I ask that you remember the many people that are affected by natural disasters, those nearby as well as those far from home. It’s important that we recognize that climate change continues to have an effect on our planet and our lives and as such must act in ways that is accountable to its impact on the planet.

125th St BID
CB9 will be partnering with the BID as usual to support the Holiday Lighting ceremony. We are working with other partners to support this endeavor. As the lighting ceremony is Thursday Nov. 16th, we will be moving our November meeting to the 15th, which is the 3rd Wednesday of the month. We continue to look forward to support the 125th St BID.

Manhattan Community Board Leadership Training Series Fall 2017
The Office of Manhattan Borough President Gale A. Brewer is pleased to announce our Fall 2017 Community Board Leadership Training schedule. The workshops cover topics and skills that are useful to both newly-appointed Community Board members as well as more experienced ones. All Fall 2017 sessions will be held at the Borough President’s Office at 1 Centre Street, 19th floor, from 6pm-8pm.

Registration priority will be given to current Community Board members, District Office staff and other appointees of the Borough President. Thank you for your interest in these trainings and serving your community.

Conflict of Interest & Freedom of Information Law 101
This COIB training satisfies the City Charter mandate that all CB members and District Office staff complete conflicts of interest trainings every two years (mandatory). This session will help you understand the rules to follow in situations where you must disclose, discuss and recuse, how to comply with the freedom of information law (FOIL) requests and protect your private life as you conduct public business. Please select one session online and add a reminder to your calendar. Location: 1 Centre Street, 19th floor

Monday October 23rd 6pm-8pm Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th floor
Tuesday October 24th 6pm-8pm Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th floor

Land Use and Zoning 101
This course will provide an overview of the history of land use and zoning in New York City, the particular role of Community Boards in the public review process (ULURP), and the function of the zoning resolution. This training is key to understanding land use/zoning terms and concepts, factors to consider when evaluating proposals and options available to minimize negative community impacts. Please select one session online and add a reminder to your calendar.

Thursday October 26th 6:00pm-8:00pm Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th floor

NYC Budget Process and the Role of the Community Board
This session will introduce you to the budget process, the District Needs Statement, Borough Budget Priorities, and the budget timeline. It will focus on how Community Boards can play a role in the city budget process and will discuss how the City and the Borough President review the proposals. Don’t miss this opportunity to maximize the likelihood of getting your Community Board priorities funded! Please select one session online and add a reminder to your calendar.

**Monday October 30th  6:00pm-8:00pm  Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th floor**

Advanced Land Use & Zoning

Building upon the concepts covered in Land Use and Zoning 101, this course will dive deeper into understanding floor area ratio, how inclusionary housing works in the voluntary program and as proposed in the mandatory program, how landmark designation works with zoning, and the structure and variety of special permits. If you serve on the Land Use Committee this is a highly recommended session! Pre-requisite: Land Use and Zoning 101. Please register online and add a reminder to your calendar.

**Wednesday November 1st  6:00pm-8:00pm  Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th floor**

Effective Resolution Writing

This training will serve as an introductory level overview of the multiple elements that constitute effective resolution writing. The basic components that entail an effective resolution will be covered as well as review of good and bad examples of resolutions. We will also briefly discuss examples of standard “application-driven” resolutions such as liquor licenses, sidewalk cafes, street activity permits, ULURP and BSA, landmarks and others. Please register online and add a reminder to your calendar.

**Monday November 6th  6:00pm-8:00pm  Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th Floor**

Unlocking Open Data for Community Boards

The Manhattan Borough President’s Office, in partnership with BetaNYC, has designed tools and customized trainings specifically intended to help CBs access, analyze, map and use data to inform decision-making. This workshop will introduce an easy-to-use BoardStat tool to query 311-requests and explore trends in health, safety and quality of life concerns. Additional key datasets will also be reviewed. Come ready to learn and get right into datasets and graphs. Bring laptop and power adapter.

**Tuesday November 14th  6:00pm-8:00pm  Location: 1 Centre Street South Entrance 19th Floor**
Participation in the FY19 Budget Discussion
CB9 will be holding public sessions around discussion of the district need statement and how we can direct City budget to needed projects in the community. Your voice needs to be heard. Attend these sessions and help the board decide how funding should be spent on needed resources to address challenges currently facing the community. Come prepared with your data and other information to engage in a comprehensive discussion around community needs.