

October, 2010 District Manager's Report

Highlights from the DSC Meeting held 10/13/10:

FDNY:

Reported Carbon Monoxide (CO) is a colorless, odorless, tasteless and toxic gas. Nicked named "the silent killer", carbon monoxide is totally undetectable by human senses. Hundreds of people are killed in their home each year by accidental carbon monoxide poisoning the thousands are permanently injured.

People are at an increased risk of carbon monoxide poisoning during the winter months. Well-insulated, airtight homes (primarily newer construction) and malfunctioning heating equipment can produce dangerously high and potentially deadly concentrations of CO. New York City Law requires that every dwelling unit, including one and two family homes and multiple dwellings be equipped with Carbon Monoxide detector alarms.

26th Pct. (see stats):

Experiencing a burglary pattern dating back to July with the most recent being 9/13/10; a prime suspect has been apprehended.

30th Pct. (see stats):

Capt. Stephens reported that he has been with the 30th Pct. for approximately 22 days, and he is focusing on robberies in the district, it appears to be a pattern of reported robberies between the hours of 6p.m. – 2a.m., targeting victims for I phones and other high-end electronic equipment.

PSA-6:

Reported a grand larceny motorcycle theft, suspect was caught on the Viper camera; Animal cruelty at 3150 Broadway suspect was kicking and hitting dog scene was caught on Viper Cam, perp was apprehended and also wanted by Manhattan So. Narcotics.

Holiday Food Drive started October 1st and runs through December 15th, PSA6 is accepting can goods at 2770 8th Ave. @148th Street, for further info. contact PSA-6 Community Affairs Unit at (212) 694-7723 or via email at john.ramos@nypd.org.

NYCHA and FFAWN (Teen Girls' Initiative), Mary J. Blige, and the Steve Stoute Foundation have teamed together to bring their acclaimed "3E" – Empowerment through Education and Encouragement – Junior Wings program to girls and teens of the NYCHA developments. For 75 years, the Authority has provided affordable, quality housing to low and moderate income New York families, while also offering a strong network of social and community development services for the advancement of Women. Applications are being accepted for girls and teens, ages 12 to 15, who live in public housing. The teen Girls' initiative will kick off in Manhattan and the Bronx with 100 women. For more information, please visit: www.nyc.gov/nychagirlsinitiative or call Shakima Ivory @ (212) 306-3921.

DOT – resurfacing has begun on Broadway (145th – 155th) streets; Speed Bump has been approved for 113th Street and Morningside drive, awaiting approval from Community Board

Scott Stringer’s Office reported - After receiving numerous constituent complaints from motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists, Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer released an unprecedented survey of bike lane safety in Manhattan. The verdict was clear: while bike lanes bring a tremendous benefit to New York City, misuse by all parties—motorists, pedestrians and cyclists—undermines their success. Data was collected at eleven Manhattan bike lanes during recent morning and evening rush hours, and the most common infractions in bike lanes included: motor vehicle blockage, pedestrian use and cyclists going the wrong direction.

The Borough President’s survey found a range of bike lane abuses including:

- Unmarked Police vehicles in apparent non-emergency situations cutting through protected bike lanes, to circumvent traffic stopped by a red light.
- Motor vehicle encroachment and speeding through bike lanes. The bike lane at 145th and St. Nicholas Avenue was the most encroached, with 117 infractions surveyed.
- A school bus idling in a bike lane at 116th and 1st Avenue for 7 minutes
- At Grand Street and Bowery, wrong way bicycle traffic in the bike lane outpaced the correct use of the bike lane for a full hour.
- Pedestrian encroachment on bike lanes in the Herald Square area was rampant, with over 240 occurrences recorded during a two-hour period. Additionally, an observer noted a collision between a cyclist and a pedestrian in the bike line at this location.

Data was compiled during morning and evening rush hours between October 5 and October 7 at eleven bike lane locations, including: Centre Street and Chambers Street; Grand Street and Bowery; St. Marks Place and Second Avenue; 14th Street and First Avenue; 23rd Street and Eighth Avenue; 36th Street and Broadway; 77th Street and First Avenue; 94th Street and Columbus Avenue; 115th Street and Fredrick Douglas Boulevard; 116th Street and First Avenue; and 145th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue.

Over the course of a three day observation period, staff from the Borough President’s office observed over 1,700 infractions at these locations. **The highest infraction frequencies by location and the total number of infractions were:**

- Bike Lane Blockages – 117 infractions at 145th Street & St. Nicholas Avenue; 353 total infractions
- Pedestrian in bike lane – 240 infractions at 36th Street & Broadway; 741 total infractions
- Cyclist going wrong way in bike lane – 53 infractions at Grand Street & Bowery; 242 total infractions

- Cyclist running a red light – 100 infractions at Centre Street & Chambers Street; 237 total infractions
- Dooring (car doors opening as a cyclist approaches) – 19 infractions at St. Marks Place & Second Avenue; 77 total infractions
- Cyclist riding on sidewalk – 11 infractions at 94th Street & Columbus Avenue (tied with Centre & Chambers); 42 total infractions
- Cyclist riding wrong way on the street – 27 infractions at 77th Street & First Avenue; 89 total infractions

Bank on Manhattan is a partnership of retail banks, community groups, regulatory agencies, and the Office of Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer, designed to help Manhattan's unbanked families open basic checking accounts. In addition to the checking account, Bank On Manhattan will offer a Financial Education Mini Grant program managed by the Coalition for Debtor Education. For organizations wishing to offer financial education to their clients, Bank on Manhattan will provide a mini-grant of up to \$100 to cover the associated operational costs and a free financial trainer to lead the workshop on-site at the grant recipient's facilities. For further info please contact BankonManhattan at 877-646-2BANK, or visit their website at www.bankonmanhattan.com.

The Heritage Rose District of NYC – A project of Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer and the Heritage Rose Foundation celebrates the first anniversary of the "Heritage Rose District" on October 23, 2010 10a.m. -2p.m.; Fall plantings will take place at Riverside Valley Community Garden, 138th St. and 12th Ave.; and Edgecombe House, 345 Edgecombe Ave. @150th Street (see flyer)

DA's Office (See Stats)

Manhattan District Attorney Cy Vance announced the formation of the Special Victims Bureau, which will coordinate and expand upon the work of the Sex Crimes Unit, Elder Abuse Unit, Family Violence, and Child Abuse Unit to more clearly delineate their separate functions. Additional news is available at www.manhattanda.org

District Attorney Vance warns individuals to be on high alert for email scams, it has been reported that Cybercrime and Identity Theft has been on the rise and involved unlawfully accessed email accounts from web-based providers. If you suspect that your email account has been compromised, or you have been the victim of any other type of email fraud or scam, please contact the internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3), a centralized, national complaint reporting database for internet – related crimes, additional information on how to contact (IC3) can be obtained at www.manhattanda.org.

Announcements:

PSA-6 will provide senior citizens a safer environment during the holidays. The Community Affairs Unit will provide Shopping Escorts to local supermarkets in an effort to reduce robberies. The Shopping Program is available Monday thru Friday

from 10a.m. to 2 p.m. To schedule a trip please call the Community Affairs Unit at (212) 694-7723/24 or email at john.ramos@nypd.org

PSA-6 21st Annual NY Cares Coat Drive will run from October 1 – December 31, coats collected will be distributed to struggling men, women, and children at New York City homeless shelters, community organizations, churches, and agencies serving seniors. All donations are tax deductible. You may drop off coats in good condition at any of the Police Department's 76 Precincts or Housing Police Service Areas.

Alexander Hamilton and the National Triumph of New York City – A Lecture by Warren Shaw, Join historian Warren Shaw for a discussion of New York City's formative influence on the nation, through Alexander Hamilton; on Thursday, October 28th, @7p.m., at the J Hood Wright Recreation Center, 351 Fort Washington Avenue and 174th Street. To RSVP, please call (212) 408-0262 or email artsculturefun@parks.nyc.gov.

2nd Annual Latino Family Health Awareness Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 16th, 12 p.m. – 4p.m. at the Hamilton Grange Library, 503 W. 145th Street (bet. B'way & Amst. Ave.) for further info. please call (212) 749-3656 Ext 3106.

The Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, Jr., Manhattan District Attorney in collaboration with Community Board No. 9 cordially invites you to the West Harlem Town Hall – Thursday, November 4th, 6:30 p.m. – 8:30p.m., at the Manhattanville Community Center, 530 West 133rd Street. Come out and Meet your District Attorney and learn how the DA's Office can help the West Harlem Community. For further info. please contact Joselinne Minaya at the Community Affair Unit: (212) 335-9082 (Please share the attached flyer with your family, friends and neighbors).

For a limited time, the transit Amnesty Program allows you to pay original fines, minus penalties and interest. The program forgives late penalties and interest ONLY, not the Fine itself. Starting from October 1st thru and including October 31st an Amnesty Request Form must be completed and returned via fax, mail, or e-mail. Forms are available on line @ www.mta.info/nyet/rules or call 347-643-5870 for further info.

Submitted by,



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District Manager

10/21/10



CompStat

Precinct 026

Report covering the period 9/27/2010 through 10/3/2010

Crime Complaints

	Week to Date			28 Day			Year to Date			2 Year	9 Year	17 Year
	2010	2009	% Chg	2010	2009	% Chg	2010	2009	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
Murder	0	0	****	0	0	****	2	2	0.0%	-33.3%	100.0%	-77.8%
Rape	0	0	****	1	0	****	11	8	37.5%	-8.3%	57.1%	-50.0%
Robbery	3	4	-25.0%	6	17	-64.7%	124	149	-16.8%	-15.1%	-15.1%	-78.9%
Fel. Assault	2	1	100.0%	3	3	0.0%	83	62	33.9%	29.7%	-19.4%	-62.6%
Burglary	0	1	-100.0%	4	7	-42.9%	57	44	29.5%	-9.5%	-41.8%	-87.7%
Gr. Larceny	5	5	0.0%	18	18	0.0%	199	197	1.0%	-19.8%	-17.4%	-61.1%
G.L.A.	0	0	****	4	1	300.0%	20	28	-28.6%	-31.0%	-77.8%	-93.1%
Total	10	11	-9.1%	36	46	-21.7%	496	490	1.2%	-12.2%	-27.7%	-76.5%
PSB	10	10	0.0%	34	43	-20.9%	416	408	2.0%	-8.0%	-28.0%	-80.3%
Transit	0	1	-100.0%	1	2	-50.0%	22	12	83.3%	-31.2%	-43.6%	****
Housing	0	0	****	1	1	0.0%	58	70	-17.1%	-28.4%	-15.9%	****
Sht. Vic.	0	0	****	0	0	****	6	4	50.0%	50.0%	0.0%	-76.0%
Sht. Inc.	0	0	****	0	0	****	6	4	50.0%	100.0%	20.0%	-71.4%
Rape 1	0	0	****	1	0	****	10	7	42.9%	25.0%	66.7%	-44.4%

Arrests*

	57	56	1.8%	254	233	9.0%	2,604	2,627	-0.9%	7.2%	24.8%	64.9%
All Arrests	57	56	1.8%	254	233	9.0%	2,604	2,627	-0.9%	7.2%	24.8%	64.9%
Murder	0	0	****	0	0	****	1	4	-75.0%	-66.7%	0.0%	-75.0%
Rape	0	0	****	0	0	****	4	0	****	33.3%	-92.0%	-50.0%
Robbery	0	0	****	1	2	-50.0%	71	88	-19.3%	-20.2%	2.9%	-57.2%
Fel. Assault	1	1	0.0%	3	4	-25.0%	79	62	27.4%	43.6%	-33.1%	-30.1%
Burglary	0	1	-100.0%	0	5	-100.0%	23	18	27.8%	21.1%	-28.1%	-62.9%
Gr. Larceny	2	0	****	2	5	-60.0%	34	49	-30.6%	-15.0%	-41.4%	36.0%
G.L.A.	0	0	****	0	0	****	1	1	0.0%	-50.0%	-94.1%	-92.3%
Total	3	2	50.0%	6	16	-62.5%	213	222	-4.1%	0.9%	-38.3%	-45.5%
GunRecovered	0	0	****	1	0	****	10	5	100.0%	-52.4%	-33.3%	-65.5%
Gun-Charged	1	0	****	3	0	****	27	16	68.8%	0.0%	****	****
Narcotics	10	6	66.7%	28	23	21.7%	283	328	-13.7%	-11.6%	-3.1%	-16.3%
DWI	1	0	****	6	4	50.0%	55	83	-33.7%	-14.1%	96.4%	****
VTL 511	6	12	-50.0%	23	29	-20.7%	230	303	-24.1%	-28.6%	14.4%	****
PSB	25	31	-19.4%	104	111	-6.3%	958	1,127	-15.0%	-13.5%	1.8%	5.9%
OCCB	6	2	200.0%	22	11	100.0%	197	166	18.7%	30.5%	34.0%	111.8%
OCCB - Narc	6	2	200.0%	19	11	72.7%	166	155	7.1%	31.7%	****	****
OCCB - Gang	0	0	****	0	0	****	8	8	0.0%	-55.6%	****	****
Det. Bureau	2	1	100.0%	13	18	-27.8%	185	225	-17.8%	2.2%	-56.0%	242.6%
Transit	17	15	13.3%	85	68	25.0%	825	606	36.1%	31.6%	194.6%	275.0%
Housing	7	7	0.0%	26	23	13.0%	397	456	-12.9%	28.9%	68.9%	38.3%

Summons Activity / Reports

Parking	302	337	10.4%	1,231	1,467	-16.1%	13,387	14,552	-8.0%	-14.7%	-50.7%	****
Moving	153	228	-32.9%	686	940	-27.0%	6,936	7,943	-12.7%	-17.1%	3.3%	****
Criminal	42	82	-48.8%	214	292	-26.7%	2,793	2,886	-3.2%	2.6%	****	****



CompStat

Precinct 030

Report covering the period 10/4/2010 through 10/10/2010

Crime Complaints

	Week to Date			28 Day			Year to Date			2 Year	9 Year	17 Year
	2010	2009	% Chg	2010	2009	% Chg	2010	2009	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg	% Chg
Murder	0	0	***	1	0	***	5	1	400.0%	66.7%	-44.4%	-90.0%
Rape	1	0	***	1	2	-50.0%	23	15	53.3%	130.0%	15.0%	-42.5%
Robbery	9	1	800.0%	28	10	180.0%	182	163	11.7%	-17.6%	-19.5%	-66.5%
Fel. Assault	3	2	50.0%	7	14	-50.0%	146	158	-7.6%	5.8%	-51.0%	-73.5%
Burglary	1	2	-50.0%	6	7	-14.3%	77	75	2.7%	-22.2%	-53.0%	-87.2%
Gr. Larceny	3	1	200.0%	11	11	0.0%	112	132	-15.2%	-31.7%	-2.6%	-58.5%
G.L.A.	0	3	-100.0%	4	6	-33.3%	41	38	7.9%	-2.4%	-53.4%	-83.5%
Total	17	9	88.9%	58	50	16.0%	586	582	0.7%	-13.4%	-36.3%	-74.6%
PSB	16	9	77.8%	56	50	12.0%	571	567	0.7%	-12.8%	-35.6%	-75.2%
Transit	1	0	***	2	0	***	10	11	-9.1%	-47.4%	-58.3%	***
Housing	0	0	***	0	0	***	5	4	25.0%	66.7%	-50.0%	***
Sht. Vic.	0	0	***	0	1	-100.0%	12	6	100.0%	20.0%	-36.8%	-82.9%
Sht. Inc.	0	0	***	0	1	-100.0%	10	6	66.7%	11.1%	-44.4%	-85.3%
Rape 1	0	0	***	0	2	-100.0%	18	14	28.6%	157.1%	28.6%	-48.6%

Arrests*

	107	137	-21.9%	321	524	-38.7%	3,373	4,484	-24.8%	-10.5%	-63.3%	1.2%
All Arrests												
Murder	0	0	***	0	0	***	4	2	100.0%	0.0%	-60.0%	-80.0%
Rape	0	0	***	0	1	-100.0%	9	4	125.0%	50.0%	-10.0%	-18.2%
Robbery	4	1	300.0%	9	11	-18.2%	71	111	-36.0%	-37.7%	-37.2%	-61.8%
Fel. Assault	5	2	150.0%	11	11	0.0%	108	133	-18.8%	-7.7%	-47.1%	-56.3%
Burglary	2	0	***	3	2	50.0%	17	20	-15.0%	-34.6%	-67.9%	-80.5%
Gr. Larceny	2	0	***	2	5	-60.0%	38	38	0.0%	-42.4%	-26.9%	81.0%
G.L.A.	0	0	***	0	0	***	3	3	0.0%	0.0%	-89.3%	-94.8%
Total	13	3	333.3%	25	30	-16.7%	250	311	-19.6%	-25.6%	-46.8%	-60.3%
GunRecovered	1	0	***	1	0	***	25	27	-7.4%	13.6%	-13.8%	-87.9%
Gun-Charged	2	0	***	5	1	400.0%	49	44	11.4%	28.9%	***	***
Narcotics	9	13	-30.8%	34	96	-64.6%	584	940	-37.9%	-31.8%	-86.3%	-51.3%
DWI	10	0	***	14	5	180.0%	80	130	-38.5%	-14.9%	21.2%	***
VTL 511	5	17	-70.6%	28	65	-56.9%	318	540	-41.1%	-15.0%	-42.3%	***
PSB	72	108	-33.3%	214	391	-45.3%	2,169	2,946	-26.4%	-2.1%	-22.5%	32.3%
OCCB	15	10	50.0%	33	41	-19.5%	529	569	-7.0%	-19.7%	-89.9%	-11.4%
OCCB - Narc	11	10	10.0%	23	38	-39.5%	437	491	-11.0%	-21.3%	***	***
OCCB - Gang	1	0	***	1	2	-50.0%	41	38	7.9%	-39.7%	***	***
Det. Bureau	9	4	125.0%	30	36	-16.7%	309	429	-28.0%	-16.0%	-23.9%	347.8%
Transit	11	15	-26.7%	42	54	-22.2%	332	488	-32.0%	-27.2%	-31.8%	-52.2%
Housing	0	0	***	1	0	***	8	14	-42.9%	33.3%	-87.9%	-81.8%

Summons Activity / Reports

Parking	414	441	-6.1%	1,612	1,733	-7.0%	18,265	17,096	6.8%	38.4%	-57.9%	***
Moving	212	103	105.8%	1,205	845	42.6%	10,093	8,811	14.5%	40.1%	7.0%	***
Criminal	44	254	-82.7%	269	1,065	-74.7%	3,730	6,744	-44.7%	10.7%	***	***

ARRESTS 9/01/10 - 9/30/10	TOTAL	26th Pct.	30th Pct.
TRESPASS ARRESTS(PL14015)	9	8	1
Pending: Misdemeanor	3	2	1
Sentenced:	7	7	0
Jail Only	3	3	0
CD/Com Svce	1	1	0
Time Served	3	3	0
DRUG ARRESTS (PL220)	69	19	50
Pending: Felony	16	8	8
Misdemeanor	17	1	16
of those pending:			
Indictments	8	5	3
Bench Warrants	0	0	0
Sentenced:	25	8	17
Jail Only	13	5	8
CD/Com Svce	4	0	4
CD/Treat Prog	2	1	1
Time Served	5	2	3
Day Custody Program	1	0	1
MARIJUANA ARRESTS (PL221)	61	15	46
Pending: Misdemeanor	36	8	28
Sentenced:	16	6	10
Jail Only	6	2	4
CD/Com Svce	4	0	4
Time Served	5	3	2
CD & Fine or Jail	1	1	0
ROBBERY ARRESTS (PL160)	5	1	4
Pending: Felony	4	0	4
of those pending:			
Indictments	2	0	2
Sentenced:	1	1	0
Jail Only	1	1	0
GR. LARCENY ARR. (PL 155)	32	21	11
Pending: Felony	1	0	1
Misdemeanor	12	5	7
of those pending:			
Indictments	1	0	1
Sentenced:	16	14	2
Jail Only	11	10	1
CD/Com Svce	1	1	0
Time Served	2	1	1
Day Custody Program	2	2	0
CRIMINAL POS. WEAPON (PL 265)	19	6	13
Pending: Felony	6	2	4
Misdemeanor	7	4	3

of those pending:			
Indictments	5	1	4
Sentenced:	4	0	4
Jail Only	1	0	1
CD/Com Svce	2	0	2
Time Served	1	0	1
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	55	17	38
Pending: Felony	12	3	9
Misdemeanor	36	11	25
Sentenced:	3	1	2
Jail Only	2	0	2
Conditional Discharge	1	1	0

		<u>26th Pct.</u>	<u>30th Pct.</u>
Total Arrests:	250	87	163
Total Evicts & Vacates: (6/10/88-9/30/10)	1761	103	1657
Total Evicts & Vacates: (9/01/10-9/30/10)	1	0	1
Total Trespass Bldgs:	406	77	329



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DISTRICT ATTORNEY

DISTRICT ATTORNEY - NEW YORK COUNTY

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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**DISTRICT ATTORNEY VANCE ANNOUNCES FORMATION OF
SPECIAL VICTIMS BUREAU**

Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance, Jr., today announced the formation of the Special Victims Bureau, which will coordinate and expand upon the work of the Sex Crimes Unit, the Elder Abuse Unit, and the Family Violence and Child Abuse Bureau, the last of which will be split into the Domestic Violence Unit and the Child Abuse Unit to more clearly delineate their separate functions. District Attorney Vance appointed Assistant District Attorney Audrey Moore as Chief of the Special Victims Bureau. ADA Moore currently serves as co-Chief of the Family Violence and Child Abuse Bureau, and will continue to act as Chief of the Domestic Violence Unit.

"The cases that will fall under the purview of the Special Victims Bureau are highly sensitive and involve some of our most vulnerable victims," said District Attorney Vance. "The consolidation of our resources in one bureau will ensure that the Office better supports the victims whose lives are often upended due to the nature of these types of crimes. Assistant District Attorney Moore has dedicated her entire career to serving these victims, and I am pleased that she will be overseeing this important new department."

District Attorney Vance also announced his commitment to constructing a Special Victims Center within the District Attorney's Office's 80 Centre Street facilities. This center will co-locate the leadership of the Special Victims Bureau, the leadership of the individual Units, and the ADAs assigned to prosecute Child Abuse cases. In addition to having a dedicated space that will cater to the needs of victims, the center will have interview rooms and counseling services provided by the Witness Aid Services Unit. The Special Victims Center will also work with partners in social services and victim advocacy group to bring order and stability to victims' lives.

Each unit within the Special Victims Bureau will retain its unique and highly specialized focus, while increasing the ability to share

information, coordinate training, access investigative resources, and match victims with the appropriate counseling and social services. Each unit will similarly retain the capacity to investigate matters referred to it, with the assistance of specially designated Assistant District Attorneys and investigators. Additionally, the collaboration of the various disciplines within the Special Victims Bureau will enable the District Attorney's Office to investigate and prosecute crimes that transcend traditional categories, such as human trafficking and child pornography.

The Special Victims Bureau will also pursue legislative reform. One its top legislative priorities will be to boost the ability of prosecutors to adequately charge domestic violence crimes through the designation of Aggravated Domestic Violence, a class E felony. This would be applied to defendants who commit two or more domestic violence misdemeanors within a five-year period. Domestic violence misdemeanors are the most common matters in the District Attorney's Office's Domestic Violence unit; from 2004 to 2009 in New York County alone, 622 individuals were convicted of two or more domestic violence offenses. Of those 622 defendants, 221 - or 36 percent - had at least one case with a felony-level assault charge.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY VANCE WARNS INDIVIDUALS TO BE ON HIGH ALERT FOR EMAIL SCAMS

The New York County District Attorney's Office's Cybercrime and Identity Theft Bureau has been alerted to an increase in scams involving unlawfully accessed email accounts from web-based email providers.

Potential victims report receiving an urgent email from an account known to them. The email includes an urgent plea for money, recounting a false claim that the email sender was traveling abroad, typically in London, and was mugged or robbed of all cash and property. The email further requests that funds to be wired via Western Union to help cover expenses during the interim period, with a promise to repay the loan. The same email is sent to nearly every email address listed in the sender's address book.

This scam relies on the fact the potential victim will act swiftly because of the urgency of the message coming from a trusted source – often the account of a friend, relative, or colleague. This scam has multiple victims – the people who receive this email as well as the sender, whose email account is compromised and used for the scam. The perpetrators often gain unauthorized access to the email account used for the scam through an earlier "phishing" (identity theft) scam, whereby the email account holder is tricked into revealing his or her password information.

An email sent on April 23, 2010, which was referred to the Manhattan District Attorney's Office, is indicative of the emails that are included in this type of scam. It is signed with the first name of the email account holder, and reads:

My predicament
From: [redacted] <[redacted]>
To: undisclosed-recipients

Friday, April 23, 2010 8:49 AM

I am caught up in a real mess and i need your help. I'm sorry i didn't inform you about my trip ,I had a trip to the London,United Kingdom ,and a bizare thing happened to me.I was mugged at gun point last night, the muggers carted away with all my belongings excluded my passport,Cell,c-card,cash and some important documents are all gone. I was able to make contact with the Uk Police and i was directed to the Embassy, but they seems to be taking things too slow. So i have limited access to emails for now, please i need you to lend me some money so i can make arrangements and return back I am full of panic now,the police only asked me to write a statement about the incident and directed me to the embassy,i have spoken to the embassy here but they are not responding to the matter effectively, I will return the money back to you as soon as i get home. I am so confused right now.i wasn't injured because I complied immediately.

I need your help so urgently... My flight leaves pretty soon but i am having problems sorting out the hotel bills and also need getting my ticket straightened out. I need your help. I need a quick loan to get things fixed out here. I promise to refund as soon as i get back home.. please reply asap. so i can tell what to do and how to get the money to me..

Hope to read from you soon..

[redacted]

Because the perpetrators of this scam have access to all of the saved emails in the compromised email accounts, the perpetrator may learn a significant amount of personal information about the email account holders and be able to convince skeptical recipients of these emails that the perpetrator is, in fact, the actual friend, relative, or colleague associated with the email account.

Some recipients of these emails have reported that they have subsequently received additional emails requesting money from different email accounts in continuing efforts by the perpetrators to commit more fraud. Usually the email addresses are only slightly changed by one letter or one number.

These types of scams attempt to take advantage of the kindness of individuals, as well as the fact that the emails come from what appear to be "trusted" email accounts, as opposed to from strangers.

Although ongoing investigations into these and similar scams indicate that many of these perpetrators are based overseas and outside the reach of local law enforcement, District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance, Jr. suggests some tips to avoid becoming a victim of this and similar email schemes:

- Avoid immediately responding to information provided via email until you have first verified the source. Confirm the information contained in an email by speaking directly with the parties in question.
- Be skeptical of any request for money made via email, particularly if accompanied by claims of urgency or necessity.
- Do not respond to unsolicited email such as "spam," since these emails may potentially contain software that is harmful to your computer and which may be designed to compromise your passwords and other personal identifying information.
- Be extremely cautious about sending any personal identifying information, banking information, or any other sensitive information in response to email requests. Unless you are expecting such a request, or you have initiated them yourself, in most instances you should not be sending this information to anybody.
- Be cautious about any emails which appear to come from financial institutions. Many scams involve emails that appear to be legitimate bank communications and even provide links to the financial institution's web site. These links may look exactly like the actual bank's web site, but in reality, may be capturing the login and password information that you provide.

If you suspect that your email account has been compromised, or you have been the victim of any other type of email fraud or scam, please contact the Internet Crime Complaint Center ("IC3"), a centralized, national complaint reporting database for Internet-related crimes. The IC3 is a partnership between the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the National White Collar Crime Center, and the Bureau of Justice Assistance.

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New York County's District Attorney
In Collaboration with
Community Board #9

Cordially Invite You to His
WEST HARLEM TOWN HALL

Thursday, November 4th, 2010
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

At
Manhattanville Community Center
530 West 133rd Street
New York, N.Y. 10027

**Come Meet Your District Attorney and
Learn How the District Attorney's Office can help
the West Harlem community.**

Light refreshments will be served

For more information contact Joselinne Minaya at the Community Affairs Unit: 212.335.9082
Visit our Website www.manhattanda.org



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Cordialmente Les Invita A Su Primera Reunion En La
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jueves, 4 de noviembre, 2010

6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

En El

**Manhattanville Community Center
530 oeste de la calle 133
Nueva York, N.Y. 10027**

**Venga y conozca a su Fiscal y informese como la
oficina del Fiscal puede ayudar a la comunidad de
West Harlem.**

Se servirán refrigerios ligeros

Para mas información favor de comunicarse con Joselinne Minaya, La Unidad de Asuntos Comunitarios
Oficina Del Fiscal: 212.335.9082

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2nd Annual Latino Family Health Awareness Day



Saturday

October 16, 2010

12:00 pm-4:00 pm

"Unidos Podemos"



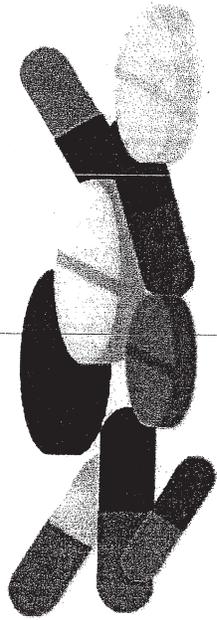
Together We Can



New York Public Library
(Between Broadway & Amsterdam Ave)
New York, NY 10031

Hamilton Grange Library
503 West 145th Street

FREE HEALTH SCREENINGS & TESTING

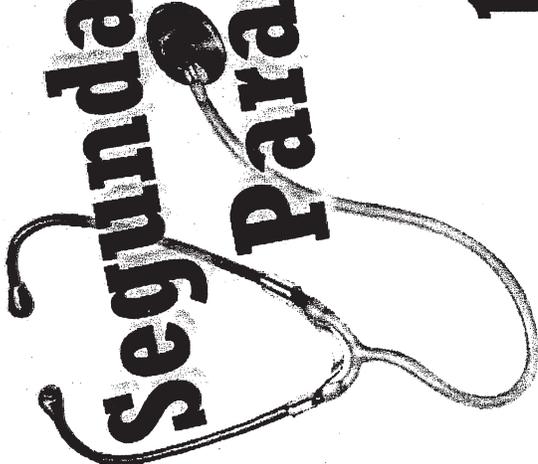


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16 de Octubre 2010
12:00 pm-4:00 pm

"Unidos Podemos"



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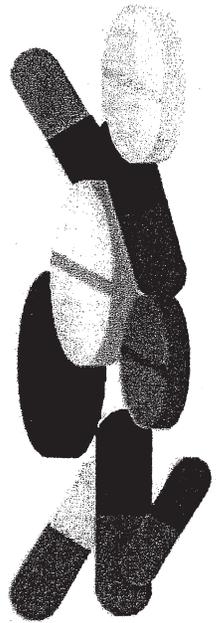
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**21st ANNUAL NY CARES
COAT DRIVE**

OCTOBER 1 - DECEMBER 31



Coats collected will be distributed to struggling men, women, and children at New York City homeless shelters, community organizations, churches, and agencies serving seniors. The New York Cares Coat Drive is a lifeline for New York's neediest citizens during the cold winter months.

All donations are tax deductible.

You may drop off coats in good condition at OR any of the Police Department's 76 precincts or Housing Police Service Areas.

POLICE SERVICE AREA 6

2770 8TH AVENUE @ 148 STREET

NEW YORK, N.Y. 10039

TEL. 212.694.7723

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SENIOR CITIZEN SHOPPING PROGRAM



In order to provide senior citizens a safer environment during the holidays. The PSA6 Community Affairs Unit will provide Shopping escorts to local supermarkets in an effort to reduce robberies of senior citizens.

Shopping Program available Monday thru Friday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

To schedule a trip please call the Community Affairs Unit at 212.694.7723/24 or Email at

**john.ramos@nypd.org
cordell.cheatham@nypd.org**

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What is Bank On Manhattan?

Bank On Manhattan (or, for Spanish-speaking New Yorkers, *Cuenta con Manhattan*) is a partnership of retail banks, community groups, regulatory agencies, and the Office of Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer, designed to help Manhattan's unbanked families open basic checking accounts.

In the borough of Manhattan, 95,000 households have no bank account. In the Inwood / Washington Heights neighborhood, 46 percent of households are unbanked. In Harlem, 37 percent of families have neither a checking, nor a savings account.

On average, these Manhattan families spend \$530 every year on check cashing fees, bill payments, and money orders, putting an even greater strain on their ability to make ends meet during these tough economic times. A secondary, but equally significant cost of being unbanked, is that families miss the opportunity to accumulate assets and build the banking history essential to prosperity and financial success. Finally, without a bank account it is hard to keep your money safe and easier to become a victim of robbery or theft.

This problem is not limited solely to New York: an estimated 23 to 56 million Americans lack a bank account. To address the problem, the first Bank On program, developed with the support of the Pew Safe Banking Opportunities Project and the Brookings Institution, was started in San Francisco in 2006. The success and popularity of that program led to the creation of Bank On programs in more than 50 cities, and also has produced a statewide campaign in California.

Now Bank On has come to Manhattan.

Bank On Manhattan Checking Account

The goal of Bank On Manhattan in its first year is to help 10,000 Manhattan families embark on the path to greater financial security by opening a Bank On Manhattan checking account.

The baseline features of the Bank On Manhattan checking account were designed to break down the barriers keeping unbanked individuals from opening accounts. Banks participating in the initiative will offer a basic checking account that includes a monthly fee of \$0-\$6, protection from overdraft fees, a one cent minimum balance, and the ability to use foreign ID as a primary ID. This product also offers a second chance for people who have had trouble managing their accounts in the past.

Bank On Manhattan Financial Education Program

In addition to the checking account, Bank On Manhattan will offer a Financial Education Mini Grant program managed by the Coalition for Debtor Education. For organizations wishing to offer financial education to their clients, Bank On Manhattan will provide a mini-grant of up to \$100 to cover the associated operational costs and a free financial trainer to lead the workshop on-site at the grant recipient's facilities. The workshop will cover topics such as basic account management skills, saving, budgeting, and avoiding financial pitfalls.

Bank On Manhattan Partners and Advisors

The national Bank On model has been customized to meet the unique needs and challenges of New York City with the help of these top government regulatory institutions: the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), and the New York State Banking Department. In addition, the Pew Charitable Trusts, National League of Cities, and local leaders from ACCIÓN USA, Asian Americans for Equality, Centro Civico Cultural Dominicano, Inc., The Financial Clinic, Grameen USA, Lower East Side Family Union, New York Urban League, and United Way of New York City all have lent their time, energy, and expertise to creating Bank On Manhattan.

Financial institutions participating in the program and now offering Bank On Manhattan checking accounts to qualified New Yorkers include: Amalgamated Bank, Banco Popular, Chase, CheckSpring Bank, Citibank, East West Bank, and Emigrant Savings Bank - Manhattan. Several of these institutions have contributed either philanthropic support for the program's marketing and advertising campaign, or served as advisors in the creation of the program, and, in some cases, both.

Dozens of community based organizations are involved, encouraging unbanked families to consider opening Bank On Manhattan accounts. These local groups are serving, in effect, as the bridge between the borough's tens of thousands of unbanked families and the retail bank branches that have opened their doors to the unbanked by participating in the program.

Marketing is an integral part of reaching the unbanked. The advertising and communications agency Wing Media has generously created, on a pro bono basis, a high-impact, targeted marketing and media campaign designed to get the message out to communities living outside the financial mainstream.

Manhattan Borough President Scott Stringer and his staff have led the creation of Bank On Manhattan, convened this group of government, not-for-profit, and commercial partners, and will remain responsible for overseeing the program's implementation.


The Heritage Rose District of New York City
A project of Manhattan Borough President Scott M. Stringer
and the Heritage Rose Foundation

**Celebrate the First Anniversary of
the Heritage Rose District
OCTOBER 23, 2010 | 10AM - 2PM**

Fall Plantings

Riverside Valley Community Garden
138th Street and 12th Avenue
and
Edgecombe House
345 Edgecombe Avenue (*at 150th Street*)

10AM - 12PM

Community members and volunteers will plant roses at sites within the Heritage Rose District as part of New York City Department of Parks and Recreation's "It's My Park Day."

Heritage Rose Workshop

Audubon Terrace
The Hispanic Society of America
Broadway between 155th Street and 156th Street

1PM - 2PM

All are invited and welcome to attend this fun and informative workshop for budding rosarians facilitated by Heritage Rose Foundation President Stephen Scanniello. The workshop will include tips for growing heritage roses in small planters, caring for heritage roses during the winter, and integrating roses with other plants in your garden.

Afterwards, attendees can enjoy a guided gallery tour of the Hispanic Society of America.

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