

SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA AND SUMMARIES



Chairman: Mohammad Mujumder - District Manager: William Rivera

GENERAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

September 18, 2025 - 6:30PM

Location: ShopRite Community Room 1994 Bruckner Blvd, Bronx NY, 2nd Floor



MEETING CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America. And to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PUBLIC SESSION

Deputy Inspector Theanthong, 43rd Precinct Denise Pagan & Digna Fortuna, Fidelis Care Victoria Toro & Daniel Ranells, Bronx Rover Alliance

Public speakers are limited to 2 minutes to address the Board or otherwise instructed by the Chairperson.

Public speakers can sign up for the public session until the end of the meeting business day (2PM). During this segment only Board Members can ask questions and combined are allowed three questions for each public Speaker, unless otherwise instructed by the Chairman. Additional questions or comments by the public or board can be done outside of the meeting room. NOTE: If there are multiple speakers for same topic Chairperson can limit to three speakers.

MOTION TO GO INTO BUSINESS SESSION

During this segment of our meeting only Board Members can speak on General Business.

ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORT

Representatives are limited to 2 minutes to address the Board. During this segment only Board Members can ask questions and combined are allowed three questions for each Report, unless otherwise instructed by the Chairman. Additional questions or comments by the board can be done outside of the meeting room.

CHAIRMAN/DISTRICT MANAGER REPORT

EXECUTIVE/OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair: Mohammad Mujumder Vice Chair: Angel Martinez

Street Renaming Request for Loretta Masterson

YOUTH & EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Lashei Deoleo Vice Chair: Ram Holder

LAND, ZONING, PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Chair: Mitchell Halpern Vice Chair: Twywana Bush

PARKS & RECREATION

Vice Chair: Sadie Marie Davis

5 Bridges Project Letter of Opposition

PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION

Chair: Shante Chamblee Vice Chair: Isabelo Adames

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Chair: Nellie Santiago Rivera Vice Chair: Linda Soto

NYCHA & HOUSING COMMITTEE

Chair: Antoinette Vereen Vice Chair: Anne Johnson

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION TO END MEETING

Our next meeting will be Thursday, October 16, 2025

Location: ShopRite Community Room 1994 Bruckner Blvd, 2nd Fl

Bronx, NY 10473

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District Service Cabinet Summary

September 16, 2025 - 1:00 PM

Description: The City Charter establishes a District Service Cabinet (DSC) in each community district, to be composed of agency officials responsible for local service delivery. The District Manager of the Community Board chairs the District Service Cabinet, whose members include representatives of the agencies that deliver local services to the Community District. The District Service Cabinet is the primary mechanism through which local service delivery issues can be raised, discussed and resolved. If used effectively, the Cabinet can provide the basis for a comprehensive approach to service delivery within the community district.

I. Call to Order

II. Service Requests

A. NYPD: 2 Abandoned vehicles on 227 Soundview Ave with plates (White BMW).

III. Old Business

- A. Derelict Vehicle on Soundview Ave (outside of Shorehaven). Resolution: DSNY Night Supervisor to tag vehicle.
- B. Graffiti Removal Request at 2175 E. Tremont Ave. Resolution: As per Mayor's CAU, DSNY and DOB will be looped in for next steps.
- C. Mail delivery concern at 1109 White Plains Rd. Resolution: Office of Rep AOC to flag with USPS.
- D. Expedited Transfer Request for 805 Taylor Ave/Monroe Houses. Resolution: As per NYCHA, transfer requests must be made by official application and cannot be expedited.
- E. Reason for inspection request for 1850 Lafayette Ave. Resolution: As per HPD, inspection was a dismissal request applied by the landlord and conducted standardly.
- F. Abandoned vehicles on 227 Soundview Ave. Resolution: As per DSNY Vehicles have plates, DM Rivera to escalate to NYPD for action.
- G. BX09 submitted a letter of support for the Soundview Skatepark Stormwater Resilience Project.

III. Agency Reports / Announcements

- Ms. Dowe from the Mayor's Office asked to submit service requests through 311 in addition to City Agency representatives for tracking purposes.
- Mr. Luna from CM Farias office will be distributing health bucks for local farmer, and they have some fall events coming up. he asked Kenneth for updates about Parkchester
- Mr. Johnson from DOHMH reported that there were positive legionnaire test results in Parkchester North and South.
 - There were two cases in Parkchester North that were related and two cases in Parkchester South that were related, but the cases between Parkchester North and Parkchester South were not related.
 - As a result, four buildings in Parkchester North and four in Parkchester South each are being investigated.
 - There is already a water disinfection process for Parkchester North underway. Parkchester South water sampling will begin soon. They have hosted resident meetings in both Parkchester North

- and South and will host another for the residents of Parkchester South after the sampling is completed.
- o DM Rivera asked to be updated about those meetings.
- Ms. Ardizzone from the Department of Environmental Protections reported that they are doing catch basin and sewage inspections throughout the district.
- Mr. Blondent shared that the District Attorney's office is putting together a Youth Council and Clergy Council.
- Mr. Melendez from NYC Aging shared that on 10.22.25 at 80 E 181st Street there will be an opportunity for the public to give a statement about APS, which is a report about NYC Aging information.
- Mr. Acosta from NYC Parks Department shared that they can assist with leaf pick-ups and snow clearing in preparation for events as we begin fall and prepare for winter.
- Ms. Vergara from AM Reyes's office shared that they are doing a Mammogram Bus for women ages 40-75 who have not had a mammogram in the past 12 months. Additionally, their Trunk or Treat event will be 10.25.25 (1679 Castle Hill Ave).
- Mr. Rolando from NYSDOT shared that there will be an environmental assessment and public hearings about their Cross Bronx Expressway project. Additionally, they have recently completed sidewalk rehabilitation work around Sonia Sotomayor houses.
- Mr. Liriamo from CCRB shared that there have been 79 complaints against 43rd Precinct. In the next few months, they will bring back their monthly meeting across the five boroughs.
- Mr. Agosoto from the BP's Office shared that they are working with FDNY to share fire safety information especially in regards to lithium batteries. They will also be hosting Bronx Fashion Week at Borough Hall (851 Grand Concourse) on 9.25.25, a Power Ability on 10.1.25 10am-2pm at Borough Hall (851 Grand Concourse), and a Cycling Tour of the Bronx on 10.25.25.
- Ms. Ceilema from Senator Fernandez's office shared past events the office hosted. They are in the process of planning a Blood Drive and Celebrations for Hispanic Heritage Month.
- Mr. de la Cruz from Castle Hill Library shared they are currently closed for two years for renovation,
 They are doing a book mobile on Tuesday at Serrano Playground from 11am-4pm and Thursdays on the corner of Castle Hill and Quimby Ave from 11am-4pm.

IV. Announcements

- A. BXCB9 General Board Meeting 09.18.25 at the ShopRite Community Room at 1994 Bruckner Blvd, 2 Fl at 6:30PM
- B. BXCB9 Seniors Connected Meeting 09.19.25 at the ShopRite Community Room at 1994 Bruckner Blvd, 2 Fl at 10AM

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This Location Is Closed While Undergoing Improvements

We apologize for any inconvenience. This library is currently under renovation to make improvements to the branch and expected to reopen in late 2027. For information about Bookmobile service, call **917-226-3793** or visit: **nypl.org/bookmobile**

To return books and access Library services, please visit one of the following nearby branches:

Parkchester Library

1985 Westchester Avenue Bronx, NY 10462 718-829-7830

Soundview Library

660 Soundview Avenue Bronx, NY 10473 718-589-0880

Westchester Square Library

2521 Glebe Avenue Bronx, NY 10461 718-863-0436

To find all open New York Public Library branches, visit: nypl.org/locations





Executive Committee Summary

September 16, 2025 - 7:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Angel Martinez and Twywana Bush

I. Introduction & Roll Call

II. Old Business

- A. By Laws Update
- B. Conflict of Interest Board Update
- By Laws and COIB Update will be pending as DM Rivera is still waiting to get an updated legal contact.
- C. Secretary Bush asked DM Rivera for an update about CM Salamanca's \$62,000 technology grant.
- DM Rivera will give an update about this at the General Board meeting, but we are waiting for an update about how we will receive the funding.
- D. Secretary Bush also asked about the Community Board Appreciation.
- DM Rivera shared that we will be hosting one this fiscal year and has talked to staff at the Sonia Sotomayor center to host it there.

III. New Business

- A. The office has applied for an individual Grant from the New York City Department of Records and Information Services to help us digitize and physical records we have.
- B. The office is in the process of applying to host a community planning Fellow to help with our District Needs Statement and Vacant Lots Project.
- C. Board Members are interested in Stratgizing ways to share information about the upcoming election.
- NYCHA & Housing Committee Members are interested in tabling at NYCHA building around the district.
- Land & Zoning Committee members are interested in sharing information about the ballot proposals.

IV. DM Report

- A. DM Rivera wants every concern regarding BJ's, Chick-Fil-A, and Chipotle to be sent to him via email.
- B. DM Rivera invited the new Commanding Officer to the upcoming General Board meeting.
- C. The 5 Bridges Project will be discussed at the General Board Meeting.
- D. The Finance Commissioner will be present at the General Board Meeting.
- E. The Chancellor wants new CB members to attend the meetings.

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Youth & Education Committee Meeting Summary September 11, 2025

Committee Members Present: Lashei Deoleo, Ram Halder, Wajied Hakim, Richard Owusu, Wayne Cole Jr.

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.

Speakers

A. Nancy Mares, L.O.V.E (Latinas on the Verge Excellence) Mentoring

- Ms. Mares discusses the L.O.V.E mentoring program:
 - L.OV.E provides mentorship, wellness, and college guidance to young girls.
 - They currently partner with two schools in the community, and they are looking to increase the number of up with more young women involved.
 - The students start the program in middle school and complete their participation in high school.
 - Their goal is to connect with more schools and to continue outreach to raise awareness about the organization.

B. Slivia Hernández Núñez, District 8

- Ms. Hernández Núñez shared upcoming events:
 - 9.30.25 District 8 Meet & Greet. from 9:00-10:00AM (P.S 138 2060 Lafayette Ave)
 - 10.18.25 Fall CAR-nival from 10AM-1PM. (Stickball Blvd between Randall and Seward Ave)

C. New Business

- Stella Alder Free Acting Program for Teens, Applications are due Monday, 9.22.25
 - Link: https://stellaadler.com/arts-justice/k-12/adler-youth/
- Chair Deoleo wants board members to arrive at the next meeting with a spreadsheet with data and ideas to discuss on how to move forward.

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Meet & Greet

YOU'RE INVITED TO A COMMUNITY MEET AND GREET WITH OUR SUPERINTENDENT, JENNIFER JOYNT! THIS IS A FANTASTIC CHANCE TO CONNECT, ASK QUESTIONS, AND SHARE YOUR IDEAS FOR A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL YEAR. AS A COMMUNITY, YOUR INVOLVEMENT IS KEY TO OUR SUCCESS.

COME AND HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH SUPERINTENDENT JOYNT AND
LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR OUR
SCHOOLS.

September 30 @ 9am-10am

PS 138, 2060 Lafayette Avenue, Bronx, 10473

Work Hard and Be Kind

Interpretation in Arabic, Bangla and Spanish will be available



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3rd Annual RALL

CAR-NIVAL!

A Free Community Event!



GIVE-A-WAYS AT EVERY

CAR!



Candy, books, swag, school supplies, raffles, contests, music, entertainment, food and much more!

SAVE THE DATE!! Saturday, October 18th 10 am - 1 pm

STICKBALL BLVD
Between Randall and Seward Ave
in front of PS 182

For more information contact Vanessa Ruiz
D8 Family Leadership Coordinator
VRUIZ2@SCHOOLS.NYC.GOV

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Land & Zoning, Economic Development & Planning Committee Meeting Summary September 8, 2025

Committee Members Present: Mitchell Halpern, Twywana Bush, Ahmat Jallo, Alizia McMyers, Andrea McLeod, Kevin Kiernan, Kristine Garcia, Shereese Trumpet

Committee Description: The Land & Zoning, Economic Development & Planning Committee represents the community's interests with regard to the use of land, zoning, landmark, building, etc. and acts as a liaison between community members and Department of City Planning, Department of Buildings & the New York City Economic Development Corporation.

I. Speakers

A. MarySol Rodriguez, Distinctive Public Affairs

- Ms. Rodriguez shared DPA efforts in community outreach regarding the new BJ's development.
 - o DPA met with tenants' association, residents, and business owners.
 - There were concerns that there is not enough space for adequate parking for a wholesale store like BJs.
 - o This would increase traffic concerns which would potentially be a danger to pedestrians, especially seniors and children.
 - o There were additional concerns about BJ's using non-union labor.
- The community shared the following concerns:
 - BJs, Chipotle, and Chick-fil-a raises the risk of more people coming into the community and potentially posing a threat to the safety.

II. New Business

- A. The following outline community concerns about new development in the district:
- In regard to the new Chick-fil-A and Chipotle:
 - People would prefer to have access to healthier food options.
 - o There were also concerns about the drive-thru being a hazard for pedestrians.
- In regard to the new Lafyette Estate Development:
 - Current residents are unhappy with Lafyette Estates management of their current building and worry that two new developments will potentially exacerbate the already bad conditions that they're facing and pose new problems for future tenants of the new buildings.
 - Additionally, green space has been destroyed to make space for a parking lot that still does not have a sufficient number of spaces for the tenants.
- The community asked what are the next steps?
 - DM Rivera stated that he will forward any emails that he receives to elected officials and city agencies.
- The community also asked how they can be more involved?
 - o BM Bush suggested that they come to the General Board meetings throughout the year happening every third Thursday of the month.

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Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting Summary September 10, 2025

Board Members Present: Abunoman Rahman, Sadie Marie Davis, Lena Johnson, Shantel Castro, Helen Foreman-Hines, Roshawn Pettaway

I. Introduction

A. Committee Description: The Parks and Recreation Committee represents the community's interests with regard to parks, park services and all park related matters and acts as a liaison between parks users and the New York City Parks Department.

II. Speakers

A. Victoria Toro - Outreach Manager at Bronx River Alliance, Cross Bronx Project Updates

It took decades for the Bronx to recover from the Cross Bronx Expressway and with years of repairs on the horizon residents worry about new trauma.

 $\underline{https://www.nytimes.com/2025/08/22/nyregion/south-bronx-park-expressway.html}$

The proposed structures would worsen air pollution, water pollution, and extreme urban heat (removal of trees) without providing meaningful improvements to east/west connectivity.

This project will cover 3 different community boards: 3, 6 and 9.

The duration of this project will take 5 years to be built.

The project includes 4 Options:

- Option 1- Ramp from Southbound Bronx River Parkway to westbound CBE.
 Traffic diversion structure Post- construction use. Temporary connection from traffic diversion structure to CBE during construction. And no direct connection to CBE post construction.
- ii. Option 2- Ramp from Southbound Bronx river parkway to westbound CBE.No traffic diversion structure uses a path along CBE.
- iii. Option 1C- Ped/Bike only, Proposed connection to Bronx River Avenue in front of Bronx River Houses.
- iv. Option 1D- Includes a shared use path on the cross Bronx Expressway to increase connectivity within the project limits.

After public feedback, the NYSDOT dismissed the Build Alternatives 1A & 1B. Project Timeline

- i. 9.2024 Initiate Environmental Assessment
- ii. Early Fall 25 Release Draft Environmental Assessment
- iii. Fall 25 Public Hearings
- iv. Early 2026 Release Final Environmental Assessment Determination

- v. 2026 Construction Begins
- vi. 2030 Construction Completes (option 1)
- vii. 2032 Construction Completes (option 2)

For more information and resources visit: bit.ly/no-cbe

Request for CB9 Letter of opposition to prevent the building of additional roadway for the Cross Bronx 5 Bridges Project. This will be a voting matter at the General Board's Meeting on 9.18.25.

B. BM Questions/Concerns

Concerns about health related factors were raised and safety concerns around the construction on the Bronx River area.

How much money out of the 900 million will be used for this project?

• \$150 Million will be allocated to this specific project.

The community isn't widely aware of this project. Who will conduct outreach of this project to the community?

- There is a consultant currently sharing this information out in the community.
- The Bronx River Alliance and partners hold monthly Coalition/Advocacy Meetings; one is coming up on 9.23.25

CB9 Board members will share this information amongst their networks to help get the word out.

C. New Business

- A. Space Time Playground Synthetic Turf Field and Basketball Courts Construction project began on Monday, August 25, 2025
- B. CB9 submitted a letter of support for the Soundview Park Skatepark Stormwater Resilience Project
- C. Soundview Park Representative will come to the next meeting to discuss Soundview Park updates.

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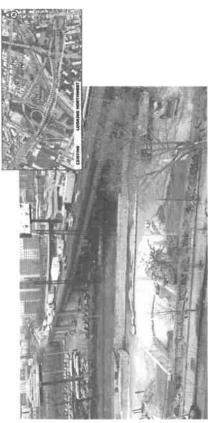


Agenda

- Project Overview & Updates
- Environmental Review Process
 - Project Timeline
- Request for CB9 Letter
- Q&A



EXISTING VIEW FROM AREA NEAR BRONX RIVER HOUSES



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Existing View from area near Bronx River Houses

Gross Bronx Expressway
New Jersey

Bronz

Bronz

Cucens

Manhattan

Five Existing CBE Bridges



BUILD ALTERNATIVE OPTION 1C: POST-CONSTRUCTION USE



Option 1C: Ped/Bike Only Proposed Connection to Bronx River Avenue in front of Bronx River Houses

EXISTING BRONX RIVER AVENUE



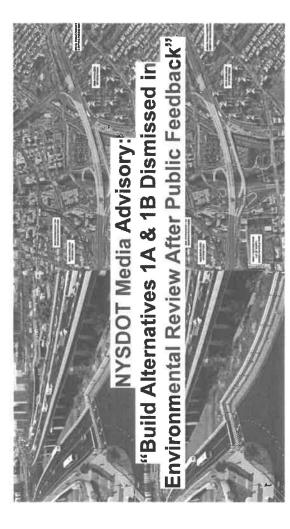
Existing View at Bronx River Avenue -- Looking West

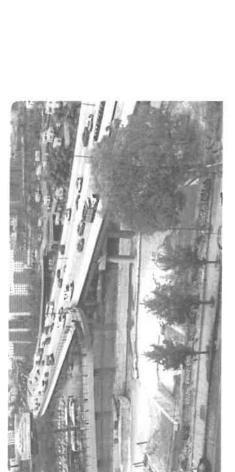
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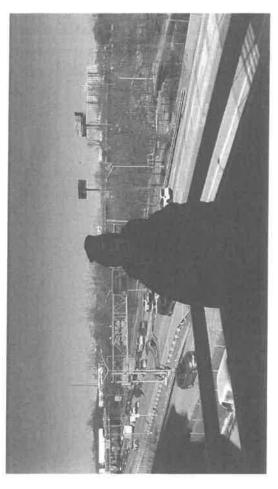
For All Options: Pedestrian/Bicycle Only Proposed Connection to Bronx River Greenway *

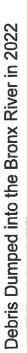
* Although Option 1C is shown here, all of the Bulld Alternative Options Include a connection to the Bronx River Greenway

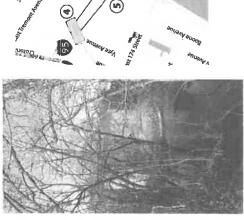


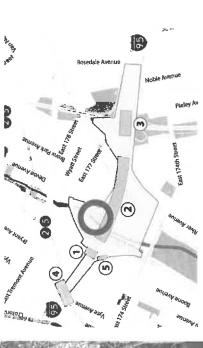


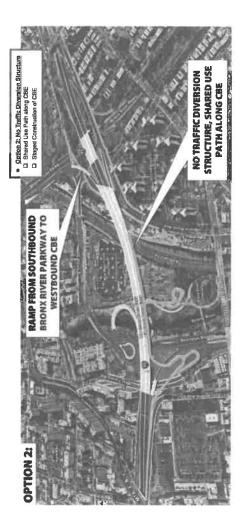
Option 1D: This rendering depicts the post-construction use of Option 1D, which includes a shared use path on the Cross Bronx Expressway to increase connectivity within the project limits.













More Information and Resources:

bit.ly/no-cbe



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The proposed structures would worsen air pollution, water pollution, and extreme urban heat - without providing meaningful improvements to east/west connectivity.

ANTICIPATED TIMELINE PROJECT SCHEDULE AND MILESTONES

Public involvement will continue throughout the project

2032	•	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE (OPTION 2)*
2030		CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE (OPTION 1)*
2026	9	CONSTRUCTION BEGINS*
EARLY 2026		RELEASE FINAL EATENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION*
FALL 2025		PUBLIC
FALL 2025		PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON DRAFT EA
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SEP 2024	0	INITIATE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)

* If the lead agencies determine that the project may have a significant effect on the environment, an Environmental Impect Statement will be prapared.
This would change the anticipaled schedule shown.

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA)

- ➤ NEPA is a national policy that provides for a decision-making process to consider the effects of federally funded or permitted projects on the environment.
- ➤ Under NEPA, the lead agencies consider public input about the potential effects of a project on the social, economic and environmental conditions
- > The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) are the joint lead agencies for the Project.

What is an Environmental Assessment (EA)?

- > An E4 is a "concise" public document, for which a Federal agency is responsible, for an action that is not likely to have a significant effect or for which the significance of the effects is unknown.
- > An EA is used to support an agency's determination of whether to prepare an environmental Impact statement or a finding of no significant impact (atea "FONSI").
- If the EA shows that the Project may have a significant effect to the environment, then the Joint lead agencies will prepare an Environmental impact Statement (EIS).



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Public Safety & Transportation Committee Meeting Summary September 4, 2025

Committee Members Present: Shante Chamblee, Isabelo Adames, Woodie, Elizabeth Angeles, Henry Pelayo, Juan Torres, Robbin Kelly, Sarwar Jahan

Committee Description: The public safety & transportation committee represents the community's interests with regards to sanitation, crime, fire-ems, quality of life, NYS liquor license application recommendations, street activity permit applications, street re-naming application, transportation and acts as a liaison between community members and the New York Police Department & Fire Departments, NYC Department of Environmental Protection, NYC Department of Sanitation, NYC Department of Transportation, & NYS Liquor Authority.

I. Speakers

- A. Juan Salanda, DSNY (Department of Sanitation)
- Mr. Salanda presented on Phase 2 of the Commercial Waste Zone rollout (presentation attached).
- For more information visit: https://www.nyc.gov/site/dsny/businesses/commercialwaste-zones.page
- The following outlines the Q&A from the presentation:
- How can this information be shared with seniors and people with disabilities in the community?
 - DSNY shared that they are able to mail informational flyers door to door services are provided.
- A BM suggested that the DSNY should consider filling up the sweeper trucks with water tanks to avoid emitting dust and debris.
 - DSNY will follow up with their team about if this is a possibility.

II. New Business

- A. More Buildings involved have been experiencing legionnaires outbreaks, specifically in the Parkchester areas. In Parkchester West and South, 8 buildings in total are under investigation to determine if the water supply is contaminated.
 - Board Members are interested in how often water systems are being cleaned around the community.
- B. A BM reported that the lights around the bus stops are not working, and says it is so dark that it has become a hazard. They've sent out complaints regarding the lights, but nothing has been done as of yet.

• DM Rivera will follow-up regarding light issues around the bus stops.

III. District Manager's Report

- A. DM Rivera discussed the 43rd Precinct Crime Summary from 8.25.25-8.31.25)
 - Overall crime in the 43rd Precinct is down compared to last year, with 69 major crimes reported this week compared to 77 at this time last year.
 - Burglaries dropped by 50% and car thefts dropped by 31%.
 - While robberies rose by 22%, felony assaults were down 23%.
 - Even with these shifts, crimes remain lower than it was in the 1990s.

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Transition to the Commercial Waste Zone System

- Previously, the system was unstructured, without a standardized framework for service.
- Local Law 199, signed into law November 2019
- Divides the city into 20 zones.
- Private carters bid to provide service in specific zones.
- Each zone will have up to 3 carters, who must provide high-quality, lowcost curbside service.
- For 10+ Cubic Yards of waste via dumpster/compactor at loading dock, there will be up to 5 citywide carters available.



Waste Zones Commercial

Phase 2 Rollout



nyc.gov/commercialwaste

Commercial Waste Zones Benefits



- Competitive bidding keeps costs low
 - Transparent pricing
- Discounted rates for recycling & organics



- Safer, quieter streets

Less commercial traffic

Improved air quality

and safety standards

 Increased training service standards Stricter customer

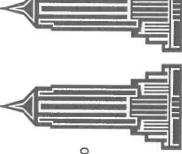
Greater operational

efficiency

- Higher recycling &
- organics rates

NYC Commercial Waste

businesses generate over **Every day**, over 250,000 9,000 tons of waste. Equivalent ~2.5x concrete used to construct Empire State Building.







Important Dates – Bronx East and Bronx West

Implementation Period: October 1, 2025 - November 30, 2025

All contracts between carter & business must be signed by November 30, 2025

December 1, 2025—they will be assigned a carter at the If a business does not have a signed contract effective Maximum Rate and Minimum Frequency

Citywide Rollout

 10-phase rollout to be completed by 2027

Timeline and Cohorts at: See DSNY website for nyc.gov/cwz

Implementation Timeline and Cohorts

As of April 23, 2025

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How to Comply

CWZ-approved carter and sign a new contract before the end of If you use a private carter, there are 5 easy steps to select a your zone's rollout period.

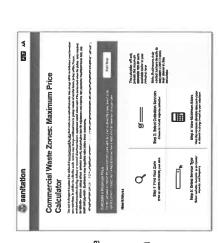


How to Comply - 5 Easy Steps

Step 3: Compare

Calculate Maximum Prices based on your service needs.

- Using the **Calculator**, on the CWZ webpage, compare the maximum monthly rates carters may charge for collection costs and additional fees.
- Carters must provide recycling and organics collection at a discounted rate compared to trash collection.
- Compare the Maximum Additional Fee Schedule Per Carter in the Maximum Rate Calculator.



How to Comply - 5 Easy Steps

Step 1: Evaluate

Assess your waste including collection type and frequency of pickup to determine your service needs.

You can conduct a waste audit or request one from your carter or a BIC-licensed broker.





How to Comply - 5 Easy Steps

Step 4: Negotiate !!!!

Obtain multiple quotes from the carters in your zone to negotiate for the best service and rates possible.

Businesses should negotiate BELOW the maximum rates calculated.

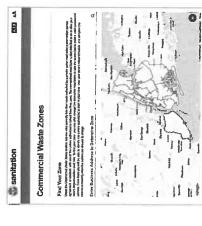
Discounts on Organics and Recycling: All Authorized Carters are required to offer a discount on organics and recycling collection

How to Comply - 5 Easy Steps

Step 2: Identify

Find Your Zone by address and confirm which carters are authorized to operate in your area.

- Bronx East: Action, Royal, 5 Borough
- Bronx West: Action, Royal, Recycle Track Systems
- Citywide: Action, Filco, Recycle Track System, Waste Connections, Boro-Wide











How to Comply: **Carter Decal**

Commercial Waste Zone once your carter gives you the green carter decal. You are officially enrolled in your

establishment's window where it is visible You MUST display the decal in your from the sidewalk.



How to Comply - 5 Easy Steps

Step 5: Sign

Sign a new written service agreement with a zone-authorized carter for refuse AND recycling.

rollout period, DSNY will choose one for you at the Maximum Allowable If you have not signed a new agreement before the end of your zone's Rates and Minimum Allowable Service.*

*Customers will have 30 days to change their chosen carter before penalties may apply.





Limited Exceptions

A small number of qualifying properties may be exempt from hiring a private carter.

and wait up to 1-2 weeks for DSNY approval. Qualifying properties must submit a request

If denied, you'll need to contract with a private carter.

Nonprofits: on.nyc.gov/request-collection-service Check if you qualify for exemption: Professional Offices: on.nyc.gov/DSNY-profee

on.nyc.gov/contact-BCW Questions?

Qualifying properties include:

City Agencies (e.g., NYCHA, DOE Schools, NYPD Precincts) City-Managed Properties and Tax-Exempt Buildings *may be and Nonprofit Organizations in eligible for free DSNY service Non-Profits:

*may be eligible for fee-based DSNY service ("Pro-fee") Professional Offices in Residential Buildings:

How to Comply: Review

Step 1: Evaluate

Step 2: Identify

Step 3: Compare

Step 4: Negotiate

Step 5: Sign

Get started at: nyc.gov/cwz





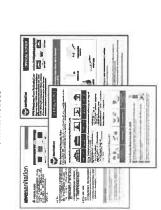


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Materials for Businesses

Print/Download Materials in Multiple Languages at: nyc.gov/dsnycommercialresources

Official Notices





Containerization & Setout Time This does not apply to businesses that have waste collected from a loading dock. Containers must be removed from the curb by the time business reopens. Businesses must separate their waste.

Containers with a secure lid are required

Organics (discounted) & Trash

- Set out after 8 pm or up to 1 hour before closing
- No black bags on curb

Recycling (discounted)

- Can set out up to 1 hour before closing if using a bin
- Can set out only after 8 pm if using clear bags
- Set out cardboard boxes and newspapers bundled or baled



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Free Resources for Businesses

- Educational site visits
- Group trainings

Tabling events

Video webinars

nyc.gov/commercialwaste

Questions?

on.nyc.gov/contact-BCW

- Speaking engagements
- Phone consultations



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LEGIONNAIRES' DISEASE

Legionnaires' (LEE-juh-nares) disease is a very serious type of pneumonia (lung infection) caused by bacteria called Legionella. If you develop pneumonia symptoms and may have been exposed to Legionella, see a doctor right away. Be sure to mention if you have used a hot tub, spent any nights away from home, or stayed in a hospital in the last two weeks.

Legionnaires' Disease Can Cause Pneumonia Symptoms

Signs and symptoms of Legionnaires' disease can include:

- Cough
- Muscle aches
- Fever

- ➤ Shortness of breath
- Headache

Doctors use chest x-rays or physical exams to check for pneumonia. Your doctor may also order tests on a sample of urine and sputum (phlegm) to see if your lung infection is caused by Legionella.

Legionnaires' Disease Is Serious, but Can Be Treated with Antibiotics

Legionnaires' disease is treated with antibiotics (drugs that kill bacteria in the body). Most people who get sick need care in a hospital but make a full recovery. However, about 1 out of 10 people who get Legionnaires' disease will die from the infection.

Certain People Are at Increased Risk for Legionnaires' Disease

Most healthy people do not get Legionnaires' disease after being exposed to Legionella. Being 50 years or older or having certain risk factors can increase your chances of getting sick. These risk factors include:

- Being a current or former smoker
- Having chronic lung disease, such as emphysema or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)
- Having a weakened immune system from diseases like cancer, diabetes, or kidney failure
- > Taking medication that weakens your immune system

Legionella Are Usually Spread through Water Droplets in the Air

In nature, Legionella live in fresh water and rarely cause illness. In man-made settings, Legionella can grow if water is not properly maintained. These man-made water sources become a health problem when small droplets of water that contain the bacteria get into the air and people breathe them in. In rare cases, someone breathes in Legionella while they are drinking water and it "goes down the wrong pipe" into the lungs. In general, people do not spread Legionnaires' disease to other people.



Legionnaires' disease, a type of severe pneumonia, is caused by breathing in small droplets of water that contain Legionella.

Commons Sources of Infection

Outbreaks of Legionnaires' disease are often associated with large or complex water systems, like those found in hospitals, hotels, and cruise ships.

The most likely sources of infection include:



Water used for showering (potable water)



Cooling towers (parts of large air conditioning systems)



Decorative fountains



Hot tubs



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager: William Rivera

Social Services Committee Meeting Summary September 2, 2025

Committee Members Present: Nellie Santiago-Rivera, Daniel Porro, Chandra Moore, James Tynan, Md Alauddin, Sharyn Brown

Committee Description: The social services committee represents the community's interests with regards to social services including senior services, disability, and veterans concerns and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Human Resources Administration, Department of Homeless Services, Department of Aging, and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Seniors Connected Sub-Committee is under this committee.

New Business

- A. The committee would like Elected Officials to share more information about mental health and suicide awareness with the community. BM Porro will do outreach to Elected Officials to share flyers from the Department of Mental Health and Hygiene.
- B. Additionally, the committee shared information about upcoming events happening around the city:
- Mondays & Fridays there is a free Martial Arts & Korean Sword Fighting Class for Seniors.
- 9.20.25 from 11am-3pm the League of Women Voters is tabling for Constitution Day outside of ShopRite.
- There will be a series of events for Disability Awareness Month in October including:
 - 10.19.25 Disability Pride Parade at 10am on Madison Ave between 24th and 26th
 St. followed by a block party from 12pm to 3pm at Union Square.
- 10.25.25 Safe Disposal Event from 10am-4pm at Orchard Beach.
- 10.26.25 March for Breast Cancer in Co-op City.

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NYCHA & Housing Committee Meeting Summary September 2, 2025

Committee Members Present: Antoinette Vereen, Anne Johnson, Helen Foreman-Hines

Committee Description: The NYCHA & Housing Committee represents the community's interests with regards to housing related matters and concerns, namely in relation to NYCHA, and acts as a liaison between community members and the New York City Housing Authority as well as local property owners and management teams.

I. Old Business

- A. BM Johnson would like help using the horseshoe for the trucks that drop-off food donations to Soundview Houses.
- B. Chair Vereen led a discussion about potential scheduling changes for the NYCHA & Housing meetings:
 - Chair Vereen suggested making the meeting hybrid, so that more people can attend
 - Vice Chair Johnson suggested 6PM as a protentional time for hybrid meetings
 - BM Foreman-Hines suggested moving the time back to 6:30PM or 7PM to accommodate people who are commuting from work.

II. New Business

- A. Chair Vereen would like the Homeowners Association and Mitchell-Lama tenants to become more involved with the NYCHA & Housing Committee.
- B. LeShonda Belton, Vice President of Sonia Sotomayor Houses, shared the following:
 - Sotomayor Houses have around 1400 tenants.
 - They host food distribution four times a month, which is open to all.
 - They also share the following resources: mammogram screening, blood pressure screening, and voting registration information.
- C. Community members shared the following concerns about the Lafeyette Estates Development:
 - This development will exacerbate issues of overcrowding at schools, supermarkets, and on public transportation.
 - Green space has been paved to accommodate more parking spaces.
 - There are also safety concerns regarding the fumes from the development being less than 200 feet from residential building and this development is happening on marsh land, which is prone to flooding and erosion.
 - The community has had difficulties contacting the developers throughout this process:

- Many of the health and safety issues that the community raised with the developers were dismissed.
- The developers hosted a Zoom meeting but did not allow all community members to join because there was a capacity limit.
- The community has hosted a prayer walk, rally, and protest, which were covered on New 12. They are hoping to gain more support from other residents, organizations, and elected officials.
- D. Board members and community members highlighted that parking is a consistent issue in this district.
- E. A tenant reported an issue at Stevenson Commons with delayed trash pickups.
 - Board Members recommended contacting 311 and HPD to get that resolved.
- F. A community member reported an issue with having an unauthorized air conditioner charge on her rent.
 - Board Members recommended contacting the CB9 office staff for help with this.
- G. Vice Chair Johnson shared that contacting PSA8 for issues with NYCHA building may be helpful.
- H. Board Members and Community Members are interested in tabling at NYCHA buildings around the district to increase information about voting.
- I. Chair Vereen would like Officer Perez from NYPD Community Affairs to attend a future meeting.

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Sign Up for 09.20.25 Soundview Restoration Day.

Join the Bronx River Alliance for a day of stewardship in Soundview Park!

We will be partnering with Friends of Soundview Park to remove litter (as part of International Coastal Cleanup Day), remove invasive species, and plant native species to help protect, improve and restore this important waterfront park!

Meeting Location: Soundview Park Field House - 1550 Lafayette Ave, Bronx,

NY 10473

Meeting Time: 10:00 am

Event End: 2:00 pm

Please wear protective, weather appropriate clothing that can get dirty – long pants, closed toe shoes, and a hat. Please also bring a reusable water bottle! We will provide coolers of water, plus snacks and lunch for after our stewardship efforts.

We will provide all gloves and tools.

For questions, please reach out to Jennifer Seda at jennifer.seda@bronxriver.org

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10/17/24

Subject: Whole Foods, Plant-Based Cooking classes

Restarting #WFPB Cooking Classes at St Helena's Church, Parkchester Classes will be bi-lingual English-Spanish

I used to do Whole Foods, Plant-Based cooking classes at St. Helena's school, in the cafeteria once a month.

The next dates are:

- September 20th, 2025, 3-7 PM
- October 18th, 2025, 3-7 PM

Information can be found here:

https://hippocratessays.com/events/

and my blog with recipes from the old classes is here:

https://starlingaveplantbased.blogspot.com/

You can email me at RogierFvV@HippocratesSays.com

When we are ready, there will also be regular announcements in the church bulletin.

Grocery Money: \$50 for the first two classes, and after that \$20/month.

Grocery Money needs to be paid at the rectory by Wednesday noon before the event at the rectory, ask for Rosemary.

On 10/05/2025, we are working with Plant Powered Metro New York, as the host of Lunch for doctors at Neerob Restaurant, 2096 Starling Ave, Bronx, NY 10462.

The speaker will be Dr. Zafar Mirza, President of the Pakistani Academy of Lifestyle Medicine (PALM), and formerly Minister of Health of Pakistan.

The <u>lunch will be \$20 when you RSVP online</u> through:

https://plantpoweredmetrony.org/jumpstarts/october-2025/ or via the FB group,

https://www.facebook.com/groups/ppmnycommunity/events

At the door it will be strictly subject to availability and \$25 per person.

Details here: https://hippocratessays.com/dr-zafar-mirza-at-neerob/

Our vision is a collaboration with the healthcare sector in Parkchester, for people with diabetes, heart disease, and generally any chronic conditions, which can be helped with a Whole Foods, Plant-Based diet. We note that all NYC hospitals now have Whole Foods Plant-Based diet on the menu, and generally recommend it to any patients with chronic conditions, since it is the most anti-inflammatory diet on the planet.

We will be inviting Parkchester area doctors to join ACLM, the American College of Lifestyle Medicine, and to get certified. Every year hundreds of doctors are getting this certification, to help turn the tide on the epidemic of chronic illness, for nutrition and healthy lifestyles are still the primary drivers for chronic disease reversal and prevention, with diabetes and heart disease foremost.

- https://lifestylemedicine.org/certification/certification-for-physicians/
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In the longer term, we would like to work with all area doctors to expand the support for lifestyle medicine in the Parkchester area.

To the Bangladeshi doctors in the area specifically, it would be great if you could work with colleagues in Bangladesh to join forces and start a Bangladeshi Lifestyle Medicine organization. You can ask Dr. Mirza about it. I am also friends with Dr. Shagufta Feroz who was the founder of PALM, and we can connect you to resources both in the USA and in Bangladesh.

Any Pakistani doctors could join PALM.

In general, we promote the work of Dr. Nandita Shah, *Reversing Diabetes in 21 Days*, as being the best guide for Whole Foods, Plant-Based lifestyle for the SE Asian community.







REPRESENTING NEW YORK'S 14TH DISTRICT

Community Board 9
September 18th, 2025
6:30pm - Shop Rite Community Room

Good evening, Community Board 9!

- 1. We recently hosted a Student Loan Webinar which focused on the new rules, risks, and relief options for student loans now and into 2026. If you missed the live session, don't worry you can watch the full webinar anytime on YouTube at the RepAOC channel.
- 2. The Congressional App Challenge is currently underway. This is Congress's premier STEM competition for middle and high school students, where thousands of young computer scientists compete by designing and creating apps. Winners will have the incredible opportunity to visit the Capitol and showcase their applications to members of Congress and other participants. The challenge will run until October 30th. Students interested in participating can sign up at congressionalappchallenge.us.
- 3. We have also been closely tracking community concerns about the increasing presence of ICE throughout New York City. Our office offers immigration casework services to assist constituents, and we encourage anyone needing help to visit our website for Know Your Rights materials. If you have an upcoming immigration court appointment, please review the legal resources available online, and if you are a constituent, consider preemptively signing a DHS Homeland Security privacy release form to help us better assist you.
- 4. Additionally, our office is currently accepting applications for nominations to military service academies until October 30th. If you know of High School Seniors who are looking to apply to West Point, the US Naval Academy, Air Force Academy, or Merchant Marine Academy please do not hesitate to contact our office at AOC.nominations@mail.house.gov.
- 5. We're tracking the potential for a government shutdown as we near the September 30th government funding deadline. Currently, Congressional leaders are negotiating a Continuing Resolution to keep the government funded at current spending levels. To stay informed about legislative developments, our upcoming events and resources, please subscribe to our newsletter on our website.

Finally, please remember that our office is here to assist you with any issues pending before federal agencies. You can reach us by phone at 718-662-5970, and we are available in-person at our Bronx office every Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We are located at 1231 Lafayette Ave, Suite L-610, Bronx, NY 10474.

Office of State Senator Nathalia Fernandez

Legislative Updates

- Enacted Universal School Meals across New York State
- Passed Sackler Bill opioid settlement funds must support ASUD services (not general fund)
- Increased transparency for Opioid Settlement Fund allocations
- Ferry Point Park Playground: construction began July 2025, completion expected July 2026

Community Announcements

- 900+ backpacks with school supplies distributed at back-to-school events
- Free community resource & benefit enrollment fairs every Saturday in all 5 boroughs (NYC Public Engagement Unit & HRA)
- Summer EBT 2025 applications closed (deadline Sept. 4); late submissions will be reviewed for 2026 program



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Bronx Community 9 General Meeting Report - September 18th, 2025

Community Updates:

- **5 Bridges Project** The Department of Transportation has removed options 1A and 1B from the proposals. These options would have created a permanent connector to the 5 overpasses between Rosedale Ave and Southern Boulevard. This decision was based on public hearings and efforts from our office and other elected officials to liaise from stakeholders and State DOT in the past year. This leaves the public with 2 options, a temporary connector for the 4-year duration of the construction of this project or no connector that would then extend the project to 6 years. DOT and the public continue to evaluate these options while the DOT continues to conduct an environmental assessment.
- **BJ's is coming to District 87** Our office and other elected officials have met with representatives of BJ's, and they have informed us that they have secured a lease for the former Kmart Property in the Bruckner commons area. The landlord has started preliminary construction in the property and BJ's is set to start their construction in mid-October with an anticipation open date in the Fall of 2026. They expect to create a mix of 150 part-time and full-time job opportunities.
- Castle Hill Business Walk-through Assembly Member Reyes did a walk-through of the Castle Hill Business Corridor with State Comptroller Thomas P. DiNapoli and State Senator Nathalia Fernandez with the Castle Hill Business Improvement District. They were able to return thousands of dollars in unclaimed funds to businesses in that area. As per a report from the Comptroller's office the Castle Hill area in the Bronx has \$68 million in unclaimed funds.

Previous Events:

- Back-to-School Season The Back-to-School season was a huge success we were able to provide over 1,000 backpacks to our young students in our community! We had our main Parkchester event on Friday August 22nd. We partnered up with various community organizations such as the office of Senator Nathalia Fernandez, Morris Heights Health Center, the Mayor's PEU, the Fresh air Fund, SAPNA NYC, the Oyate Group, Justice4Familes, and so much more to provide backpacks, school supplies and necessary information from all our offices.
- **Jamie Towers Shredding Event** We hosted another successful shredding event on Friday, August 1st in partnership with the Department of Sanitation and we are hoping to host another one in the Parkchester area soon.
- Housing Preservation & Development in District 87 We hosted 2 HPD van events in our district this summer, the first was in front of our office in the Parkchester area on June 27th and the second was in front of Ponce Bank on July 18th. We had a good number of constituents come to get questions answered and caught the attention of folks walking by who needed the information.

Events:

Mammogram Bus – For Breast Cancer Awareness Month, we are hosting a mammogram bus at no cost on Thursday, September 25th in front of our office at 1973 Westchester Ave, Bronx, NY 10462. Please call our office, visit the website: tinyurl.com/get-screened2025 or scan the QR code to make an appointment anywhere from 9 am – 4 pm. Women eligible are from ages 40 – 75, NYC resident, and have not had a mammogram in the past year.



• 6th Annual Trunk-or-Treat – This year we will be hosting Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday October 25th from 11 am – 2 pm at Castle Hill Playground located at 1679 Castle Hill Ave, Bronx, NY 10462. Join us for all the spooky activities!



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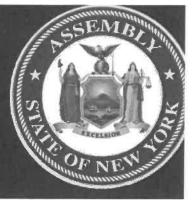
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Scan QR code or call the Assemblymember's office at (718) 893-0202 to make an appointment.













September 2025 Community Board Report

COMMUNITY BOARDS

Welcome back Community board members! We hope you had a wonderful summer. A special welcome as well to our newly appointed members — we're excited to have you join us. We look forward to working alongside all of you in the year ahead and want to remind you all that our office is here to be a resource of information and support. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions of concerns.

Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson allocated nearly \$4.5 million in FY26 funding to support housing, infrastructure, and educational initiatives. Key investments include roof and façade repairs, new affordable housing construction, STEM labs and tech-forward learning environments. These investments reflect a strong commitment to housing stability and educational innovation in CB 9.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON HOSTS COMMUNITY BOARD NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION AND SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson hosted the annual Community Board New Member Orientation and Swearing-In Ceremony at Lehman College, welcoming over 70 new appointed members to the borough's 12 Community Boards. This year's ceremony marked the third in-person orientation and swearing-in ceremony since the pandemic, underscoring the vital role of local leadership and civic engagement across the Bronx.

This year, the Borough President's Office received over 500 applications, a reflection of the deep commitment Bronx residents have to serving and advocating for their communities. Of those selected, three-quarters are between the ages of 16 and 49, bringing fresh perspectives and renewed energy to their respective community boards. The appointees represent the borough's diversity, including parents, LGBTQIA+ residents, immigrants, veterans, union members, and non-native English speakers.

During the ceremony, a moment of silence was observed in memory of Pastor Marcel Langhorn Jr., who was recently appointed to Community Board 4 and tragically passed away on August 12th. The new member orientation date was also his birthday. Pastor Langhorn served as a peace officer at CUNY for more than 25 years, a member of the LACA chaplain association, and Senior Pastor of D3 Ministries. A devoted husband and father of nine, his service and legacy were honored by all in attendance.

"With over 500 Bronxites applying this year, it is clear that our residents want to play a critical

role in shaping the future of our borough," said **Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson.**"This class of community board appointees truly reflects the beautiful diversity and spirit of the Bronx—parents, youth, immigrants, union members, veterans, and neighbors who are committed to enacting change in their neighborhoods. Congratulations to all the new members! We wish them the very best and look forward to their advocacy."

The orientation equipped new members with tools and resources to begin their service, including workshops on parliamentary procedure, land use and planning, civic engagement, and conflict of interest guidelines. The evening also reinforced the Community Board Code of Conduct, implemented in 2023, which emphasizes professionalism, respect, and accountability—principles for effective community leadership as boards transition back to inperson meetings.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON HOSTS PRESS CONFERENCE ANNOUNCING \$1.5 MILLION INVESTMENT IN PUBLIC SAFETY

\$1.5 Million to fund 'Clean Streets are Safe Streets' initiative to combat illegal dumping

Bronx, NY—On Tuesday, August 26th, at 10:00 a.m., Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson joined representatives from the NYPD, DSNY, NYC Parks, NYC DOT, the Sanitation Foundation, and ASEZ WAO to host a press conference at Lou Gehrig Plaza to announce a \$1.5 million investment in public safety. This includes \$1 million to the NYPD for enhanced surveillance, including the installation of new security cameras, and \$500,000 to DSNY for security cameras as part of the Borough President's 'Clean Streets are Safe Streets' initiative. These investments represent a critical step toward combating illegal dumping, enhancing public safety, and improving the quality of life for Bronx residents.

This announcement builds on the commitments Borough President Gibson outlined during her 2025 State of the Borough address, where she pledged to prioritize funding to combat illegal dumping. In FY25, the Bronx Borough President's Office allocated resources for security cameras and a mobile command unit, and this year's allocations expand on that foundation with additional targeted investments in public safety.

"Bedroom sets and mattresses belong in our homes, but they do *not* belong on our streets, in our parks, or in our playgrounds," said Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson. "Today, we are joining with our city agencies and community groups to send a clear message: if you dump on the Bronx, you will be held accountable. Our parks and sidewalks belong to all of us, and it's up to each of us to help take care of them. When we respect and preserve our shared spaces, we are fostering community pride and making our neighborhoods safer. I want to thank the NYPD, DSNY, NYC Parks, NYC DOT, the Sanitation Foundation, and ASEZ WAO for their partnership on our *'Clean Streets are Safe' Streets* initiative and commitment to improving our residents' quality of life."

"I am pleased to be here with Borough President Vanessa Gibson to announce funding to help the Bronx be the pretty place it can and should be," said Bronx District Attorney Darcel Clark. "That

means pristine parks and clean streets and sidewalks. It means the beauty of feeling safe. The bulk of the \$1.5 million Borough President Gibson is allocating will go to the NYPD for cameras in high-crime spots. \$500,000 will go to Sanitation, to install cameras to deter illegal dumping. Our residents should not have eyesores and potentially dangerous items ruining our environment. We hope the City will install these as soon as possible. We need help to stop illegal dumping, and to curb violence."

During the press conference, the Borough President also highlighted ASEZ WAO and the Sanitation Foundation, two groups she collaborated with over the summer to host cleanups across the borough to promote community pride, environmental responsibility, and safer streets. These initiatives brought together youth volunteers and local residents to promote community engagement and involvement.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON'S STATEMENT ON THE REPURPOSING OF THE HISTORIC BRONX GENERAL POST OFFICE

New York City Mayor Eric Adams, The City University of New York (CUNY) Chancellor Félix V. Matos Rodríguez, Hostos Community College President Dr. Daisy Cocco De Filippis, and MADD Equities announced today \$12.3 million in funding to lease a new space that will serve as a life sciences facility for Hostos Community College in the Bronx. With \$12.3 million in baselined funding from the city, developer BPO Owner LLC will embark on an approximately \$70 million renovation of a portion of the historic Bronx General Post Office to develop a state-of-the-art facility for healthcare programs.

"Repurposing the historic Bronx General Post Office into a center for learning and discovery shows how we're reimagining space to empower our Bronx scholars. In these new labs and classrooms, students will gain the hands-on training they need to enter careers in health and science that are not only high-demand but life-sustaining for their families. This means more nurses, radiology technicians, dental hygienists, and soon, new programs in surgical nursing, occupational therapy, surgical technology, and home health care. I want to thank Mayor Eric Adams, CUNY Chancellor Félix Matos Rodríguez, Hostos President Dr. Daisy Cocco De Filippis, and the Maddd Equities team for their investment in our scholars and our Borough."

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON JOINS COMMUNITY LEADERS TO LAUNCH HEALTHY BODEGA/BODEGA FRESCA "2025 HEALTHY FALL CHOICES" MENU

Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson joined community partners to celebrate the launch of the Healthy Bodega/ Bodega Fresca "2025 Healthy Fall Choices" menu. This initiative brings fresh, culturally inspired grab-and-go meals and snacks into local bodegas in the South Bronx, ensuring Bronx residents have access to affordable, nutritious, and delicious food options in neighborhoods historically impacted by food insecurity.

"This healthy bodega initiative is about justice. It's about transforming bodegas into spaces where health and culture meet and our families can find affordable, fresh meals that reflect who we are and where we come from," said Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson. "I want to thank all the partners involved in this project for their partnership and commitment to ensuring access to

healthy food remains a right for all and not a privilege for a select few."

"For years, we've worked alongside Bronx families to reshape food access and push for systemic solutions. Healthy Bodega/Bodega Fresca is a direct result of this shared advocacy and strategic collaboration," said Shen'naque Sean Butler, Founder of the FRESCH Initiative.

"It's time for bodegas to be part of the solution to our community health challenges," said Francisco Marte, President of the Bodega and Small Business Group. "We are proud to have brought Bronx bodega owners together in a partnership that shows what's possible when store owners and community leaders join forces to create profitable, healthy food options. Our mission is Healthy Bodegas and Healthy Communities."

"We are excited that six Bronx bodegas are offering healthier and affordable food choices to their customers," said Bronx Health REACH Project Director Charmaine Ruddock. "These grab-andgo offerings make it accessible for Bronx residents to eat healthier at their local bodegas."

"At Collective Fare, our 'secret sauce' lies in the blend of passion, purpose and community-centered values that drive everything we do. We're not just about serving incredible food; we're about creating experiences that leave a positive impact on both people and the planet," said LaToya Meaders, CEO of Collective Fare and Kitchen.

Bodega Fresca was created to bring fresh, culturally inspired grab-and-go foods into Bronx neighborhood corner stores with bodega and community leadership at the forefront. Sponsored by a grant from the New York Health Foundation, this unique collaboration of commercial and public health partners continues to work directly with Bronx consumers, bodegas, schools, and community groups to taste-test, design, and produce family-focused, healthy, and delicious Grab and Go meals and snacks for sale at local bodegas in the Hunts Point/Longwood area.

The new *Healthy Bodega/Bodega Fresca* Fall lineup, specially crafted by Collective Fare, includes energizing cold fresh-squeezed drinks (lightly sweetened with agave and honey) and crunchy, crave-worthy snacks. New items include:

Refresh-Red Limeade (zesty lime, beet, hibiscus, raspberry--packed with anti-oxidants); Coconut Carrot Ginger Glow Coolers (creamy coconut, carrot, ginger, citrus, turmeric); Tropical Mint Coolers (pineapple, cucumber, lime, mint), plus sweet island-inspired snacks for school, work or gym, a natural energy boost with no crash: Coconut and Guava Oatmeal Energy Bites (soft and chewy) and Spiced Coconut, Chia and Tamarind Granola Bites.

BOROUGH PRESIDENT GIBSON ANNOUNCES GREATER MORRIS PARK PUBLIC WORKSHOP TO GATHER COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AS PART OF THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION INITIATIVE (DRI) \$20 MILLION GRANT

Bronx Borough President Vanessa L. Gibson invites the Greater Morris Park community to attend a Public Workshop to help shape the neighborhood's future as part of the New York State Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI). Greater Morris Park has been awarded \$20 million

through the DRI to implement catalytic projects that will strengthen commercial corridors, support long-term economic growth, and enhance quality of life.



GREATER FORDHAM ROAD CORRIDOR

Downtown Revitalization Initiative

NOW ACCEPTING CAPITAL PROJECT PROPOSALS

The Bronx Borough President's Office is pleased to announce that we are now accepting capital project proposals for consideration as part of the Greater Fordham Road Corridor Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) application for 2025. This effort aims to advance equitable, community-driven investment in the Fordham, Kingsbridge Heights, and Belmont neighborhoods.

We are seeking project ideas that can deliver long-term economic development, enhance the public realm, or improve neighborhood infrastructure. All proposals must:

- Be located within the Greater Fordham Road Corridor DRI study area (see project boundaries map)
- Be capital in nature (bricks-and-mortar, physical infrastructure, etc.)
- Support improvements that serve the broader community

Whether you are part of a nonprofit, cultural institution, small business, or a concerned community member with a vision for meaningful change — we welcome your input.

How to Submit a Project

Please fill out the DRI Project Submission Form and send it to: bxbpplanning@bronxbp.nuc.gov



More info on DRI at: www.ny.gov/programs/downtown-revitalization-Initiative



More Information

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Greater Fordham Road Corridor
Project Boundaries

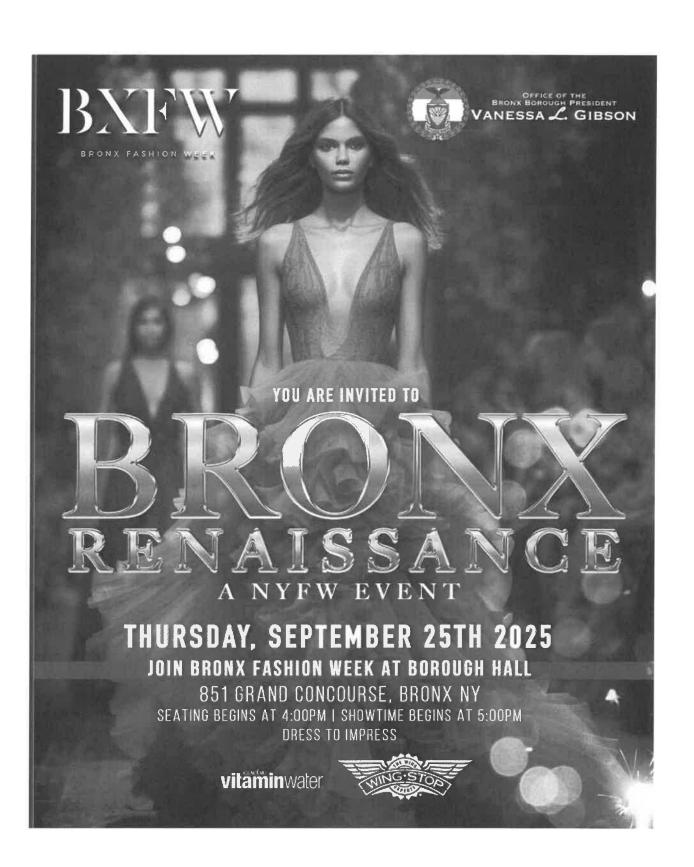




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PLEASE REGISTER VIA THE **QR CODE** PROVIDED ABOVE IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: DAVID COULIBALY AT DCOULIBALY@BRONXBP.NYC.GOV OR 917-769-2866 -OR- MILLICENT MATOS AT MMATOS@BRONXBP.NYC.GOV OR 718-590-3513

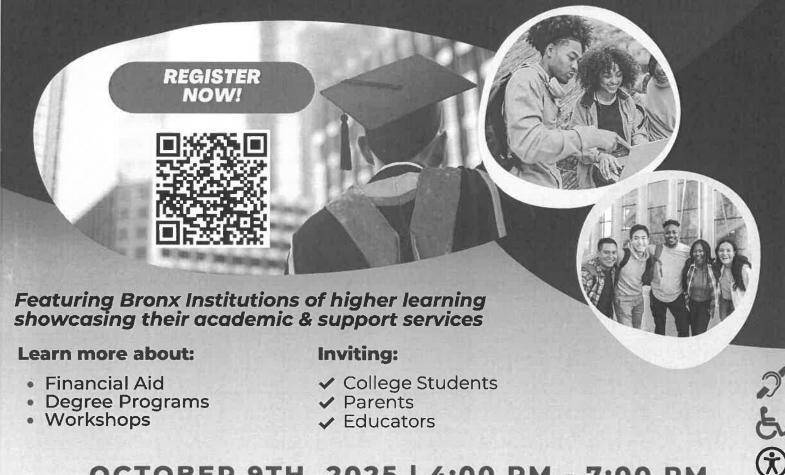






In Partnership with the Bronx Higher Education Task Force, Hosts

2025 Graduate Fair



- Financial Aid
- Degree Programs
- Workshops

- ✓ College Students
- ✓ Parents
- ✓ Educators

OCTOBER 9TH, 2025 | 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM **MERCY UNIVERSITY - BRONX CAMPUS**

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- Boricua College
- Bronx Community College
- Fordham University
- Hostos Community College
- · Lehman College
- Manhattan University

- Mercy University
- Metropolitan College of New York
- Monroe University
- SUNY Maritime College
- University of Mount Saint Vincent
- Yeshiva University

BRONX YOUTH COUNCIL

Applications are *Live!*

The Bronx Youth Council in partnership with the Borough President's team researches policy issues, assists with planning youth events, and explores careers in public service and advocacy.

ELIGIBILITY:

- √ Grades 9-12
- Availability to attend bi-weekly meetings at Borough Hall during the school year
- ✓ Have strong connections to the Bronx
- Interest in civic engagement, local

 ✓ government, public service and/or advocacy

WHERE TO APPLY:







GREATER MORRIS PARK

Greater Morris Park will receive \$20 million in funding as the New York City region winners of DRI Round 8.

The Governor's Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) is a New York State grant program that invests in downtown economic development. After submitting a winning application, the Greater Morris Park community will work with the State to develop a Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) that identifies community priority projects that could benefit from DRI funding and help achieve the local community's vision for its downtown.



SUBMIT A PROJECT!

As part of the DRI process the community will identify transformative projects that may be realized with an investment from the DRI. Submit project proposals from June 13 - August 08, 2025



UPCOMING EVENTS

Local Planning Committee Meetings

LPC 4: September 9th LPC 5: October 7th LPC 6: October 28th

Public Workshop September 16th 2025 Residence Inn by Marriott, 1776 Eastchester Rd, Bronx, NY 10461

VISIT WWW.GMPDRI.COM for more info



Re-entry Employment Resource Fair

The Bronx District Attorney's Office is hosting a Re-entry Employment Resource

Fair for justice-impacted individuals re-entering the community. This event will be held on

Tuesday, September 30, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at St. James Recreation Center, 2530

Jerome Ave, Bronx NY 10468.

This fair is designed to support individuals, their families, and friends impacted by the justice system by connecting them with valuable community resources, including job opportunities, employment support, DMV services for ID assistance, health and mental health care, legal rights education, and access to educational and trade programs.

Please share this information and flyer! Bring your ID or another form of identification, certifications, OSHA credentials, and resume. All are welcome, dress to impress and take the next step toward your future! "

8th Annual Run/Walk/Roll to End Domestic Violence

The Bronx District Attorney's Office, in partnership with the Bronx Borough President's Office, Urban Resource Institute, 161 Street BID, and the New York Yankees, is holding our 8th Annual Run/Walk/Roll to End Domestic Violence on Saturday, October 18th, 2025, as part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

All are welcome to join DA Clark, your colleagues, survivors of abuse, and other members of the community in our BXDA annual event. Survivors will begin the event by



speaking about their experiences and bravery. Not only will we raise awareness, we will demand a call to action so that the ultimate goal of ending domestic violence may someday be realized.

The event starts and ends at Lou Gehrig Plaza near the Supreme Court steps at 161st Street and the Grand Concourse at 9:30 AM. The first 1000 to register and attend will receive a DV 5K T-shirt. The first 1000 to complete the 5K will receive a DV 5K Run/Walk/Roll medal. You can register using the link below or scan the QR code on the attached flyer.

Join Our Interfaith Community Directory

The Bronx District Attorney's Office works diligently to maintain a community directory to help foster unity, share important updates, and coordinate events. We would like to ensure that you and your organization is included in this directory. Participation will help you stay informed about upcoming interfaith gatherings, service opportunities, and community initiatives hosted by the BXDA.

Join Our Youth Advisory Council

The Bronx District Attorney Darcel Clark's Youth Advisory Council is an exciting initiative to empower Bronx students in grades 8-12 as advocates for meaningful change. As members, young people will have the opportunity to share with DA Clark their valuable insights and perspectives on matters affecting them and their community.

Topics to Include

- Youth Safety
- Gun Violence
- Community Engagement
- Understanding the Criminal Justice System

Deadline to apply is September 26, 20225.

If you have any questions, email bxdayac@bronxda.nyc.gov

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DARCEL D. CLARK

INTERFAITH DIRECTORY



The Bronx District Attorney's Office maintains a community directory to strengthen communication and collaboration with religious leaders and organizations in our borough. This initiative aims to foster unity, share important updates, and coordinate events that benefit our broader community.

We would be honored to include your contact information in this directory. Participation will help ensure you are informed about upcoming interfaith gatherings, service opportunities, and community-wide initiatives.

Please take a minute to complete the form available through the QR code below.









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Your Bronx DA Clark's



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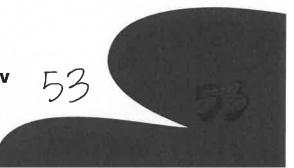


Deadline to apply **September 26, 2025**



Questions? Email us bxdayac@bronxda.nyc.gov

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OFFICE OF THE BRONX DISTRICT ATTORNEY

DARCEL D. CLARK

RE-ENTRY ENPLOYMENT RESOURCE FAIR

Tuesday September 30, 202510:00 am - 2:00 pm

St. James Recreation Center 2530 Jerome Avenue Bronx, NY 10468



What to Expect

- Workshops on resume building, interview skills, and job readiness
- Employment support through education opportunities and DMV services
- Network with community organizations and peers
- · Free refreshments and giveaways
- Support programs, health and mental health services





Come Prepared

- Please bring a form of identification
- Your resume and cover letter
- Any certifications or OSHA credentials
- Dress professionally

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