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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF THE 2013 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

Bronx, New York, May 3, 2013 – Bronx Community Board No. 8 is pleased to announce the winners of the Bronx Community Board No. 8 **2013 Community Service Awards**. Presentation of the awards will take place at the community board meeting on May 13, 2013, at the Conservative Synagogue, 475 Henry Hudson Parkway, at 7:30 PM. The Community Service Award was established to acknowledge the many volunteer efforts of groups and individuals within our community. It is the Board's belief that by recognizing our committed community volunteers, we can in some small way reward those most deserving and inspire others to follow their example.

This year's honorees are:

MANHATTAN COLLEGE'S GREEN CLUB: The Green Club is a student-run organization that seeks to educate members about environmental issues and topics of conservation such as climate change, the world water crisis, the Keystone Pipeline and hydraulic fracturing, as well as to promote activities such as urban gardening, nature hikes and do-it-yourself projects. It brings students and faculty together to discuss ecological issues, provide volunteers for "green" campus initiatives and collaborate with community sustainability projects. Its accomplishments include construction of a 260-square foot garden on top of the College's Broadway parking garage, the first annual Riverdale Community Clean Up where 15 bags of garbage were collected from Brust Park and surrounding streets. The second Annual Riverdale Clean Up will occur this spring. The Green Club also works in collaboration with the Friends of Van Cortlandt Park on the removal of several invasive species.

FIVE STUDENTS AT MARBLE HILL SCHOOL FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE: Marble Hill School for International Studies is a small college preparatory school for students interested in foreign languages and international studies. All eleventh and twelfth grade students are expected to provide non-paid community service in community agencies. These five students have performed exemplary voluntary community service tasks at local community agencies going above and beyond in their contributions to the school and communities throughout the Bronx especially in the Bronx Community Board 8 area. The students are: Magill Charlery, Brian Francis DeGuzman, Michael Murillo, Fathima Nazeer and Michelle Pantaleon. Their contributions of many hours of dedicated volunteering includes peer tutoring, teacher and lab assistance, projects with disabled youth, tutoring young children in after-school programs as well as helping and working with the elderly in local nursing homes including participating in the NY Neediest Cases Fund: Witnessing History project interviewing elderly and writing a published biography.

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You can also visit the Bronx Community Board No. 8 website that announces the Community Service Awards winners at <http://www.nyc.gov/bronxcb8>.

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