Community Board #4 Regular Monthly Meeting Wednesday, December 16, 2009 Hope Gardens Multi Service Center 195 Linden Street (Corner of Wilson Avenue) Brooklyn, New York 11221 6:00PM

District Manager, Nadine Whitted Announced:

As of December 7th, 2009 applications for the Moffat Gardens Senior Houses are available at the offices of the Ridgewood Bushwick Senior Citizens Council located at 217 Wyckoff Avenue or the Family Services Network of New York located at 1420 Bushwick Avenue between 9am and 5pm. Applications can also be obtained by mail:

Moffat Gardens Senior Houses Applications, 217 Wyckoff Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11237, please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Request for applications by mail must be received by December 31st, 2009. Completed applications must be sent by regular mail (not certified or registered mail) and must be postmarked no later than January 15th, 2010 to the Post Office Box address indicated on the application. Applications received after January 15th, 2010 will not be processed. The apartments consists of 55 one-bedroom units, 22 one-bedroom assisted living program (ALP) units and 4 studio ALP units located at 22 Moffat Street, Brooklyn, NY between Bushwick Avenue and Broadway. The apartments will be rented to the elderly with limited income. Applicants must be ages 62 years or older at the time of application. Qualifications for all apartments will be based on Section 8 Federal Guidelines. In addition, qualifications for the ALP units will be based on New York state Department of Health guidelines.

Welcome to Ms. Alexandria Lopez who is the new director of the Hope Gardens Senior Citizen Center. The Community Board is very thankful to her for allowing us to continue to have our meetings at the center.

Mr. Mostafa Ahmed, US Census Bureau: Census Positions are available and census takers are needed. Mr. Ahmed requested anyone who lives in the Bushwick community and is interested to take the employment test and be a census taker. Mr. Ahmed has lived in the Bushwick community for 23 years and he is now employed by the US Census Bureau.

For the Bushwick Community to receive the funds that are needed an accurate count is necessary!!

Those interested must be a US citizen, be at least 18 years of age, have a valid social security number, pass the written test of basic skills, pass a background check and commit to 3 ½ days of training.

Announcements:

<u>District Manager</u>: RBSCC will have a hot meal available on Christmas Day at the Senior Citizen Center located at 319 Stanhope Street. For more information please call 718-366-3038.

Rachel Devlin, Green Fitness Studio: Opens Monday December 21, 2009 at 5:00am, in the evening at 10:00pm there will be a party. Organic juice bar, yoga, Pilates, etc. are available. For more information: 347-599-0663

<u>Alejandro Echeverri, Councilmember Diana Reyna</u>: On January 6th, 2010 there will be a meeting about the census and what it will mean for the community. Census information will be used to determine federal and state funding. The more people counted the more money it will mean for the community for agencies such as the Fire Department, Hospitals, and schools, etc. The location of the meeting and time will follow in the upcoming weeks.

Alejandro sends greetings from Councilmember Diana Reyna and Happy Holidays.