

From Bronx Community Board #10

As we move into 2012, Bronx Community Board #10 will continue to serve as a major provider of governmental services for the areas that we serve. Our office is fully staffed and ready to assist the residents of the communities in the Board's service areas with their needs. Our Board is scheduled to receive several new facilities, which will have a marked affect upon the quality of life in our communities. These include the re-development of the former postal facility on Brush Avenue into a retail outlet, the completion of the Ferry Point Golf Course, the movement of Macy's into the Bay Plaza Shopping Center and the possible development of the former Pelham Bay Landfill, into a public park. Each of these projects brings with it a new set of challenges, which this Board will meet, and work to achieve the best possible outcomes for the communities that we serve.

In speaking about service to the community, Borough President Diaz has announced that applications are available for membership on the Community Boards. There are twelve (12) Community Boards in Bronx County and each board can have up to fifty (50) volunteer members who are drawn from the respective communities represented by each Board. The Community Boards provide a wide range of services, ranging from assistance to individuals who have questions or who are experiencing difficulties with City government, to the rendering of advisory opinions on the manner in which the City allocates its funds, to offering advice on land use matters. Information concerning Community Board membership is available from the Borough President's Office and can be obtained by contacting 718-590-3914 or visiting bronxboropres.nyc.gov. The deadline for the submission of applications is Friday, February 3, 2012.

Bronx County is in need of a full time animal shelter to care for, and to find homes for our animal companions who need them. An organization has come forth to assist this deserving population and it is known as New Beginnings Animal Rescue and it is located at 2515 Newbold Avenue, Bronx, NY 10462. New Beginnings is dedicated to caring for animals, finding homes for homeless animals, providing education on spaying, neutering and ending animal abuse. To adopt an animal, offer support or just say you care, contact them at 347-691-3282.

The New York City Department of Parks and Recreation is offering life guard jobs for the City's beaches and pools. Applicants must be 16 years of age and will receive paid training, if hired. The Department of Parks and Recreation is providing full time seasonal work at its facilities. Information can be obtained by contacting 311 or by visiting www.nyc.gov/parks.

We all know that New York is the cultural capital of the world. However, here in Bronx County we have a number of cultural gems right at your own front door. We have the fabulous Lehman College Center for the Performing Arts on the campus of Lehman College, The Bartow-Pell Mansion and all of its educational and cultural programs, Wave

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Hill and its arts and environmental programs, The Center Stage Playhouse, plus the incomparable Bronx Zoo and Botanical Gardens. In these organizations you have an endless supply of cultural and arts oriented activities. Afterwards, be sure to sample some of the culinary specialties that can only be found in our Borough's restaurants and food stores. Some of which, we are proud to say are in our Board's service areas.

Bronx Community Board #10 is your community's first line of government service. Please feel free to contact us at 718-892-1161, or visit us at 3165 E. Tremont Avenue. You can e-mail us at BX10@CB.NYC.GOV.