

March, 2019 District Manager's Report

Agency Reports:

FDNY Reported: Spring is upon us and it is time to change our clocks again. Daylight Saving Time ended on Sunday, March 10. Annually, the FDNY uses this opportunity to promote our 'Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries' campaign, which reminds New Yorkers to check and change the batteries in their smoke/carbon monoxide alarms. It's quick, it's easy, and it saves lives.

Department of Sanitation Reported: On the New Business Organics Rules Enforcement and stated as of February 15, 2019, the NYC Department of Sanitation will begin issuing summonses to the following businesses not separating their organic waste:

- Food service establishments with a floor area of at least 15,000 square feet
- Food service establishments that are part of a chain of 100 or more locations in NYC
- Retail food stores with a floor area of at least 25,000 square feet

Since July 19, 2016, the following businesses have been required to separate organic waste:

- Food service establishments in hotels with 150 or more rooms
- Arenas and stadiums with a seating capacity of at least 15,000 people
- Food manufacturers with a floor area of at least 25,000 square feet
- Food wholesalers with a floor area of at least 20,000 square feet

To learn more about business organics requirements, visit nyc.gov/businessorganics

All businesses must recycle metal, glass jars and bottles, rigid plastic, clean paper and cardboard. Learn more at nyc.gov/businessrecycling

For business resources such as sample signs, free trainings and webinars, see nyc.gov/dsnybusinessresources

DHS/DSS Reported: As announced 2-years ago "[Turning the Tide on Homelessness in New York City](#)," the comprehensive plan for addressing the challenge of homelessness, which affects every community across the five boroughs. The plan's guiding principle is community and people first: giving homeless New Yorkers, who come from every community across the five boroughs, the opportunity to be sheltered in their home boroughs. The Mayor's Office is doing that by phasing out the stop-gap quick-fixes of prior administrations, including the 19-year-old cluster program and use of commercial hotels, which dates back on and off to the 1960s, and replacing them with a smaller number of high-quality borough-based shelters nearer to New Yorkers' support networks. These reforms are the right thing to do for those experiencing homelessness in their City and communities, helping the City keep families and individuals connected to their schools, jobs, medical care, houses of worship and families as they get back on their feet.

As part of the Mayor's commitment to transforming the haphazard approach to addressing homelessness and providing shelter that was decades in the making and meeting the City's legal and moral obligation to provide shelter to all those who need it, the Mayor has continued to build on the four key pillars of "Turning the Tide plan". Here is what they have achieved so far for New Yorkers in need:

1. **Prevention:** Helped over 100,000 New Yorkers avoid eviction by expanding access to legal assistance in housing court as part of the universal access to counsel program as well as other prevention initiatives, with evictions by marshals dropping 37 percent from 2013 through 2018;
2. **Rehousing:** Helped more than 104,000 New Yorkers move out of shelters or avoid homelessness altogether through our rental assistance and rehousing programs;
3. **Transforming the approach to providing shelter that has built up over 40 years:** Got out of approximately 180 shelter sites—and counting—that did not meet our standards, including ending the use of more than 1,800 cluster units as shelter, reducing citywide cluster use by over 50 percent and counting; and announced 41 high-quality borough-based shelters across the five boroughs, 23 of which have already opened their doors, offering New Yorkers in need the opportunity to get back on their feet nearer to the anchors of their lives; and;
4. **Addressing street homelessness:** Helped more than 2,000 homeless New Yorkers off the streets who've remained off the streets and subways since the launch of HOME-STAT, the nation's most comprehensive street outreach program, while more-than doubling—and on our way to tripling—the number of beds dedicated to supporting these individuals.

A link to the Mayor's comprehensive "Turning the Tide" plan can be found here: nyc.gov/tide. Should you identify a location within your district that you believe may be potentially suitable for transitional housing, please contact First Deputy Commissioner Jackie Bray, at (212)-361-0648 or intergov@dss.nyc.gov to provide the information needed in order to evaluate the potential site further.

DHS is scheduled to present at MCB9's Housing Land Use and Zoning (HLUZ) Committee on Tuesday, April 9th, 2019, at 6:30 p.m., at Broadway Housing Communities, 583 Riverside Drive, NYC 10031.

DOT Reported: Resurfacing season has started please report any areas within the district to DOT

Department of Buildings (DOB) Reported: DOB LAUNCHED A NO-PENALTY SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM FOR PRIVATE ELEVATORS; program launched after serious private elevator incidents

DOB announced that owners of private homes with both registered and unregistered elevators can request a DOB inspection of the device with no penalty for the next 90 days. During this three-month program, the Department will perform initial inspections and tests of any registered or unregistered private elevator free of charge. This amnesty period is intended to encourage

owners to bring their private elevators into compliance with DOB safety regulations and to have them inspected regularly – as required by law – to ensure that they are mechanically sound.

In January, a woman became stuck in a private elevator on the Upper East Side for 72 hours without having any ability to communicate with the outside world. DOB's investigation determined that the elevator hoist motor had burned out and failed, causing the elevator to become stuck between two floors, and that the emergency phone inside of elevator car was not operable. Preventable incidents like this can be avoided by ensuring that private residential elevators are not only registered with the department but also regularly inspected and properly maintained.

Elevator devices in New York City, including dumbwaiters, platform lifts, and stairway chair lifts are legally required to be registered and have a certificate of compliance from the Department of Buildings to ensure they can be operated safely. Unregistered elevators, and ones that aren't properly maintained, may pose a serious safety risk to passengers. Property owners with private elevator devices in their buildings are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity, not only for their own safety, but also for the safety of their friends and families.

Building owners who wish to receive a free, no penalty safety inspection should email the Department's Elevator Unit at PrivateResidenceElevator@buildings.nyc.gov or call the unit at 212-393-2435. This safety inspection does not exempt jurisdictional elevators from code-required category 1 and category 5 cycle inspections.

For unregistered elevators under this program, private residence owners will need to retain a registered design professional or licensed elevator inspection agency, and then file an application with DOB to obtain an NYC device ID and certificate of compliance. The Department will not issue any penalties or violations to the private residence owner if the application is filed within this 90-day grace period. If our inspectors determine that repairs are needed, the Department will give property owners guidance on the repairs needed, and give them sufficient time to make the corrective repairs.

Mayor's Office Reported: Beginning in the 2019-20 school year, all schools will serve vegetarian menus on Mondays Mayor Bill de Blasio, Schools Chancellor Richard A. Carranza, and Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams recently announced all New York City public schools will have "Meatless Mondays" beginning in the 2019-2020 school year. The program, which was first piloted in 15 schools in Brooklyn in Spring 2018, will provide students with healthy, all-vegetarian breakfast and lunch menus every Monday.

Mayor De Blasio stated: "Cutting back on meat a little will improve New Yorkers' health and reduce greenhouse gas emissions," and "We're expanding Meatless Mondays to all public schools to keep our lunch and planet green for generations to come."

Chancellor Richard A. Carranza stated: "Meatless Mondays are good for our students, communities, and the environment," said **Schools**. "Our 1.1 million students are taking the next step towards healthier, more sustainable lives. Our students and educators are truly leaders in this movement, and I salute them!"

Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams stated: “I stood beside Mayor de Blasio and then-Chancellor Fariña in 2017 to announce that fifteen schools in Brooklyn were undertaking Meatless Mondays. In less than eighteen months, we can announce that Meatless Mondays has spread to more than one million children at every school across the city, putting us on the path to make our kids, communities, and planet healthier,” also “I am grateful to Mayor de Blasio and Chancellor Carranza, as well as our incredible parent and student advocates who have made this a reality. I could not be more energized by our progress and more ready to take on the work ahead.”

Meatless Mondays is a national movement focused on healthy, environmentally friendly meal options, and it was piloted in 15 Brooklyn schools last year in collaboration with Borough President Eric Adams, who has championed plant-based diets. This fall, the pilot was brought to schools across the City in order to evaluate student feedback on a broader scale. Through evaluation of participation metrics—which has remained stable—and student feedback, the DOE has decided to officially bring Meatless Mondays citywide for 2019-20. The expansion will be cost-neutral, and the DOE’s Office of Food and Nutrition Services will meet with students to get qualitative feedback before the menu for next fall is finalized.

Meatless Mondays builds on the City’s efforts to provide free, healthy meals to all students. This initiative will be part of New York City’s Free School Lunch for All, which launched in the 2017-18 school year and provides free, nutritious, healthy breakfast and lunch to all participating New York City schools. In the 2017-18 school year, more than 150 million breakfasts and lunches were served free of charge. Each summer, the DOE provides free breakfast and lunch to any New Yorker under 18 through the Summer Meals program. Since 2015, New York Thursdays have provided schools with locally sourced or produced food.

New York City has also made strides in making cafeterias eco-friendly and sustainable, including compostable plates rather than polystyrene trays, and placing clearly labeled Recycling Stations in every cafeteria. Since the 2011-2012 school year, 761 schools now take part in the City’s Organic Collection program. The DOE’s Office of Sustainability supports these schools through training for students and staff on proper sorting of organic waste. Of the 761 schools, 108 are Zero Waste Schools, a partnership with the Department of Sanitation which seeks to divert all recyclable and compostable waste in five years, beginning in 2016. Since launch, 144 tons of organic compostable and recyclable waste have been diverted from landfills.

Manhattan Borough President’s Office (MBPO) Reported:

State Legislature is currently debating the enactment of a congestion pricing program on private vehicles and trucks within the Central Business District of Manhattan. This program would build off of the congestion pricing legislation enacted last year that placed fees on taxi and for-hire vehicles that drive in Manhattan south of 96th Street. While Borough President is a staunch supporter of congestion pricing, its enactment is far from a forgone conclusion due to division within the state legislature on the issue. Moreover, while discussions are ongoing in Albany, the public has been largely left out of the conversation.

In an effort to ascertain a complete view of congestion pricing and its merits in Manhattan, the Borough President is evoking the powers of the Borough President under NYC Charter § 82 part

5, the power to hold public hearings on matters of public interest. The Borough President **scheduling a hearing on Thursday, March 21, at 6 PM at The Cooper Union, located at 41 Cooper Square.** The purpose of the hearing will be to hear from various entities that have a stake in any congestion pricing program and to discuss possible solutions. Given your relation to the issue, the Borough President is inviting you to testify at the hearing.

Prepared comments are limited to three (3) minutes, but welcome the submission of longer written testimony.

To RSVP, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Paul Goebel in my office at (212) 669-8151 or pgoebel@manhattanbp.nycgov.

Manhattan Borough President is hosting a Women's History Month discussion on Women in Prison:

The incarceration rate for women and girls in state prisons has skyrocketed for decades. Many of them have been ensnared in the criminal justice system by mandatory minimums as part of the failed war on drugs-- or have faced domestic or sexual abuse, mental illness, or other challenges during their lifetime.

Join me for a discussion on the work being done to support, protect, and rehabilitate currently incarcerated and newly-released women. Our guests will include:

Ronnie Eldridge represented the Upper West Side on the City Council for 12 years and served as the first executive director of the Ms. Foundation for Women among many other roles. Ronnie has been an activist in pushing for criminal justice reform and recently supported efforts to grant Judith Clark parole;

Rev. Diane Lacey is pastor of The Church of Gethsamane, which runs Project Connect, which reaches out to incarcerated people and helps them transition back into their home and community upon release;

Sara Bennett is an attorney (who represented Judith Clark) and a photographer who has documented women prisoners upon their release in a series called Life After Life in Prison.

A reception will follow the panel. Wednesday, March 20, 2019, 6 - 8 pm, at Gibney Dance, 53 A Chambers St. Admission is free, but please RSVP online at womenshistory2019.eventbrite.com.

NYC Conflicts of Interest Board (COIB) Reported: Notice of Public Hearing and Opportunity to Comment on Proposed Rule Regarding Official Fundraising

What is the COIB proposing? The Conflicts of Interest Board proposes to amend its rules to codify the circumstances by which public servants may use City time, City resources, and their City positions to fundraise to benefit the City or not-for-profit organizations.

When and where is the hearing? COIB will hold a public hearing on the proposed rule. The public hearing will take place at 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 24, 2019, at Spector Hall, 22 Reade Street, New York, New York 10007.

This location has the following accessibility option(s) available: Wheelchair Accessible.

How do I comment on the proposed rules? Anyone can comment on the proposed rules by:

- **Website.** You can submit comments to the Conflicts of Interest Board through the NYC rules website at <http://rules.cityofnewyork.us>.

- **Email.** You can email comments to rules@coib.nyc.gov.

- **Mail.** You can mail comments to Christopher M. Hammer, Deputy General Counsel, Conflicts of Interest Board, 2 Lafayette Street, Suite 1010, New York, New York 10007.

- **Fax.** You can fax comments to the Conflicts of Interest Board at (212) 437-0705.

- **By speaking at the hearing.** Anyone who wants to comment on the proposed rule at the public hearing must sign up to speak. You can sign up before the hearing by calling (212) 437-0730. You can also sign up in the hearing room before the hearing begins on Wednesday, April 24, 2019. You can speak for up to three minutes.

Deadline to submit comments: Written comments are due by Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

Who's Hiring:

Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) - Application deadline has been extended to March 30th; to apply go to: APPLICATION.NYCSYEP.COM or call 1-800-246-4646.

NYPD Traffic Enforcement Agents potentially earn over \$38,000 after 1st year; Competitive benefits; Promotional opportunities; Various assignment levels; and Retirement plan. For further information please visit the following website: www.nyc.gov/NYPD or call 212-RECRUIT;

2020 CENSUS JOBS: Are you a U.S. Citizen who is 18 or older? Are you fluent in Japanese, Tagalog and/or Vietnamese? The 2020 Census may have a job for you in one of the five counties of NYC visit <https://2020census.gov/jobs>.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Production Crew is offering a FREE Production Assistant training course including job placement for up to 2 years paid work in NYC's Film & TV industry. Program qualifications requirements: +18yrs of age; A NYC Resident; Unemployed or low income; Available full-time. Info. sessions are held every Monday @1p.m. (Sharp); at the Brooklyn Navy Yard Building 92, 11205.

Landscaper-Generated Waste: Yard waste generated by landscapers cannot be set out by landscapers for DSNY collection, nor can landscapers that generate yard waste are required by law to collect dispose of any yard waste that they generate at a permitted composting facility.

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Latecomers will not be admitted.

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For Directions visit www.bldg92.org For more information about this program visit www.bwiny.org
*Prior to attending call (718) 237-2017 x145 & listen for cancellations/updates OR email PA@bwiny.org

AFTER SCHOOL



This **free** program for existing after school groups teaches students the mechanics of riding a bike, the rules of the road, best practices for riding in a group and on the streets, and – of course – the joy and freedom of biking. Bikes, helmets, and supportive instructors will be provided for a guaranteed great time.

WHEN: 5-week sessions held between April 29 - June 7

WHERE: THE BRONX: St. Mary's Park, Van Cortlandt Park, Crotona Park
QUEENS: Flushing Meadows-Corona Park
MANHATTAN: El Barrio/East Harlem East River Playground,
East River Park, Inwood Hill Park, Roosevelt Island
BROOKLYN: Linden Park, McCarren Park

HOW: Register online at www.bike.nyc or call 212-870-2080



Please contact Nitascha Sharma, Youth Programs Manager with questions, comments, or concerns: nsharma@bike.nyc or call 212-870-2092.



BIKE NYC

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BICYCLING



This free bike education field trip offers New York City Middle and High Schoolers the chance to learn how to ride a bike or, for students who already know, basic bike handling and safety skills. Getting youth comfortable with cycling offers them a lifetime fitness activity and affordable, fun, green mobility. Developed in partnership with the New York City Department of Education.

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STATEN ISLAND: Fort Wadsworth Park

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Hamilton Grange Library

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 New York, NY 10031
 212-926-2147

MARCH 2019 | FREE Programs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>4 ESOL: 11-1PM (LL) ESOL: 11-1PM (BridgeUp) MS Excel 2010 for Beginners: 2-3:30PM (LL) Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>5 New York Women's Chamber of Commerce: 10AM-1PM (BridgeUp) AARP Tax Prep: 12-4PM (LL) Video Visitation: 3-6:30 (BridgeUp) Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>6 ESOL: 11-1PM (LL) ESOL: 11-1PM (BridgeUp) Empowering Women's History Craft: 2-3PM Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>7 1-on-1 Computer Help: 10-11PM Get Covered Tabling: 10:30-6:30PM MS 2010 PowerPoint for Beginners: 2-3:30PM Education Unlimited: 5-6:30PM (LL) Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>1 Adult Coloring: TIAM Movie Afternoon: 2-4PM (LL) Video Visitation: 3-4:30PM (BridgeUp) Adult Tech Time: 3-5:30PM</p>	<p>2 Brain Teasers: TIAM ASALH African American Women: <i>Creating Their Path</i>: 1-3PM (LL) Adult Tech Time: 3-4:30PM</p>
<p>11 ESOL: 11-1PM (LL) ESOL: 11-1PM (BridgeUp) CPR/First Aid Trainings: 3-4PM (LL) Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>12 New York Women's Chamber of Commerce: 10AM-1PM (BridgeUp) 1-on-1 Computer Help: 11-1PM AARP Tax Prep: 12-4PM (LL) Video Visitation: 3-6:30 (BridgeUp) Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>13 ESOL: 11-1PM (LL) ESOL: 11-1PM (BridgeUp) Drivers Exam Prep: 2-3PM Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>14 Thrive Mental Health: 10:30-6:30PM (LL) Get Covered Tabling: 10:30-6:30PM 1-on-1 Computer Help: 11-1PM Adult Tech Time: 5-6:30PM</p>	<p>15 Adult Coloring: TIAM Movie Afternoon: 2-4PM (LL) Video Visitation: 3-4:30PM (BridgeUp) Adult Tech Time: 3-5:30PM</p>	<p>16 Brain Teasers: TIAM Adult Tech Time: 3-4:30PM Education Unlimited: 12-1:30PM (LL) Book-to-Movie Adaptation: 2-4PM (LL)</p>
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