



**Community Board #4**  
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**Monthly Community Board #4 Meeting**

Hope Gardens Multi-Service Center  
 195 Linden Street (Corner Wilson Avenue), Brooklyn, NY 11221  
**\*\*\* Wednesday, October 21, 2009, 6:00PM \*\*\***

**Public Agenda Item(s)**

1. NYC Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene—H1N1 and Flu—Presentation.
2. FY 2011 Capital and Expense Budget Priorities.

**Regular Board Meeting**

**Agenda:**

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| 1. First Roll Call  | 7. Old Business                     |
| 2. Acceptance of Agenda   | 8. New Business                     |
| 3. Acceptance of Previous Meeting's Minutes                                     | 9. Announcements (1.5 minutes only) |
| 4. Chairperson's Report:<br>Introduction of Elected Officials (Representatives) | 10. Second Roll Call                |
| 5. District Manager's Report  | 11. Adjournment                     |
| 6. Committee Reports:   |                                     |
| A) Civic & Religious  | D) Public Safety                    |
| B) Housing & Land-use   | E) Senior Citizens                  |
| C) Health, Hospitals & Human Services   |                                     |

**83rd Precinct Community Council Meeting**  
**Tuesday, 10/20/09**  
**480 Knickerbocker Avenue**  
**Corner Bleecker Street (Muster Room)**  
**6:30PM**

**The Next CEC 32 Meeting**  
**Thursday, October 15, 2009**  
**P.S. 377/ 200 Woodbine Street**  
**\*6:00PM-Working Session**  
**\*7:00PM-Public Session**

The Audrey Johnson Day Care Learning Center has good news to share with you!  
 We are now accepting children born in 2005 and 2006 for further information please call 718-574-0130 or come in and ask for Ms. Gonzalez or Ms. Ceri.

Audrey Johnson Daycare Center  
 272 Moffat Street  
 Brooklyn, New York 11207  
 Tel.: (718) 574-0130 Fax (718) 573-3733

Quick! Quick!  
 The spaces are going quickly.  
 First Come, First Serve.

El Centreo de Ensenanza de Audrey Johnson de Cuidado Infantil tiene buenas noticias para compartir con uds.  
 Nosotros ahora estamos aceptando niños que hicieron en el año 2005 y 2006. Para mas informacion favor de llamar al 718-574-0130 o vengan y preguntan por Ms. Gonzalez o Ms. Ceri.

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Rapido! Rapido!  
 El espacio esta haciendo Rapido.  
 Primer niño/a que venga, será atendida/o

## OBAMA'S "MAKING HOME AFFORDABLE" PLAN: OVERVIEW FOR NYC HOMEOWNERS

In March 2009, the Obama administration launched the "Making Home Affordable" plan to help homeowners avoid foreclosure. Under the plan, homeowners who meet certain requirements may be eligible to modify or refinance their mortgage loans. The "Making Home Affordable" plan is available to owner-occupants of 1-4 family homes. There are no income limits, but you must be able to afford loan payments going forward.

### Loan Modification

If you cannot afford your mortgage loan, you may be eligible for a loan modification-or a change to the terms of your loan -to make your monthly payment affordable.

#### You might qualify, if:

1. You are behind on your loan payments

#### OR

2. You are at risk of falling behind due to circumstances such as:
  - Job loss or decrease in income
  - Change in family financial situation (such as death or illness in family)
  - Increase in household expenses (such as unexpected medical debt or increase in mortgage payments)
  - Excessive household debt

### Loan Refinance

If your mortgage loan is owned or guaranteed by **Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac**, you may be able to refinance into a lower interest rate loan,

#### You might qualify, if:

1. You are current on your loan payments
2. The amount you owe on your loan is not more than 105% of your home's value

To find out if your mortgage loan is owned or guaranteed by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac:

- Ask your lender or servicer
- Call 1-800-7-FANNIE or 1-800-FREDDIE
- Visit [www.fanniemae.com/loanlookup](http://www.fanniemae.com/loanlookup) or [www.freddie.com/mymortgage](http://www.freddie.com/mymortgage)

## Action Steps for NYC Homeowners

1. **Contact your lender or loan Servicer** to find out if you are eligible to modify or refinance your loan under the "Making Home Affordable" plan.
2. **Call 311** to find a free foreclosure prevention counselor or legal services attorney in your area, who can help determine if you are eligible under the plan, or if you have other options.
3. **AVOID SCAMS!** Beware of anyone who promises to save your home for a fee, charges upfront fees for counseling or loan modification help, or pressures you to sign over your deed.

### Resources for Children with Special Needs, Inc.

116 East 16th Street, 5th Floor, New York 10003

Tel.: (212) 677-4650 Fax (212) 254-4070 / [info@resourcesnyc.org](mailto:info@resourcesnyc.org)

25th Anniversary SPECIAL CAMP FAIR 2010

Free Training Series-**What's Out There & How to Get It** for families and professionals needing programs and services for children with disabilities.

#### Save the Date!

Saturday, January 30, 2010

11AM-3PM

#### Free Admission

Church of St. Paul the Apostle

Columbus Avenue & West 60th Street

### Brooklyn Public Library

#### All Neighborhood Libraries

BPL will offer full six-day service at every neighborhood library:

- Monday through Friday, and on Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm
- Morning service starting at 10 am three weekdays per week
- Late night service to 8pm one weeknight per week.
- Sixteen libraries will be open Thursday night 8 pm, as well. (We plan to expand this additional late night throughout the borough as funding allows)

**Bedford Central Community Development Corp.**

Presents The

**Home Buyer Seminar Series**Sponsored by: **Assemblywoman Annette Robinson**

16 Week Program: 4 Courses/4 Weeks Each

**Beginning Tuesday, October 20, 2009****6:30 PM—8:30 PM** at**Bedford Central Presbyterian Church****1200 Dean Street, Brooklyn, New York 11216****718-467-0740****Down payment Assistance to those who  
Qualify****Grants Available to those who  
Qualify****\$20 one time cost & application fee for all  
16 Sessions****Certificates and a Pre-qualification letter for a Home Loan will be Given to Each Graduate that Qualifies****Courses**

- **Getting Ready for Home Purchase & Available Grants**
- **Repairing & Building Your Credit**
- **Budgeting for your Home Purchase and Getting Pre-Qualified**
- **Minor Repair and Maintenance of your Home or Apartment**

Mail in form or register the night you attend  
1200 Dean Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216**Registration Form****You can attend any number of sessions from one to sixteen****Make check or Money orders payable to Bedford Central Community Development Corp.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person Wayne Devonish 718-467-0740 ext. 15 or 917-297-2365 / Email [wmdkaos@aol.com](mailto:wmdkaos@aol.com)

Sponsored by: Bedford Central Presbyterian Church / Reverend Dr. Clive Neil, Senior Pastor

**Open House**

New Affordable Housing Development as part of New York Cities New Foundations Program

**Sunday, October 25, 2009****From 2:00PM-5:00PM**

Starting At 120 Marion Street Between Malcolm X Blvd &amp; Patchen Ave. in Bedford Stuyvesant Brooklyn

**Beautiful New Construction / Row House Style/ Three Family Town Homes****Developers:** Central Brooklyn Community Services Corp and Community Developers, Inc.For more information contact Wayne Devonish at 718-363-2750 or 917-297-2365 or email him at [wmdkaos@aol.com](mailto:wmdkaos@aol.com)**Website: [www.marion-sumpter-newhomes.com](http://www.marion-sumpter-newhomes.com)**

## A YOUTH AT RISK PROGRAM PATHWAYS

Pathways supports children with parents in jail,

ages 4-18 years old.

You'll be able to enjoy

### OVERNIGHT CAMPING TRIPS.

Free tickets to movies,

Sporting events, shows, and much more.

### FUN WITH YOUR PERSONAL MENTOR 4 HOURS A MONTH.

And it's all **FREE!**

We also offer

### ACADEMIC TUTORING, JOB READINESS SUPPORT & GED PREP CLASSES.

If you want more information about PATHWAYS

Please contact:

**Tanesha Ingram, Pathways Program Manager**

**212-791-4927, Ext. 224**

## DEPARTMENT OF SANITATION BACK TO SCHOOL

### The Importance of the New Three Rs

School is open and kids are heading back to class not only to practice the traditional academic **three Rs—reading, writing and arithmetic**—but also **master the three big environmental Rs: Reducing, Reusing and Recycling!** But the new three Rs, simple as they are to understand, are not always easy to implement, either at home or in the classroom, because they require that we all change some long-standing wasteful habits.

### NYC Department for the Aging

The New York City Department for the Aging's Annual Plan Summary (APS) 2010-2011 is now available on our website, at [www.nyc.gov/aging](http://www.nyc.gov/aging). Plan shares DFTA's goals, objectives, and program initiatives with the aging network. The Department will also be conducting public hearings on the Annual Plan at the following venues:

#### **BROOKLYN**

**Tuesday, October 27, 2009**

10 a.m.—12 noon

Brooklyn Borough Hall Courtroom

209 Joralemon Street

Brooklyn, NY 11207

### NYC Department of Education

The New York City Department of Education today announced its annual series of fall events that will assist students and their families in choosing a high school. Families can also attend borough high school fairs on October 24 and 25 and workshops in October and November to learn more about high school options and the admissions process.

Eighth and ninth grade students applying to high school this year are strongly encouraged to attend the fair. Seventh grade students who want to start learning about their high school options are also invited.

Additionally, the Department will host five borough high school fairs on Saturday, October 24 and Sunday, October 25, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. These fairs will focus exclusively on schools in the boroughs where they are held. The locations for the fair is as follows:

- **Brooklyn-Edward R. Murrow High School (1600 Avenue L)**

The Department will also offer workshops on the high school admissions process for families in October and November at locations throughout the City. The schedule for these workshops will be available at the Citywide High School Fair, at schools, and on the Department's Web site ([www.nyc.gov/schools/enrollment](http://www.nyc.gov/schools/enrollment)). In February, the Department will conduct a series of information fairs for the new schools that will open in fall 2009.

### Wealth Building Tuesdays

Workshop Series

Financial Education Personal Financial Basics

#### **Tuesday Workshops**

**October 6—October 27, 2009**

**6:30 pm—8:30 pm**

Presenter:

Lynn Tollett, Vice President, HSBC Mortgage Corp. USA

- Managing Your Money and Banking
- Credit History, Using Credit Wisely
- Basics of Borrowing & Preventing Identity Theft
- Home Ownership and Managing Your Mortgage

#### **Location**

Bedford Stuyvesant Restoration Corporation

1368 Fulton Street, Brooklyn, NY 11216

To Register or For Information: Contact Bernice McRae @ 718-636-6924 or email: [bmcr@restorationplaza.org](mailto:bmcr@restorationplaza.org)

## Prevent Influenza

Influenza (flu) is a respiratory (lung) infection that causes fever and a cough or sore throat.

### Seasonal Influenza

- Seasonal flu is most common during the fall and winter months.
- Every year, more than 2,000 New Yorkers die of seasonal influenza and pneumonia, which can develop as a complication of flu.
- Vaccination is the best way to protect against seasonal flu. Flu vaccine can be given in a shot (needle injection), or in a nasal spray called FluMist (for healthy people aged 2 to 49). Your doctor can tell you what is right for you.
- Seasonal flu vaccinations are available from September through June. The sooner you're vaccinated, the sooner you'll be protected.

### Where can I get a seasonal flu vaccination?

- Get your yearly flu vaccination from your family doctor or primary-care provider.
- Many pharmacies now offer seasonal flu vaccinations for adults.
- Many employers offer free or low-cost yearly vaccinations
- People 50 and older can get free seasonal flu vaccinations at select city senior centers (call 311 to find out where).
- Seasonal flu vaccinations are available at no cost at Health Department immunization clinics, and at low or no cost at Health and Hospitals Corporation facilities.

## H1N1 Influenza:

### What You Need to Know

#### 1. What is H1N1 influenza?

Like regular, seasonal flu, H1N1 influenza (swine flu) is a respiratory (lung) infection. It causes fever and a cough or sore throat that can last a week or more. Some people also get diarrhea and Vomiting . For more information, see **“What to do if you get flu-like symptoms.”**

#### 2. How serious is it?

H1N1 caused some severe illness last spring. But the great majority of infections did not cause Complications or require any medical treatment.

#### 3. Will my seasonal flu vaccination protect me against H1N1 influenza?

No, Seasonal flu vaccine will not work against H1N1 flu. To protect against both kinds of flu, people will need 2 different vaccinations: one for seasonal flu, and one for H1N1.

#### 4. Who should receive H1N1 influenza vaccine?

The following people should receive H1N1 vaccine, in addition to a seasonal flu vaccination:

- Pregnant women
- People who live with or care for children younger than 6 months
- Health care and emergency medical services workers
- Children and young adults aged 6 months to 24 years
- People aged 25 to 64 years with certain long-term health conditions that make them more likely to get very sick with the flu.

#### 5. Where can I get vaccination?

H1N1 vaccine will be available in many of the same places where people get seasonal flu vaccine.

**Call 311** or visit these websites:

From the City of New York: [www.nyc.gov/flu](http://www.nyc.gov/flu)

From the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/general\\_info.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/general_info.htm)