

HEAT BEAT

HYDRANT EDUCATION ACTION TEAM

National Night Out Connects Community

On Tuesday, August 6, the Community Board 4 HEAT team staffed a table at *National Night Out*, an event focusing on community safety for families and youth. Sponsored by the 44th Police Precinct, the event featured live entertainment, health screenings, and free food for the community. The team had giveaways, played HEAT Jeopardy with community residents, and provided information on fire hydrant safety. The Bronx's very own Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. stopped by and played a round of HEAT Jeopardy.

New York's Finest, with HEAT's Finest!



"As a young child, playing in the hydrants was almost considered a fun activity, but as an adult I see the effect it has on neighbors and business owners, and so it makes me appreciate the work the HEAT program is doing in the Bronx community."
- Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr.



The HEAT members spoke to police officers from the 34th Precinct about educating people on fire hydrant safety. The officers emphasized their commitment to enforcing HEAT's mission. Thank you to our wonderful partners in law enforcement!



Christina Reyes, a HEAT team member for Community Board 12, is shown (above) speaking to a young woman at the 33rd Precinct's National Night Out event about HEAT's work in the community.

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FDNY at the National Night Out

The Community Board 12B HEAT Team tabled at the *National Night Out* on Tuesday at the 33rd Police Precinct. The team met firefighter Thomas Bala, who has been a firefighter for 32 years. He said that illegally opened fire hydrants pose huge challenges to him and other firefighters because they lower water availability when fighting fires. He expressed his support of HEAT's important work.



Upcoming Events

August 13: Riverstone Senior Life Services

Location: 99 Fort Washington Avenue

Time: 12:30PM

Cedar Playground

Location: West 179th Street, Cedar & Sedgwick Avenues

Time: 10:00AM

August 14: Gorman Park

Location: 4421 Broadway

Time: 10:00AM

August 15: Morton Playground

Location: 1837 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd

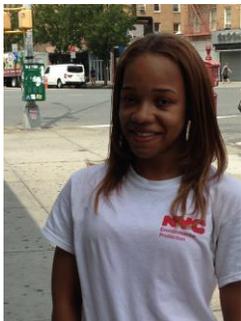
Time: 11:00AM

August 16: Bennet Park

Location: 520 Fort Washington Avenue

Time: 10:30AM

Meet Our HEAT Elites!



Keisha Martin, CB 4

"I've been part of HEAT for two summers and each summer brings a new and exciting experience. I'm surprised at how frequently residents approach me telling me how positive of an impact our team has on the community. It makes me proud to say that I am part of a great team and that the work we do really does make a difference."



Eliezer Tolentino, CB 12A

"I am amazed at how effective the program is. People really listened to us and cared and the results are showing. We revisited opened fire hydrants that are now closed after we spoke to residents. I learned how much just one fire hydrant can positively or negatively impact a neighborhood. I'm proud to be making a real difference this summer."

Did You Know?

"New York City drinking water is world-renowned for its quality. Each day, more than 1 billion gallons of fresh, clean water is delivered from large upstate reservoirs—some more than 125 miles from the City—to the taps of nine million customers throughout New York state."

- NYC Department of Environmental Protection



The Hydrant Education Action Team (HEAT) is jointly sponsored by:

The purpose of HEAT is to educate community residents and stakeholders about the problems surrounding the illegal use of fire hydrants.

