



Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager: William Rivera

Youth & Education Committee Meeting Summary

February 13th, 2025

Board Members Present: Ram Halder, Badr Alsaidi, Janelle Harper, Wajied Hakim

I. Introduction

- A. Committee Description:** The youth & education committee represents the community's interests with regards to education and programs that target the youth and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Department of Education including Parent Advocates, PTA's, Educators and Principals, School Safety, the Administration for Children Services, the District Attorney's Office, NYC department of Youth & Development and local organizations and nonprofits.

II. Speakers

A. Silvia Hernandez, School District 8

- Ms. Hernandez shared that the college savings program in our district grew from having over 90 accounts last year to over 500 accounts this year.

In addition, Hernandez also shared information regarding the organizations below:

- Foundation Place (Address: 1272 Sutter Ave. Brooklyn, NY 11208 | Parent Help Line: 888-435-7553) program to provide parents with short-term childcare for up to 21 days.
- Atlas (Address: 412 E 147TH St. Bronx, NY 10455 | Email: enunez@risingground.org) program that provides therapy for people who have experienced violence or have been arrested.
- Trauma Recovery Center (Address: 3521 Church Ave Brooklyn, NY 11203 | Helpline: 917-444-1908) provides services for people who have experienced a violent crime or acute trauma in the past 3 years
- Children and Family Treatment Support Services (Phone Number: 646-957-5176) provides support for youth who are at risk of developing behavioral health issues
- Runaway & Homeless Youth Services (Phone Number: 800-246-4646) supports those between 14-24 years old

B. Dishon Ahing, Rising Ground Inc.

- Rising Ground has been around for over 200 years. They have more than 100 programs throughout the city, including free services for adults, children, and families. They provide free services including mental health services, trauma recovery, short-term childcare, and mentorship programs among other services.

C. District Manager's Report

- A. BXCB9 has selected a new hire for District Director

B. Next Month's Agenda Items

- A. BXCB9 to draft and submit annual district needs report to highlight community priorities with the assistance of board members and committee input.

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