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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8 ANNOUNCES OPENING OF MARBLE HILL YOUTHMARKET, KINGEBRIDGE HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER PLAY STREET AND TEEN GREEN MARKET!

BRONX, Bronx Community Board No. 8 (BXCB8) announces the openings of the Marble Hill Youthmarket, Kingsbridge Heights Community Center Play Street and Teen Green Market and the.

The **Marble Hill Youthmarket** is in its sixth successful year. This market was initiated by Bronx Community Board No. 8 in collaboration with community partners Bon Secours NY Health System, Riverdale Neighborhood House and Kingsbridge Heights Community Center (KHCC). This GrowNYC innovative program brings fresh fruits and vegetables into underserved areas. The Youthmarket is located on West 225th Street between Broadway and Exterior Street, from 2PM to 6PM on Thursdays from July 10th through November 20th.

The **Kingsbridge Heights Community Center Play Street** will be located on 3101 Kingsbridge Terrace between Summit Place and Perot Street on Fridays in July and August from 10AM to 2PM. The street will be closed to vehicular traffic and will host lots of children's healthy activities. Play streets, a citywide program led by the New York City Departments of Health & Mental Hygiene and Transportation, not only helps to reduce obesity, but also strengthens relationships between local organizations and the families that they serve. The **KHCC Teen Green Market**, in the same location, brings fresh fruits and vegetables to the Kingsbridge Heights area. The market will operate every Friday from July 11th through September 5th, 10AM to 5PM. It is sponsored by Bronx Community Board No. 8 and Kingsbridge Heights Community Center.

Bronx Community Board 8 has worked closely with community partners to provide easy access to good, healthy, fresh food in the neighborhoods they serve. The markets will have a positive health benefit for so many in the community. There are a total of four youth run farmers markets strategically located throughout the community board area. The markets will employ high school students recruited from the community district to operate the youth run markets and will accept cash, EBT, WIC and Senior *Farmers' Market Nutrition Program* checks.

There are several youth run markets in the board area:

- 1. **Marble Hill Youthmarket -** West 225th Street between Broadway and Exterior Street, Thursdays, 2PM to 6PM, July 10th through November 20th.
- KHCC Teen Green Market Play Street & Kingsbridge Terrace between Perot Street and Summit Place, Fridays, July 11th through September 5th, 10AM to 5PM. Coincides with the KHCC Play Street from 10AM to 2PM on Fridays in July and August.
- 3. **Riverdale Youthmarket –** Riverdale Neighborhood House at 5521 Mosholu Avenue, corner of West 256th Street, Thursdays, 3PM to 7PM, July 10th through November 20th.
- 4. FVCP Youth Run Farm Stand In the train park at the intersection of Orloff Avenue and Gale Place, Wednesdays from 3PM to 7PM, July 9th through September 24th. Supported by Friends of Van Cortlandt Park.

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