means that they are entering through UNLOCKED FRONT DOORS AND

WINDOWS. The area where there is an influx of robberies is: Grove Street to Stockholm Street from Wilson Avenue to St. Nicholas Avenue. Prevention is the key.

Life-Audrey Learning Center located at 272 Moffat Street:

HEALTH FAIR will take place on Friday April 15, 2016 from 11:00AM to 4:00PM. Hospital, Dental/Doctor Offices and Community Based Organizations are invited to participate. Registration forms are due no later than April 11, 2016. If you have any questions please call the Audrey Johnson Learning Center at 718-574-0130 or email them at audreyjo272@aol.com

Community Education Council District 32 meeting: Thursday, March 31, 2016 – I.S. 347, 35 Starr Street between Central and Wilson Avenues at 6:00PM

Summer Youth Registration is now under-way: Apply online at www.nycyep.com deadline is Friday, April 15, 2016. Questions can be answered at 1-800-246-4646.

DISTRICT MANGER'S REPORT: 8:13PM

Met with the Executive Director of the NYS Liquor Authority regarding issues associated with the request for license to sell alcohol from establishments in the district. The community has been inundated with liquor license requests.

Attended Housing and Land Use Committee Meeting

Women's History Month Presentation – March is Women's History Month. Many organizations including the Life Audrey Johnson Learning Center take the opportunity to celebrate women. The celebration focused on local women who work and live in the community. Assemblywoman Davila and the District Manager attended the celebration and they also interacted with the children by reading stories to the.

Woodhull Hospital's Legislative Luncheon: An update was provided on Legislative and Budget Issues

Borough Service Cabinet Meeting – Department of Buildings was present to participate in a conversation with Brooklyn District Managers

Met with NYC Comptroller Scott Stringer: Approximately 12-15 Community Leaders met with Comptroller Stringer so that he could discern firsthand what the most important issues people in Bushwick are faced with. Items discussed included but was limited too: extremely high rents, AMI-which should represent communities, not cities/metropolitan areas, child-care worker parity, where are residents who are being priced out moving to. The Comptroller stated he would conduct a study on the issue "where are people from neighborhoods moving to once they are priced out of their community. The results will be discussed with our Civic and Religious Committee (CRC) meeting in the future.

Community Board #4 is planning for the next Brooklyn Day Parade and Festivities which will take place Thursday, June 2, 2016.

Health Hospitals and Human Services Meeting: The Department of Health under the leadership of Dr. Mary Bassett has re-launched Community Health Profiles to help make data district specific, instead of using zip codes which over-laps communities. Also geography based on community districts and greater emphasis on social determinants. Bushwick's data is staggering and provides a real snap shot at what areas are lagging behind in terms of life expectancy, teen births, pre-term births, obesity and diabetes, infant mortality, poverty,

unemployment, rent burden, elementary school, New HIV diagnoses, absenteeism, air pollution, incarceration and violence.

Other Issues:

Rat Academy – Will take place during the month of April. There will be a three hour course on how to protect your property against rodent infestation.

National Grid – Has planned construction work to improve the reliability of our gas system. Capital Construction: 60 days duration on Menahan Street and Grove Street.

NYC DOT New Muni-Meter Installations – Beginning in June 2016 meters will be installed along all of Broadway. According to DOT Muni-help create vibrant retail corridors by encouraging vehicular turnover, in addition to offering several customer-friendly features including a convenient pay and display system.
Teachers at various schools along Broadway – EBC High School, PS 274 and the Day Cares Centers are complaining of lack opportunity for parking while in class.

Department of Transportation – Vision Zero Public Workshop: Myrtle/Wyckoff Avenues/Ridgewood Terminal Intersection and Plaza.

Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2016, 6:30PM, IS 77 located at 976 Seneca Avenue in the Cafeteria, Ridgewood NY 11385

The District Manager will try to set up a workshop to be held in Brooklyn. She would like to have it at Bushwick Campus.

Committee Reports: 8:25PM

Civic and Religious Committee Meeting (CRC), Chairperson: Ms. Elvena Davis

Meeting Held on Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 4:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207

Members Attending: Elvena Davis

Others Attending: Nadine Whitted, DI Tolentino, Det. Franco, Daryl Thomas, Joanna Bosquet – Metro Plus Health Plan

Items Discussed:

Parade Planning 2016, Shape Up Bushwick IV, Thursday, June 2, 2016

Route: Beginning at Wilson Avenue/Weirfield Street, Left on Wilson Avenue to Putnam Avenue to Central Avenue, Left on Central Avenue to Halsey Street, Left on Halsey to Wilson Avenue

Grand Marshall: Det. Damarys Franco

Activities: Yoga, Aerobics and fitness

Sponsors: Health Care Education Project, Metro Plus, Bogopa, Wyckoff Heights Medical Center, Woodhull Hospital, and the list is still growing

The CRC will host a meeting with the Health and Hospitals & Human Services Committee (HHH) . A suggestion as to the next meeting date is Thursday, March 31, 2016 at 4:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370.

Health Hospital and Human Services Committee (HHH), Chairperson Ms. Mary McClellan

Meeting Held on Monday, March 14, 2016 at 4:00PM to 6:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207

Items Discussed:

1) NYC Department of Health Mental Hygiene – Dr. Torian Easterling

Update on 335 Central Avenue – organizations who will be providing services from site
Bushwick's Health Statistics

2) Shape up Bushwick Planning

Housing and Land Use Committee Meeting (HLU). Chairperson: Ms. Martha Brown

Meeting Held: Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 4:00PM, 1420 Bushwick Avenue, Suite 370, Brooklyn, NY 11207

Members Attending: Martha Brown, Robert Camacho, Sandy Nurse, and Freddy Fowler

Others Attending: Nadine Whitted, Kevin Worthington – NYC Council Member Reynoso, Comm. Rep. Marty Needleman, Adam Meyers, Lina Lee, Alex Drimal – Brooklyn Legal Service Corp. A, Edwin Delgado – Residents, Elana Taubman, Alan Yu, Sandy Rozario – Los Sures, Luz Yolanda Coca –BHIP/CMS, Stephanie Canal – CUFFH, Sharon Cromwell SIEU 32BJ

Items Discussed- Benefits Agreement resulting from the Rheingold Rezoning Project. The following organizations received funding to provide an array of service to local Bushwick residents who are impacted by the Rheingold rezoning. The District Manager requested that the organizations provide in writing a synopsis the work that each will have performed, contributions, etc.

Los Sures – Sandy Rozario – Housing Director

Bushwick Housing Independent Project (BHIP) Catholic Migration Services (CMS)

Brooklyn Legal Services Corporation – A

St. Nicks Alliance – (They was not present at the meeting)

CUFFH

NYC Council Member Reynoso Community Representative Kevin Worthington – Presented the committee with:

- A map of the Rheingold Site
- Grid depicting ownership/land size/affordability

Sanitation Committee Meeting (SAN), Chairperson: Mr. Raul Rubio

The Sanitation Committee meeting will be holding its next Committee meeting on March 28th from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. This meeting is open to the public and will be held at 1420 Bushwick Avenue, room 370 the Community Board #4 office.

All are encouraged to attend and bring any concerns that they have about the sanitation issues in Bushwick. We ask that the residents in Bushwick call 311 if they have noticed places where people have been dumping garbage and where garbage is piling up. You can also report these issue with the Community Board at 718-628-8400.

To help with the situation, Councilman Espinal's office has collaborated with the Department of Sanitation and Community Board 4, and has set up an **E—Waste Event on Saturday, April30th from 10am to 4pm at Irving Square Park** (Halsey and Knickerbocker)

For more information:

Electronic equipment not specifically covered by local or state regulations (such as loose cables, cameras, GPS devises, and microwaves) can be discarded in regular garbage. Items made of, mostly metal or ridge plastic can be recycled with other metal/glass/plastic items.

NYC apartment buildings with 10 or more units can sign up with **e-cycleNYC** for free and convenient recycling collection service. Sign up at:

<http://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/contact/programs/apartment-programs-inquiry.shtml>

Recommendations – 8:34PM:

NYC Department of Transportation: Bushwick Community Bicycle Planning

Members voted: Motion for bicycle lane approved

13 Members -YES

10 Members - NO

2 Members - Abstain

Announcements - 8:41PM:

VISION ZERO PUBLIC WORKSHOP on Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 6:30PM to 8:00PM.

Myrtle – Wyckoff Avenues / Ridgewood Terminal: Intersection and Plaza

NYC DOT is proposing to enhance safety and public space at the intersection of Myrtle Avenue, Wyckoff Avenue and Palmetto Street, where the L train and the M train subways connect to the Ridgewood Bus Terminal. Please join us to share your input about safety and plaza design at this busy intersection where Brooklyn and Queens connect. Tuesday, March 29, 2016 at 6:30PM to 8:00PM. Please arrive by 6:15PM. Location: IS 77, 976 Seneca Avenue, Cafeteria.

Contact: Leroy Branch (Brooklyn) 646-892-1350 or Samantha Dolgoff (Queens) 212-839-2510 at NYC DOT.

Please provide advance notice for accessibility accommodations.

Workshop Goals: Identify Street Safety Concerns, Discuss Street Design Solutions, Gather Community Input and The Next Steps & Project Timeline.

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Location: Bushwick School for Social Justice (Cafeteria) 400 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237. A 5 minute walk from the L and M trains at Myrtle-Wyckoff Station

Contact Leroy Branch (Brooklyn) 646-892-1350 or Samantha Dolgoff (Queens) 212-839-2510 at NYC DOT. Please provide advance notice for accessibility accommodations. This event is not sponsored by the Department of Education

Whose Job is it to Stop Luxury High-Rises?

The Brooklyn Anti-gentrification Network Demands that Community Board are Elected, Not Appointed and that they are not just “Advisory” but have Veto Power!

Community Boards:

- 1) Have a say in land use, but do not have the power to stop developers from building the luxury high rises that is destroying our communities.
- 2) Are appointed by each Borough President and therefore may not have total freedom to represent the community.
- 3) Don't have veto power to stop invasive development.

We want an election process that will give Community Boards independence and freedom to represent us, the residents. We want Community Boars to be more than just “Advisory” and we want them to have Veto Power. We will work to change the New York City Charter so that Community Boards will be more powerful to protect us!!!

Join Us to Demand Elected Community Boards!

Brooklyn Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

March 30, at 12 Noon.

Phone” 646-820-6039, Email: info@BANgentrification.org

The Silent Barn: Welcome to our house! An exhibition of sculpture, photography, collage, drawing. Painting & poetry by Bushwick’s Youth. Special performance by: Sammus Monsters of Brooklyn, March 26th from 2-6PM. The Silent Barn located at 603 Bushwick Avenue. Take J, M, and Z trains. For more information:

bit.ly/CasaExperimental

Senior Citizens Housing Fair

Wednesday, March 23, 2016, 10AM-12PM

Cypress Hills- Fulton Street Senior Center, 3208 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11208 – Between Richmond and Logan Streets. Senator Martin Malave' Dilan is pleased to co-sponsor the Senior Citizens Housing Fair this spring along with the Cypress Hills Local Development Corporations.

Renters and homeowners are welcome, and urged to attend. Government agencies and non-profit housing organizations will be on hand to assist and answer questions on a number of topics, including:

- 1) Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption (SCRIE)
- 2) Senior Home Repair, Energy Retrofit and Real Estate Tax Exemptions
- 3) How to Avoid Scams
- 4) Foreclosure Prevention and Mortgage Refinancing
- 5) HEAP and other Energy/Utility Saving Programs, and
- 6) Benefits Tailored to Senior Citizens

Please contact the Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation at 718-647-8100 with any questions.

Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams and Deputy Brooklyn Borough President Diana Reyna – Welcome you to...Brooklyn's Open House. Meet Your Borough President and His Team, Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 6:00PM to 9:00PM. Brooklyn Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201, www.Brooklyn-usa.org

Join Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams in partnership with: MYA New York City Transit (Reduced-Fair MetroCard Services) – March 30, April 20 & May 25 at 1-3PM and Catholic Migration Services (Citizenship Eligibility Screening) March 30, April 20 and May 25 from 1-5PM, Operation Hope(Free Credit Score & Report), Include NYC (Help for Families of Young People with Disabilities) and NYC Department For the Aging (HHCAP DIVISION) (Health Insurance information, counseling and Assistance) March 30, April 20, May 25, June 15, September 14, October 19 and November 16 from 1-5PM.

Location: Brooklyn Borough Hall – Community Room, 209 Joralemon Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201(First Come, First Served Basis) To RSVP, call 718-802-3700 or email: cassistance@brooklynbp.nyc.gov

Access to Legal Service 2016 – Brooklyn Borough President Eric L. Adams in partnership with Legal Services NYC (Brooklyn Branch) and the Brooklyn Volunteer Lawyers Project, Inc. will offer free legal service on the 2nd Wednesday of every month between 2:00PM and 5:00PM. Foreclosure Intervention/Prevention by Brooklyn Volunteer Lawyer's Project, Inc.

2nd Thursday of every month between 2:00PM and 5:00PM Housing Matters and Elder Law by Legal Services NYC (Brooklyn Branch) At Brooklyn Borough Hall, 209 Joralemon Street, Room G-80, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Please call 718-802-3777 to make an appointment to get free legal assistance. Appointments are required.

Walk-ins will only be seen based on availability. The last appointment for the day is at 4:15PM.

www.Brooklyn-usa.org

Brooklyn Public Library, Washington Irving Branch, 360 Irving Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237: Need Homework Help? We Can Help!!! If you are in grades 1-8 we can help you with your homework! Free!!!

Tuesdays 3PM to 5:30PM

Wyckoff Heights Medical Center: Be intimate with your health, Friendly & Confidential Clinic Services
FREE Rapid HIV testing-results in 30 minutes, STD Testing & Treatment, PEP (Post-exposure Prophylaxis), PrEP (Pre-exposure Prophylaxis), HIV & Hepatitis C Medical Care, Health Counseling & Supportive Services

Call or TEXT to make an appointment: 347-723-6925 or 347-528-5604

You can also WALK-IN Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. 1610 DeKalb Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237. Take the "L" line (DeKalb Station), or the B13/B38 Buses

Final Roll Call: 22 Members