## STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

January 17, 2018 583 Riverside Drive

Attending Committee Members:
Victor Edwards – Chair,
Padmore John – CB9 Chair
Deidre McIntosh Brown - YEL Committee Co-Chair

## **Guest:**

Joselinne Minaya - Manhattan D A's Office Liaison

Mariely Sanchez - Supv. Of Youth Education Team (Manhattan DA office)

Diana Howard - Manhattan B.P Office

Meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

A motion was made to accept the agenda which was accepted.

The Chair opened the meeting by welcoming all committee members, the guests and explained that this was a follow-up to prior incarceration meeting focusing on youth and prevention.

## **DISCUSSION:**

- 1. Joselinne Minaya discussed the recent announcement by the Manhattan D.A. to eliminate monetary bail for "most" misdemeanors except for domestic violence, violence against police or peace officers and offenders with multiple arrest. The CB9 Chair and SPC Chair applauded the new position of the Manhattan DA noting the numbers of young people in particular that remain in jail for extended periods of time due to lack of funds on sometimes minors offenses.
- 2. Mariely Sanchez discussed the current youth programs administered under the D.As offices
- Public safety program presented in schools
  - o we requested a list of schools in our district where this program had been presented
- Gang Awareness program
  - We made the DA's office aware of ongoing conflicts between Manhattanville and Grant Houses, which were possibly gang related.
- Youth Opportunity HUBS 5 hubs to be created in Manhattan to assist youth.
  - The HUB servicing the CB9 area will be administered through Community Connections for Youth and the Soul Saving Station.
- High School Internship program available through the DA's office
- Saturday Night Lights Manhattanville Houses Community Center
  - o This program which opens the community center late on Saturday nights will be returning to Manhattanvile Houses.
  - o Center staff will include a case workers assigned to assist with social issues
  - o The program will be collaborating with other SNL programs in Manhattan
- Sports League
  - o Sports Training involves training with local and professional athletes, available through the DA's office.
- SPC Chair stated that he and CB9 Youth Committee would look to other avenues to keep the D.A.s office involved with prevention initiatives.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.