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A Hunger for Change: Food Insecurity in NYC

By Jibreel Jalloh

Food insecurity in New York City is not an abstract statistic — it is a daily reality for nearly 1.9 million residents, a figure that has surged by 76% since 2021. The rising tide of hunger is forcing many households, including one in six with children, to confront an ever-deepening struggle for basic sustenance.

The core of this crisis is the soaring cost of living. As expenses for food, housing, utilities, clothing and other essentials outstrip stagnant wage growth, more New Yorkers are pushed below the poverty line. Recent data reveal that 14% of the city's population now lives in food-insecure households, with the impact hitting hardest in the Bronx, where one in five residents — and an alarming one in three children — are affected. This pattern of disparity underscores a broader systemic failure that disproportionately impacts marginalized communities.

Food insecurity is a multifaceted issue. It is not merely about the absence of food on the table but about a cascade of challenges that compromise the well-being of individuals and families. The struggle to secure an adequate meal often forces families to make impos-

sible choices, such as sacrificing other essentials like housing or healthcare. The psychological and physical toll of such decisions reverberates throughout communities, diminishing opportunities for long-term economic stability.

Critical lifelines like SNAP, free or reduced-price school meals, and community food banks are indispensable in mitigating this crisis. Yet, these programs remain underutilized — only 75% of eligible New Yorkers are enrolled in SNAP. This gap highlights the need for broader outreach and more robust support mechanisms. Policymakers at both the state and federal levels must act decisively. Expanding access to SNAP, enhancing the state's child tax credit and establishing comprehensive housing assistance programs are not just policy options but moral imperatives.

Beyond government initiatives, community involvement is essential. Neighbors can play a vital role by donating to local food banks or volunteering at soup kitchens. By rallying together, we can help ensure that no one in our city is left to face hunger alone.

Addressing food insecurity is more than a matter of public policy — it is a testament to our collective commitment



to dignity and equity. The time to act is now. We must strive to build a future where every resident has reliable access to nutritious food, thereby laying the groundwork for a healthier, more just society.

Jibreel Jalloh is an award-winning organizer with experience working at the highest levels of government. He is the Founder and Executive Director of The Flossy Organization, a nonprofit dedicated to closing the advocacy gap through education and activism. Over the past few years, they have worked to end gun violence, increase transit options and secure investments in local green spaces. Jibreel recently won the prestigious Obama Foundation Scholar award at Columbia University. You can learn more at theflossy.org and follow @theflossyorg.

What's Happening

Thursday, March 6th

Special Town Hall Meeting Community Board 18 1097 Bergen Avenue

7 p.m.

A Special Town Hall regarding the planned lithium-ion battery storage facilities on Flatbush Avenue near Quentin Road. The company, NineDot, did not notify the community board, elected officials or area residents. Please join Community Board 18 and local elected officials for answers from NineDot and New York City agencies.

Thursday, March 6th

69th Precinct Sector C Build the Block
Meeting
Church @ the Rock
1288 East 92nd Street
7 p.m.
Meet your Neighborhood Coordination

Meet your Neighborhood Coordination Officers (NCOs) and discuss public safety concerns affecting Sector C.

Saturday, March 8th

New York Road Runners: Open Run Canarsie Park House Seaview Avenue & East 88th Street 9 a.m.

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Sunday, March 9th

New York Road Runners: Open Run Marine Park - behind Carmine Carro Community Center 3000 Fillmore Avenue 9 a.m.

Tuesday, March 11th

Mill Basin Civic Association Meeting Mary Queen of Heaven Church 1395 East 56th Street 6 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11th

Community Education Council 22
Meeting
Community School District 22 Office
5619 Flatlands Avenue

6:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 11th

Joint Civic Meeting: Bergen Beach, Marine Park, Mill Basin & Mill Island Hudson River Yacht Club 2101 Bergen Avenue 7 p.m.



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Crime Down in Canarsie, Trending in the Right Direction

By Linda Steinmuller

As the 69th Precinct continues to focus its efforts in high crime areas, such as the Flatlands Avenue corridor, overall crime was down by 22% over the recent 28-day period, as reported by Captain Dion Hinds, commanding officer of the 69th Precinct, at the February 25th meeting of the 69th Precinct Community Council, held at the Hebrew Educational Society (H.E.S.), 9502 Seaview Avenue.

"We are trending in the right direction," Hinds said, also stating that overall crime in the entire city is down.

Grand larceny auto continues to be a problem, specifically in the southern part of the precinct, and criminals are targeting newer models of Infinitis (especially the Q50), Toyota Highlanders and Honda CRVs. The captain said that a lot of vehicles are dumped west of the Bayview Houses, near Seaview Avenue and Schenck Street.

To combat this problem, the precinct's midnight team has been deployed to the area, between the hours of 11:15 p.m. and 6 a.m. Hinds said that residents should see a lot of sector cars with their lights on in the affected area.

Honda CRVs and Toyota Highlanders are also being targeted for their tires and rims.

Felony assaults are slightly up, the majority of the crimes involving domestic violence incidents between husband and wives, boyfriends and girlfriends, and even brothers and sisters.

In many cases, the cops have been to the same home four or five times. During home visits, officers offer resources to the families, with the hopes of helping them have a more "peaceful home," Hinds said.

The good news is that robberies are down by 54%, as well as grand larcenies, involving scams against the elderly, which are also down by 54%.

"Canarsie is well known for scams," Hinds said, giving attendees a warning to be extra careful during tax time because there have been cases where thieves are stealing residents' tax refund checks and cashing them.

Derelict vehicles are an ongoing problem in Canarsie.

Hinds said that the precinct towed 34 illegal vehicles off the street in January, and eight overnight, commercial vehicles were booted in February. Anyone who has issues with derelict vehicles on their block, including vehicles without license plates, should report it to the precinct.

Crime Prevention Officer Steven Thompson is available to conduct a free security survey of your home, commercial property or house of worship. He told attendees that he can do a walkthrough of your property, make recommendations and possibly help you save some money on your insurance.

To protect your vehicle, Thompson recommends purchasing an AirTag (for iPhones only), a steering wheel lock or a Faraday wallet (a metal envelope that protects key fobs). If you have a wireless key fob (for an Infiniti Q50, Honda CRV or Toyota Highlander), Thompson has some of these theft protection devices available at the precinct.

Hinds thanked everyone who attended the Valentines Dinner for older adults on February 8th, which was a huge success.

As juvenile violence is prevalent in Canarsie, the 69th Precinct held an NYPD, Parent and Youth Anti-Violence Event at I.S. 68 Bildersee on February 17th. Hinds said the Bildersee area, and the park itself, is the primary location of the violence. "It was the location of three non-fatal shootings and one homicide of an 18-year-old by the hands of a 15-year-old," he said.

He said he was happy with the attendance and the results. "The conversation went in the right direction, of reaching out to our younger teens," he said, thanking all those who attended, including his YCOs and Community Affairs officers.

When the floor was opened to questions by the audience, one person said that a box truck has been parked on the median of Seaview Avenue, between East 84th and East 85th Streets, for three months. This presents a problem for drivers who are turning east from East 85th Street. The resident said it is impossible to see oncoming traffic, and there was an accident at the location about two weeks ago. He has



January Cops of the Month (Brian Fenn and Amir Gul) pictured with Captain Dion Hinds, members of the NYPD and 69th Precinct Community Council, elected officials and clergy.

called 311 and 911 repeated times, but the truck is still there.

Another resident complained that Church Lane is becoming a truck parking lot.

Hinds acknowledged both complaints and said that they would address both issues.

Hinds presented January Cop of the Month awards to two hardworking officers, Amir Gul and Brian Henn.

On January 12th, they responded to a call of shots fired in the Breukelen Houses, on the southwest corner of Flatlands Avenue and East 103rd Street, and located the shooter within minutes. "The officers apprehended the suspect and recovered a firearm without any incident or injury," Hinds said. "For the officers' unwavering bravery and dedication in the face of danger, we are recognizing officers Brian Henn and Amir Gul, as the 69th Precinct cops of the month."

The 69th Precinct Community Council's 9th Annual Gala/Fundraiser will be held on Thursday, May 1st, at Liberty Hall Cathedral of Praise.

The next meeting of the 69th Precinct Community Council will take place on Tuesday, March 25th, at 8 p.m. at the H.E.S.

Brownsville

Woman Dies after Collision with School Bus

By Linda Steinmuller

A 26-year-old woman was killed when the vehicle she was riding in collided with a school bus last week, and the driver was arrested and slapped with a slew of charges.

The collision took place around 1:15 p.m. on Thursday, February 27th, at the intersection of Blake and Van Sinderen Avenues.

Police said Tyree Epps, 32, of East New York, was driving a 2008 Mercedes-Benz C300, heading south-bound on Van Sinderen Avenue, when it struck the rear of a school bus, which was traveling eastbound on Blake Avenue. The impact of the crash caused the bus to strike a box truck, which was parked and unoccupied.

The Mercedes passenger, Imani Vance, of Brownsville, suffered severe head trauma and was brought to Brookdale Hospital where she was later pronounced dead, according to police.

Epps fled the scene, leaving his Mercedes behind, but was shortly taken into custody and charged with manslaughter; criminally negligent homicide; leaving the scene of an accident, resulting in death; imprudent speed; and failure to stop at a stop sign. Epps was unlicensed and also charged with aggravated unlicensed operator.

The school bus driver, a 57-year-old woman, was taken to Kings County Hospital in stable condition.

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Street Trees Get Some TLC

By Angela G. Nannetti

The sun was shining and the weather was mild on Saturday morning, March 1st, as the NYC Parks Department Super Stewards led a "Street Tree Care Event" in Canarsie beginning on East 108th Street and Avenue M.

Fresh Creek Civic Association (FCCA) President Maria Garrett, along with the most devoted members of the group, gathered with dozens of other volunteers from as near as Marine Park and as far off as Queens, to learn how to care for the many beautiful trees that line the streets of the picturesque community.

The Super Stewards, who are volunteers themselves, are trained extensively by the Parks Department to lead in the care of natural areas and are experts on street trees. They explained the tremendous importance of having trees in urban areas, as they filter pollutants from the air, reduce surface temperatures by providing shade, and mitigate flooding and erosion as their roots absorb water during storms. Volunteers from other areas, who said trees in own their neighborhoods have been quickly disappearing, admired just how many trees still line the streets of the Fresh Creek area and marveled at the pleasant atmosphere they create.

The Super Stewards demonstrated

the proper way to aerate, cultivate and mulch trees, equipped volunteers with gloves, weeders, rakes and trowels and sent them off to work in teams of four and five. They worked diligently for hours, going block by block, digging pits around the base of each tree, being very careful not to damage the roots, before surrounding each pit with a loose layer of mulch to protect roots and conserve moisture.

Thanks to the group's hard work, the Fresh Creek area is all the more beautiful and is ready for the upcoming spring season.



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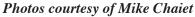
Girl Scouts Pitch in at Pickleball Courts

By Linda Steinmuller

Neither snow, nor sleet, nor even ice, can keep passionate pickleball players from their appointed rounds of pickleball!

About two weeks ago, the path that leads to the entrance of the Marine Park pickleball courts became very slippery and muddy. Marine Park Pickleball Club co-founder Mike Chaiet said it was due to the snow, rain and ice we experienced this winter, causing dangerous conditions.

He reached out to the park's directors, as well as Marine Park Alliance Executive Director Scott Middleton, and the problem was quickly solved. On Sunday, March 2nd, Girl Scout Troop 2165, with some help from Middleton and others, placed some mulch on the slippery surface, smoothing it out in time for spring, when the courts start to get crowded.









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Canarsie Honors 2025: A Night of Celebration, Legacy and Community Impact

By Bristol Hendrix

Under the glow of city lights and the unwavering spirit of community, the Shoot for the Stars Foundation hosted its annual "Canarsie Honors Exclusive Ceremony" at the Bogart House, 230 Bogart Street, on Friday, February 21st.

The evening was more than just a celebration — it was a powerful testament to the strength, resilience and dedication of individuals who have tirelessly worked to uplift Canarsie and beyond.

Audrey Jackson, mother of the late music star "Pop Smoke," started the awards to honor his dream of giving back to the community that raised him. Love for her son is what prompted Jackson to establish Shoot for the Stars.

From the moment guests arrived, the energy

in the room was electric. A live band played classic reggae tunes as honorees, community leaders and supporters gathered, embracing the shared mission of progress and advocacy. The air buzzed with excitement, not just for the recognition of this year's honorees but for the deep sense of unity that events like these foster in the Canarsie community. Assemblywoman Monique Chandler-Waterman made a special surprise visit to honor Shoot for the Stars, recognizing the organization for their work and dedication to the community.

Honoring Those Who Lead and Inspire

This year's Canarsie Honors recognized an extraordinary group of leaders whose dedication has left an indelible mark on the lives of many. The 2025 honorees included:



- Ewan D.A. Simpson A pillar in cultural advocacy and community empowerment.
- Shannon "Shea" Meminger A relentless advocate for youth development and mentorship.
- Sheryl Boyce A champion for educational initiatives and access to resources.
- **Kevin Young** A leader in social justice and policy reform.
- Cynthia Williamston A voice for underserved communities and economic empowerment.
- **Dr. Stephen M. Oddo** A dedicated medical professional improving community health.
- **Dr. Victor Tenenbaum** A humanitarian committed to innovative healthcare solutions.
- Claire Simon An artist whose work reflects the heart and struggles of Canarsie.

Each honoree took the stage to resounding applause, sharing heartfelt words of gratitude, reflection and hope. Their stories painted a picture of perseverance — of battles fought for justice, of voices amplified for the voiceless and of dreams turned into action.

Beyond the awards, Canarsie Honors was a night of artistic expression, music and heartfelt connections. An exclusive art exhibit featured powerful works that spoke to the essence of Canarsie, its struggles and triumphs. Live performances by Dancehall artist Rayvon filled the room with energy, blending Caribbean rhythms with soul-stirring melodies — an homage to the neighborhood's rich cultural heritage. Also, Pop Smoke's clothing line was on display for all to enjoy.

Attendees dined under soft lights, sharing conversations about the future of Canarsie, how to continue building a stronger community and the collective responsibility to uplift one another. The event wasn't just about looking back on achievements — it was about inspiring the next generation to step up, take action and carry the torch forward.

As the night came to a close, there was an overwhelming sense that Canarsie Honors 2025 was not just an event — it was a movement. A reminder that true leadership is measured not by titles but by the lives touched and the changes made.

For those who couldn't attend, the work continues. The Shoot for the Stars Foundation invites the community to stay engaged, support initiatives that drive meaningful change and prepare for an even greater impact in the years to come. To learn more about the honorees, upcoming initiatives or how to get involved, visit **ShootForTheStars.org**.

Canarsie is built on the backs of those who dare to dream, who fight for justice and who believe in the power of unity. On February 21st, those dreams were honored — and the promise of a brighter future was renewed.

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Shoot for the Stars Foundation Hosts Inspiring 'Forever Strong' Event

By Bristol Hendrix

Following the Canarsie Honors Exclusive Ceremony on February 21st, the Shoot for the Stars Foundation held an empowering event titled "Forever Strong" at the New Mount Pisgah Baptist Church, 760 Dekalb Avenue, on Saturday, February 22nd. The event, aimed at encouraging youth to dream big and remain resilient, brought together community leaders, educators and parents for a day filled with mentorship, workshops and motivational discussions.

A Community United for Youth Empowerment

Attendees, including Charise from Crown Heights, learned about the event through social media and found it to be a powerful experience. "The highlight for me was the encouragement — not only for our community but for our children — to know that they can achieve anything. It's about pushing our kids to keep going," she shared. Charise, a mother of three, appreciated the event's focus on nurturing the next generation.

Workshops That Make a Difference

The event featured a range of workshops, including one led by Decius Brown of DCS Brown Speech and Run Toward Christ, who worked with boys, ages 10 to 14, on the importance of character and integrity. "We talked about what it takes to be successful in life. I believe one of the most important things is being your true, authentic self," he said. Brown emphasized the power of leadership and making ethical choices, teaching young attendees how to live a life of integrity and success.

For the middle school girls, another workshop focused on faith-based goal setting. Participants created time capsules to be opened in 2028, listing personal growth goals such as working on their temper and developing patience when facing academic challenges. This activity reinforced the value of long-term goal setting and self-reflection.

Honoring Dedication to the Community

A special moment from the weekend was the recognition of community leaders for their behind-the-scenes efforts. One honoree shared, "I've known Bashar and Hasi since they were little, and Ms. Audrey Jackson has been a mentor to me. I don't do this work for recognition, but it feels good to know that my efforts are seen."

Shannon Meminger, a national youth advocate, also participated in the event. With extensive experience in literacy and education programs, she highlighted the challenges posed by funding cuts and book bans but remained optimistic about communities finding internal resources to support youth development. "Education is resistance, and resistance is revolution," she affirmed.

A Lasting Impact on Brooklyn's Youth

Through mentorship, encouragement and practical life lessons, Forever Strong reinforced the importance of resilience, integrity and self-belief. Brown summed it up perfectly: "These lessons may not show immediate results, but in 10 years, these kids will be our doctors, lawyers, educators and community leaders. What we teach them today shapes the future."

With events like Forever Strong, the Shoot for the Stars Foundation continues to empower young minds and strengthen Brooklyn's community, proving that the future remains bright when youth are given the tools and encouragement to succeed.







Thomas Jefferson Democratic Club Endorses Andrew Cuomo for NYC Mayor



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By Brenda Cox

The agenda for the monthly meeting of the Thomas Jefferson (TJ) Club, held on Thursday, February 27th, included the endorsement of candidates and a petition campaign for the upcoming Primary Election in June, as well as a brief commemoration of Black History Month.

Former Congressman Edolphus (Ed) Towns spoke about the struggles of black trailblazers such as Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (whom he met as a young man) and his dream, while State Senator Roxanne Persaud shared a story that sounded more like a nightmare.

The senator reported that she was inundated recently with vile messages and offensive videos from viewers who denounced black history and objected to posts she made about events that celebrated Black History Month.

Both leaders reminded everyone that black history is American history and stressed the importance of keeping MLK's dream alive.

During the meeting, District Leader Frank Seddio, surrounded by Towns, Persaud, Community Board 18 District Manager Sue Ann Partnow and other supporters, announced the TJ Club's endorsement of ex-Governor Andrew Cuomo for Mayor of New York City.

At the time of the meeting, Cuomo, whose political career was derailed in 2021 amid allegations of sexual harassment (which he denies), had yet to declare his candidacy. But speculations had been rife, for months, that he would soon throw his hat into the already-crowded mayoral ring.

And despite that stigma and being plagued by the nursing home scandal which erupted during the COVID-19 pandemic, many still considered Cuomo, who kept NYC and by extension the Nation informed with daily briefings during the pandemic, to be a fitting leader.

In announcing the endorsement, Seddio spoke fondly of his longstanding relationship (since 1988) with the now-beleaguered Mayor Eric Adams, who was indicted on federal corruption charges in September 2024. "I love him to death," Seddio, who described himself as a "consummate politician," stated.

The former Democratic Party boss disclosed he studied and analyzed many political races to determine the best path to winning and, unfortunately, could not see one for Adams. "Frankly, I am sorry to say, as much as I love him and I think so much of him and I care about his future, I don't know that our current mayor has a card to win," he stated. "With that in mind, we would be endorsing Andrew Cuomo."

Speaking frankly, Seddio called the TJ Club "the most powerful Democratic club in the entire State of New York," then announced endorsements for other upcoming races. They included the reelection of Councilwoman Mercedes Narcisse (CD 46), Borough President Antonio Reynoso, Brooklyn District Attorney Eric Gonzalez, Supreme Court Judge (Appellate Division) Carl Landicino and Civil Court Judge Jacqueline Williams. They are also supporting two candidates for Civil Court Judge – Marisa Arrabito and Susan Liebman – as well as Councilman Justin Brannan for NYC Comptroller.

Seddio urged everyone's participation in securing 5,000 petition signatures this year. Before the meeting adjourned, he hinted that that was most likely the last at 77 Conklin Avenue but did not disclose the address of the club's new headquarters.

The Regina Opera Performs Mozart Piece and Pagliacci

By Brian Moreno

Opera and orchestra lovers gathered on Saturday, March 1st, in the auditorium of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Academy, at 5902 6th Avenue, for the Regina Opera Company's performance of Ruggero Leoncavallo's legendary opera, Pagliacci, and a live orchestra performance of Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante for Violin, Viola and Orchestra. The Brooklynbased opera company is in its 55th season.

The performance began with Sinfonia Concertante, an orchestra ensemble led by Veronica Carpenter and Joshua Hunton, who played the violin and viola, respectively, with Scott Jackson Wiley as the principal conductor.

"It feels absolutely wonderful," Wiley said. "This piece is very famous. We do only standard repertoire here at Regina Opera, so all of the works that we do are famous. We are not famous, but we deserve to be famous. It's just a great pleasure to work with such fine singers and such a fine, fine orchestra."

After an intermission, Pagliacci followed, directed by Sabrina Palladino. Linda Cantoni provided the supertitles, lyrics that were translated from Italian to English and projected onto the screen above the stage.

Pagliacci is an Italian opera that has a prologue and two acts that follow the story of Canio (Paolo Buffagni), the boss and leading actor of a traveling acting company, who, upon discovering his wife, Nedda (Yeawon Jun), has been unfaithful, is consumed by murderous rage. Unfortunately, he is encouraged to act out his thoughts by the unscrupulous Tonio (Peter Hakjoon Kim).

It is a story of rage, deceit and betrayal.

"Everybody really worked hard, and it was a big collaboration with the principal singers and the chorus, the set design, the lighting, the orchestra, all of it," Palladino said. "It was beautiful. As a stage director, you sit back and watch all of the work that everybody put in and when you see the performance like that, that is so alive and everybody's really into what they're doing, it's wonderful."

The standout performance was Jun's, playing the role of a woman caught in her deception, unsure if she could get away with her life.

"It's the first time for me to prepare and perform for a very small opera," Jun said. "It's totally different from



Veronica Carpenter and Joshua Hunton play the violin and viola, with Scott Jackson Wiley (front) conducting.



A show within the opera.

what I've done. I learned a lot and it's very expressive. I enjoyed every moment that I was involved with this opera and this role."

These events are important, not only for the Regina Opera, as they continue to perform at their best, but also for the community who get to experience and love opera and orchestra.

"Everyone was magnificent; they played their heart out," Francine Garber-Cohen, president of the Regina Opera, said. "I think that the orchestra loved to play these pieces and gave it their all. I think the audience was very responsive to the selections."

If you missed the performance, the Regina Opera Company will be performing Pagliacci again on Saturday, March 8th, and Sunday, March 9th, at 3 p.m.

For more information on the Regina Opera Company, visit reginaopera.org or call (718) 259-2772.

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The final bow of the Regina Opera Company.



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Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy Fellowship Brings Young Adults Closer to Nature

Photo Credit: Anil Pasram, JBRPC Stewardship Programs Manager

By Amanda Salazar

The deadline for the Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Parks Conservancy's (JBRPC) annual Wetlands Fellowship application is fast approaching on Friday, March 7th.

JBRPC is a nonprofit dedicated to caring for and educating people about "10,000 acres of public parklands throughout Jamaica Bay and the Rockaway peninsula, 18,000 acres of open water and marshlands within Jamaica Bay itself and 12 miles of Atlantic Ocean beaches along the Rockaway peninsula," according to its website.

The Wetlands Fellowship is a hands-on opportunity for young adults to get involved in environmental stewardship by learning about the ecology of Jamaica Bay's marshlands and how to care for them.

"Join us," Stewardship Programs Manager Anil Pas-

ally just to have a local workforce dedicated to protecting the health of Jamaica Bay."

It is a six-month long, part-time program for adults ages 18 through 25. Fellows work 18- to 21-hour weeks, Tuesdays through Thursdays, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at \$20 per hour across two park sites. The program runs from April 1st through September 30th.

Ideal candidates don't need to have college degrees in environmental science or long resumes full of work experience. In fact, the most important thing an applicant can bring is passion for environmental stewardship, drive to work hard and frontline experiences from living in the local community.

The application is relatively simple and should take around 10 minutes to complete. A resume isn't required, but there will be a few questions about who the applicant is and why they care about the conservancy's mission.

Participants will learn about issues facing the park, such as invasive species and pollution, as well as the interesting biodiversity in the region. The park is home to more than 300 species of birds, 100 species of finfish and 50 species of butterflies.

Fellows also get to regularly work out in the field, clearing out invasive plant species, removing trash, installing breakwaters, planting native plant species, constructing park trails and more.

"[They] get a sense of just how vast Jamaica Bay is and why it's called the jewel of New York City," Pasram said. "Just a greater understanding of how important protecting the bay is for these communities and all of its wildlife."

Pasram said that the goal of the fellowship is for there to be mutual growth and benefits to both the participants and the park.

The participants will come away from the position with real-world job experience to include on a resume, plus an idea of whether this is the line of work they would like to pursue or not, along with some income.

The park, however, will benefit from the different backgrounds, demographics and lived experiences that the fellows will bring into their programs. Their varied viewpoints are valuable in innovating better ways to care for south Brooklyn's wetlands.

Additionally, fellows can help Jamaica Bay-Rockaway Park by spreading awareness back home about the park and about how to better treat the environment.

Following completion of the program, former fellows usually stay in touch with the conservancy. The organization shares related job opportunities with its alumni group and checks in on them, so the support continues even once the fellowship ends.

The conservancy hosts educational programs and stewardship events throughout the year to connect residents to their local green space, such as beach cleanups, stargazing meetups and wellness walks.

"New Yorkers can get lost and indulge in nature," Pasram said of the potential for recreational use of the

You can apply for the JBRPC Wetlands Fellowship online at https://www.jbrpc.org/2025-wetlands-fellowship-application.



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The Many Lives of Howard Hughes and his Connection to Floyd Bennett Field

By Loretta Chin

Gateway National Recreation Area visitors were treated to a park ranger talk sponsored by the National Park Service (NPS) on Sunday, February 16th, to learn about Howard Hughes, his many careers and his connection as a record-breaking historical figure who made aviation flight history right outside the room where the event took place at the Ryan Visitor Center at Floyd Bennett Field.

"He's kind of forgotten about today, but he's one of the real characters of the 20th century, and character in every sense of the word," NPS Ranger Lincoln Hallowell said as he began his presentation about the epic life of Howard Hughes (1905-1976), one of the wealthiest men in the world.

"Remember the 'World's Most Interesting Man' commercial?" Hallowell said. "He was that." With

the aid of a slideshow presentation, Hallowell showed photos from different periods of Hughes' adventurous, eccentric and, later, dark and reclusive life. Hughes was so interesting that a Martin Scorsese movie was made about him, titled *The Aviator*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio.

Hughes inherited his wealth from his father's invention of the Hughes Drill Bit, which could cut through layers of rock in the days of oil drilling, and from his successful family tool company, which enabled him to go to the finest universities, become an engineer and follow his many eclectic interests as a successful business magnate.

His parents both died before he turned 20, leaving him a vast fortune, which he used to invest in the aviation and filmmaking industries, and real estate ventures in Las Vegas. He wanted to be the greatest

at many things and, for the most part, accomplished many of his goals.

As a prolific producer of aviation-themed movies, he introduced actress Jean Harlow in the 1930s film, *Hell's Angels*. According to Hallowell, "Howard liked the ladies." He dated Katharine Hepburn, Ava Gardner and other beautiful actresses of the era.

When Hughes learned of the advent of sound in the movie *The Jazz Singer*, he spent a small fortune refilming the nearly completed *Hell's Angels* in sound, which showed him to be a visionary and perfectionist. The film and many of his groundbreaking endeavors were extremely successful and only expanded his immense wealth.

During filming and in his work, he made many of his own aviation innovations, risking life and limb in the process, and crashed many times, incurring serious injury.

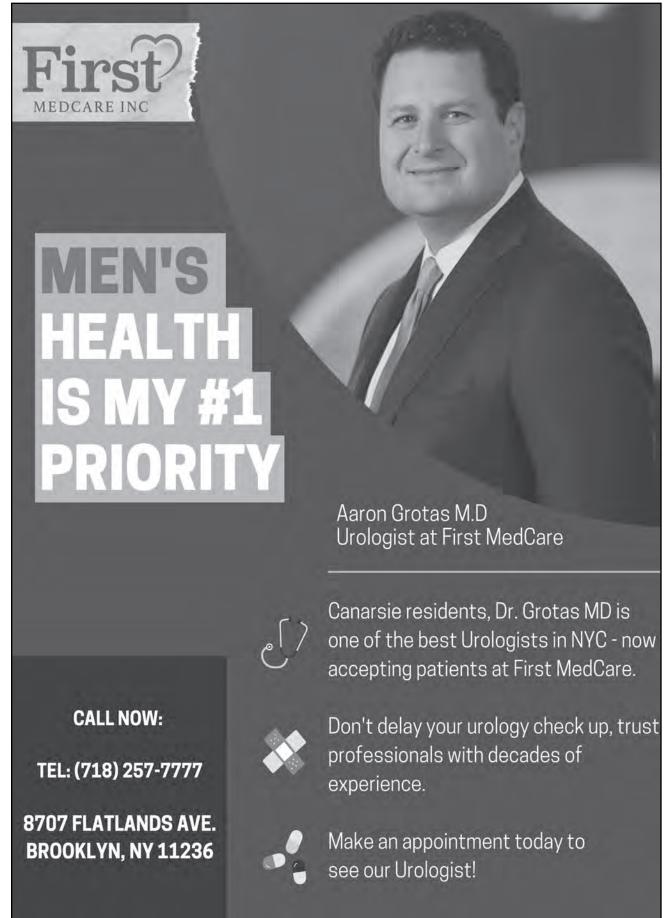
Hughes was the founder and owner of Trans World Airlines (TWA) and is famous for building one of the largest wooden aircraft built at that time called the Hughes H-4 Hercules (also known as the "Spruce Goose"), as well as several other new aircraft models.

Closer to home, Hughes was recruited by the World's Fair committee to promote the 1939 World's Fair by flying around the world. "He got himself a Lockheed "Electra" and set himself over in Hangar 8, right over here," Hallowell said as he pointed out the window.

Departing from Floyd Bennett Field on July 10, 1938, Hughes and his crew returned three days later after making stops along the way. He was met by about 50,000 people in mobs of cheering crowds on the airfield right outside of the Ryan Visitor Center. He was later feted with a ticker-tape parade in the Canyon of Heroes in Lower Manhattan.

"People were right on the balcony standing right there," Hallowell said as he pointed to the balcony outside of the room. "They were lined up all down the Hangar Row — cars were backed up all the way down Flatbush Avenue."

Hallowell has led the History Program at Floyd Bennett Field for the past 25 years and was also featured in a story for the *Canarsie Courier* last month (see "NPS Ranger Tells the Story of Jacob Riis – with a Surprise Ending of his Own," Canarsie Courier, February 13, 2025).





Fresh Creek Residents to Combat Illegal Dumping

By Angela G. Nannetti

Members of the Fresh Creek Civic Association (FCCA) logged onto Zoom on Saturday afternoon, February 22nd, for a highly informative virtual meeting, which explored a number of interesting topics that directly affect residents of the Canarsie area.

FCCA President Maria Garrett invited Jackie, a member of the group, to address the communities' concerns over the proposed changes to the B103 bus route. She explained that there have been no updates since she last reported to the group in November 2024, but that the MTA is still looking to terminate the route at the Flatbush Avenue Junction (Flatlands Av / Nostrand Av), instead of at Williams Av / Flatlands Av, to the dismay of many who live in the East 100 Streets. She assured the group that she would keep them posted if any new information surfaced.

Garrett also invited Executive Director of Canarsie Community Development Inc. (CCDI), Harold Jones, to discuss the flooding survey he has been encouraging Canarsie residents to complete (see "CCDI and NOAA Suborganization to Study Flooding and House Sinking in Canarsie," Canarsie Courier, February 27, 2025.) He explained that the goal is still to collect 300 completed surveys, but that preliminary findings already suggest an alarming 43% have reported structural issues, a surprise, as it was previously believed flooding and water issues would be more prevalent. Jones also shared that he is collaborating with a film crew to create public service announcements in an effort to foster a greener, cleaner Canarsie, just as the group had agreed that illegal dumping in the otherwise pristine community has become an exceedingly serious issue requiring some kind of solution.

Garrett explained that she has been receiving complaints about illegal dumping in the neighborhood, particularly on East 108th Street, between Flatlands 1st and 8th Streets, along the edge of the Nature Preserve, for years and more recently near P.S. 279 on East 103rd Street, just off Avenue K. While her strong partnerships with the Parks Department and the Department of Sanitation (DSNY) have done a great deal to mitigate the mess with periodic cleanups, the group brainstormed strategies that might prevent the dumping from happening in the first place, like cameras and signage, creating one dedi-

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cated dumping spot and more frequent DSNY SAFE (Solvents, Automotive, Flammables and Electronics) Disposal events.

Garrett assured the group that she would be conducting a walkthrough with Parks Department officials and elected officials in March to try and find a solution to the dumping along the East 108th Street corridor. In the meantime, she encouraged residents to continue sending her reports and photos, in addition to calling 311, to establish a record with the City.

She also invited the group to attend the Super Stewards second "Canarsie Street Tree Care" event on Saturday, March 1st, on East 108th Street and Avenue M, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., to learn how to aerate, cultivate, mulch and identify street trees.

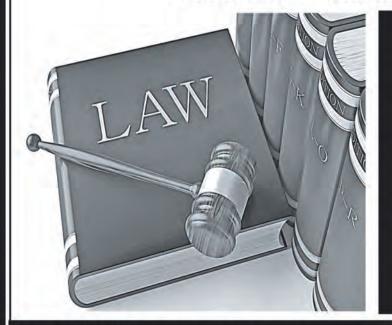
The next meeting of the FCCA will be held in March; further information will follow.



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Councilwoman Hosts Town Hall at NACA Meeting

By Amanda Salazar

Councilwoman Farah Louis held a Town Hall at the Tuesday, February 25th Nieuw Amersfort Community Association (NACA) meeting to discuss quality of life issues in the neighborhood.

Louis represents the 45th District, encompassing parts of Flatbush, East Flatbush, Midwood, Marine Park, Canarsie and Flatlands — Nieuw Amersfort was the name of the Dutch colony that became Flatlands. The meeting was held at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, at 3913 Avenue J, next to Amersfort Park.

"If I stand for you, I need you to stand for me too," Louis said.

The Town Hall was attended by representatives of various city agencies, including members of the 63rd Precinct, the Department of Sanitation and the Parks Department, who also discussed quality of life concerns and what can be done to mitigate them.

When it comes to crime, trash and cars often bring about problems in the area.

Illegal dumping is common in the community, especially in and around Amersfort Park. In an attempt to combat this, Louis' office has put extra funds toward increased trash pickup in the area.

The community is also plagued by abandoned and derelict vehicles, something the cops are aware of and always trying to get a handle on. Cars also relate to other issues affecting Flatlands, such as speeding and poorly designed or cared for roads.

Louis has worked on these problems, as she shared in the meeting. After residents asked for it, her office was able to get a speed camera installed by Amersfort Park and a turn signal installed at the corner of Avenue H and Flatbush Avenue.



Councilwoman Farah Louis at Town Hall held during the February 25th NACA meeting.

Currently, there's a reconstruction project to revitalize a stretch of Kings Highway and its pedestrian island, from Nostrand Avenue to Avenue K, thanks to funding from the Biden Administration in 2021. A 17-year-old boy was fatally hit by a car at the corner of Avenue K and Kings Highway, where the street curves, a few years back. It's hoped that this project will make the street easier to navigate.

"We knew that Kings Highway needed a fix," Louis said. "So, we got a lot of money to fix up just that little portion of Kings Highway, but we also wanted to beautify Kings Highway.'

The revitalization also includes beautification components, such as planting trees and plants along the pedestrian islands. The project is almost complete.

The councilwoman's office was also able to acquire \$4 million in funding to have the Clarendon Library in her district renovated and beautified, which reopened in January (see "Clarendon Library Reopens," Canarsie Courier, February 6, 2025).

The library now offers programming for residents, including a number of programs for teens, small businesses and entrepreneurs. More information about events can be found on its website: https://www.bklynlibrary.org/locations/clarendon.

Following Louis' remarks, the floor was opened up for questions. Resident Loretta Chin, also a Canarsie Courier reporter, shared concern for an unhoused woman who regularly sleeps in Amersfort Park.

Louis said the woman, who deals with mental health struggles, has been brought to the hospital for wellness checks but refuses services, such as shelter stays, and always chooses to return to the park. Though unfortunate, there isn't much more that can be done for her as she stays in the park of her own volition. However, Louis said that increased utilization of parks tends to drive out unhoused people who are camping there.

Chin thanked Louis for the replacement banners for the Flatlands Library branch and asked if she could arrange for a beautification project to power wash the front or to install some hanging flower pots.

Following questions from the audience, the mic was turned over to other speakers.

Parks Department Park Manager Danielle Goldfarb-Bedrick manages more than 200 parks in south Brooklyn across community districts 17 and 18 — with Amersfort being one of her favorites, she said.

She also addressed the illegal dumping in the area and said she is trying to get increased garbage pickup for the park and to get the Parks Department to issue summonses for people caught. Illegal dumping specifically refers to trash being dumped in a public space from a car, she explained — all other forms of dumping, while still illegal, are not technically called "illegal dumping."

DSNY Community Affairs Liaison Teresa Cunningham explained that there are certain areas that receive extra cleaning due to dumping, including Glenwood Road and Schenectady Avenue, to East 46th Street, and Avenue H, East 39th Street to Albany Avenue.

She also noted that all homeowners must have 55-gallon trash containers to use for pickup. Starting next year, they must purchase specific bins created by City Hall.



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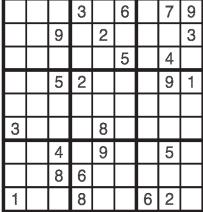
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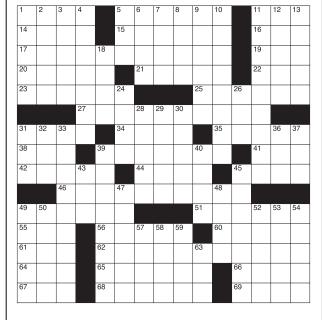
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- 11. River in NE Scotland
- 14. Not narrow
- 15. Lacking social polish
- 16. Amount of time
- 17. Frame 19. Automobile
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- 21. High school dances
- 22. Utilize
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45. Gov't investigators

49. A cotton fabric with a satiny

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55. Your consciousness of your

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finish

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own identity

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64. Woman (French)

66. Muslim ruler title

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INDEX NO. 517590/2019 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS PLAINTIFF DESIGNATES KINGS COUNTY AS THE PLACE OF TRIAL. VENUE IS BASED UPON THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE MORTGAGED PREMISES IS SITUATED. TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S): YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ANSWER THE COMPLAINT IN THIS ACTION AND TO SERVE A COPY OF YOUR ANSWER OR, IF THE COMPLAINT IS NOT SERVED WITH THIS SUMMONS, TO SERVE A NOTICE OF APPEARANCE ON THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE PLAINTIFF WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS AFTER SERVICE OF THIS SUMMONS EXCLUSIVE OF THE DAY OF SERVICE; OR WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER SERVICE IS COMPLETE IF THIS SUMMONS IS NOT PERSONALLY DELIVERED TO YOU WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW YORK; OR WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS IF IT IS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR OR ANSWER, JUDGMENT WILL BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU BY DEFAULT OR FOR RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT. NOTICE OF NATURE OF ACTION AND RELIEF SOUGHT THE OBJECT OF THE ABOVE CAPTIONED ACTION IS TO FORECLOSE A MORTGAGE TO SECURE \$80,000.00 AND INTEREST, RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COUNTY OF KINGS ON OCTOBER 8, 2008 IN CRFN 2008000398441, COVERING THE PREMISES KNOWN AS 824 EAST 56TH STREET, BROOKLYN, NY 11234. THE RELIEF SOUGHT IN THE WITHIN ACTION IS A FINAL JUDGMENT DIRECTING THE SALE OF THE PREMISES DESCRIBED ABOVE TO SATISFY THE DEBT SECURED BY THE MORTGAGE DESCRIBED ABOVE. NOTICE YOU ARE IN DANGER OF LOSING YOUR HOME IF YOU DO NOT RESPOND TO THIS SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT BY SERVING A COPY OF THE ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE MORTGAGE COMPANY WHO FILED THIS FORECLOSURE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED AND YOU CAN LOSE YOUR HOME. SPEAK TO AN ATTORNEY OR GO TO THE COURT WHERE YOUR CASE IS PENDING FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON HOW TO ANSWER THE SUMMONS AND PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY. SENDING A PAYMENT TO YOUR MORTGAGE COMPANY WILL NOT STOP THIS FORECLOSURE ACTION. YOU MUST RESPOND BY FIRST SERVING A COPY OF THIS ANSWER ON THE ATTORNEY FOR THE PLAINTIFF (MORTGAGE COMPANY) AND FILING THE ANSWER WITH THE COURT. DATED: DECEMBER 16, 2024 NEW YORK, NEW YORK AKERMAN LLP JAMES NG, ESQ. (JAMES.NG@AKERMAN.COM) JORDAN M. SMITH, ESQ. (JORDAN.SMITH@AKERMAN.COM) 1251 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, 37TH FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY 10020 (212) 880-3800.

KINGS COUNTY LEGAL NOTICE

Probate Citation File No. 2017-4372/B SURROGATE'S COURT - KINGS COUNTY CITATION THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, By the Grace of God Free and Independent TO: JORGE RIOS a/k/a GEORGE L. RIOS, LUIS RIOS, MARCOS RIOS; whose whereabouts and addresses are unknown and cannot be ascertained with due diligence, being persons interested in the estate of MARCOS R. SALGADO. a/k/a MARCOS RIOS SALGADO, MARCOS A. SALGADO. deceased, as distributees or otherwise AND, the unknown heirs at law, next kin, and distributees of MARCOS R. SALGADO, a/k/a MARCOS RIOS SALGADO, MARCOS A. SALGADO, deceased, if any of them are living, and if any of them are deceased, to their heirs at law, next of kin, distributees, legatees, executors, administrators, assignees and successors in interest whose names are unknown and cannot be ascertained after due diligence. A petition having been duly filed by MARIA R ROCA, who is domiciled at 521 41st Street, Apt C1, Brooklyn, NY 11232 YOU ARE HEREBY CITED TO SHOW CAUSE before the Surrogate's Court, Kings County, located at 2 Johnson Street, Rm 319, Brooklyn New York, on April 3, 2025, at 10:00 in the forenoon of that day, why a Decree should not be made in the estate of MARCOS R. SALGADO, a/k/a MARCOS RIOS SALGADO, MARCOS A. SALGADO lately domiciled at 4404 6th Avenue, Apt 4A, Brooklyn, NY 11220. admitting to probate a Will dated January 4, 2012 (a Codicil dated n/a, n/a) as the Will of MARCOS R. SALGADO, a/k/a MARCOS RIOS SALGADO, MARCOS A. SALGADO deceased, relating to real and personal property and directing that Letters Testamentary issue to: MARIA R. ROCA February 18, 2025 Dated, Attested, and Sealed, Hon. Bernard J. Graham Surrogate Lisa Mathis Chief Clerk Connors and Sullivan, Attorneys-At-Law, PLLC Firm Name (718) 238-6500 Telephone 7408 Fifth Avenue, Suite #2, Brooklyn, New York 11209 Address harris.papas@connorsandsullivan.com Email NOTE: This citation is served upon you are required by law. You are not required to appear. If you fail to appear it will be assumed you do not object to the relief requested. You have a right to have an attorney appear for you.]

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Notice of Formation of 1Slope Ventures LLC Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 09/04/2024. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to 1Slope Ventures LLC: 328 Macon Street Unit 3 Brooklyn, NY 11233. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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Notice of Qualification of UZ AUTO TRANS LLC. Certificate of Authority filed with Secretary of State of (SSNY) 01/22/2025 Office location: Kings County. Limited Liability Company (LLC) formed in on 09/19/2014. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to UZ AUTO TRANS LLC: 415 Allen Ave, Brooklyn, NY 11229, USA Articles of Organization originally filed with Secretary of State (SOS). 5146 Hartwell Ln, Brunswick, OH 44212, USA. Purpose: Any lawful

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Notice of Formation of Anemoia Parfums, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on 02/08/2025. Office location: Kings County. SSNY designated as agent of Limited Liability Company (LLC) upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY should mail process to Anemoia Parfums, LLC: 390 Wythe Avenue, 6G, Brooklyn, NY 11249. Purpose: Any lawful purpose.

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A nonprofit organization in Brooklyn, NY is seeking sealed bids for sales and installation of security related enhancements. This is a New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services grant funded project. The project includes (i) installation of one or more: CCTV, access control, sensors, alarms, alerts/sirens, security film, windows, fencing, privacy fencing, gates. Bids will be accepted until 5:00 PM on April 3, 2025. Work is expected to commence by the week of April 20, 2025 and be completed by August 1, 2025. All interested vendors will be required to demonstrate preliminary qualifications and licensing for this work, acknowledge receipt of the proposal documents, and provide company name, business address, telephone, fax and email address, and primary contact name. Selection criteria will be based on knowledge of surveillance and security, adherence to projected work schedule, prior experience, references, and cost. Specifications and bid requirements can be obtained by contacting us at nonprofit1680@gmail.com

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Canarsie: Beautiful unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, HWFs, no pets/smoking, \$1,000 Monthly. Broker (917) 518-4452

Canarsie: Furnished, private bathroom, share kitchen, no pets/smoking, \$325 weekly. (718) 649-3122

Canarsie: Large furnished, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets, proof of income, \$850 monthly, 1 month security. (917) 701-1614

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Canarsie/Flatbush: Furnished, share kitchen/bath, close to transportation, no smoking/pets. Marcia Prince Realty-Leonard (646) 474-6640

Canarsie: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, no smoking/pets, \$800 monthly. Broker (516) 725-2669

OMB: Newly renovated furnished, share kitchen/bath, utilities included, no pets/smoking, 2 weeks rent/security. Owner (347) 453-7962; (347) 742-9828

Canarsie: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, w/1 person, \$1,100. (718) 414-3797

Canarsie: Unfurnished, share kitchen/bath, no pets/smoking, includes heat & hot water, tenants pays electric, 1 months rent/security, pays stubs required. \$950 monthly. (516) 369-9797

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Canarsie: Basement studio for rent, utilities included, no smoking, pay stubs/credit check, \$1,200. (917) 375-2082

E 59/Clarendon/Beverly: Beautiful Studio walk-in, utilities included, \$1,500. LIC Broker (646) 515-4794

E26/Farragut: RENOVATED STU-DIO, separate kitchen, hardwood floors, lots of closets, elevator building, \$1,650. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300 (917) 679-3017

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Georgetown: 1 BR split level, near transportation/shopping, \$1,700. Broker (917) 690-0541

OMB: Newly painted, 1 BR, All programs accepted, Broker (646) 721-2921: (347) 969-2310

Georgetown: 1 BR split level, near transportation/shopping, \$1,700. Broker (917) 999-5758

Georgetown: 1 BR, kitchen, bathroom, near shopping/transportation, tenant pays electric, \$1,900, no text messages, call (914) 229-2757

E35/Glenwood Road: COMPLETE-LY RENOVATED 1 BR in elevator building, LARGE LR & dining area, HWF's, laundry on premises, \$1,800, near transportation, close to Junction. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300 (917) 679-3017

E Flatbush: Newly renovated Large 2 BR, HWFs, near transportation, \$2,400. Broker (347) 393-9403

E35/Church Ave: COMPLETELY RENOVATED 2 BRs, LARGE LR, HWF's, EIK, ALL NEW APPLIANC-ES, close to SHOPPING & TRANS-PORTATION, B34, B44, buses, #2 & #5 trains, \$2,350. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300; (917) 679-3017

Thomas Boyland/Fulton: COM-PLETELY RENOVATED 2 BRs, ALL NEW APPLIANCES, lots of closets, near transportation, A train, B25 & B46 buses, \$2,350. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300 (917) 679-3017

Canarsie: Renovated 2 BRs, 1 bath, open floor concept with new appliances and a balcony, gas included, no pets/laundry/smoking, \$3,000 monthly. (718) 552-0243

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Canarsie/Glenwood/Conklin: 3 BRs, near transportation, Working Section 8 Accepted & others. (929) 531-2332

OMB: Newly renovated , 3 BR, All Programs accepted, Broker (646) 721-2921; (347) 969-2310

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Canarsie: 3 BRs, 2 bathrooms, Living Room, Eat In Kitchen, Dining Room, Hardwood Floors, \$3,000 monthly, garage available, Must have excellent credit, No Brokers! Call (917) 364-4965

ENY/Jerome Street: Extra large 3 BRs, 2nd floor, excellent condition, Programs accepted, Available Immediately. Branche Group Beverly (929) 855-7576

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Gates/Throop Avenues: LARGE 3 BRs, COMPLETELY RENOVATED, parquet floors, lots of closets, NEW cabinets, stainless steel appliances, elevator building, laundry room, NEAR transportation, B52 bus & C train, \$2,800, PROGRAMS ACCEPTED. Curtis Chance Realty (718) 859-7300; (917) 679-3017

E Flatbush: 3 BRs, 1 bath, near transportation/shopping. Text (347) 721-6873

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Flatlands/Fountain Street: 3 BR, 2 full bathrooms, near transportation/all shopping, Available March 1 st. (917) 442-0592

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