

Senior Issues Manhattan Community Board 9
November 1st 2022

Anthony Fletcher; Walter T Alexander, Co-Chairs; Lydia Gerson, Aurelis Mejia, Carlton Davis, Patricia Caldwell, Members; State Senator Robert Jackson, Victor Edwards and Eutha Prince (MCB9), Gail Powell, Cheyenne Miller (DOHMH), Verna Arthur (DFTA), Bailey (We Act), William Hamer (Harlem Advocate for Seniors), Annie Payne, Iretha Fletcher, Will Haggis (George Bruce Library), Dora Garcia (ARC), Fern Hertzberg, Yodalis Moran, Lorraine Wilbourne, Juanita Rodriguez, Beatrice DuPont, Alicia Barksdale; Marti Cummings, absent

Motion to start with a quorum - Annie Payne 11:06am

Eutha Prince 2nd

Anne Payne motion to accept notes from previous meeting

2nd by Anthony Fletcher

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New Member Introduction: Lydia Gerson, Patricia Caldwell

Anthony Fletcher co-chair

Agenda with 4 speakers

Dory Garcia - ARC

2 Sr Centers in Central Harlem

Presentation of impact of covid on seniors in Harlem

2020-Oct2022

93% of deaths were of seniors over 50 years old

65-85 .5 million

Lack of mobility during Covid to interact with others resulted in:

- Senor Centers unattended.
- Isolation
- The loneliness causing anxiety with seniors suffering with mental health issues.)

***Shared ARC Senior Ctrs.

- Here to serve our seniors.
- Services w/NYP for mental health issues.
- Facilities are opening

Anthony Fletcher Demographics

A Philip Randolph is mire populated African American

There are a lot more services offices are offered based on the requested needs of the centers

Arc does not sponsor Jackie Robinson

Funding based on proposed spending Fer response

Senator Robert Jackson speaks to:

- Encouraging people to vote and to answer resolutions.
- Budget left Albany for the aging 1.25 mil ombudsman
- Medicaid coverage for 65+ ERAP 946 mil
- Emergency Rental Assistance

Medicaid/Rental Assistance call to

- LRAP Landlord rental Assistance
- HONDA - Housing Neighbors with dignity

- On Nov. 3 Landlord harassment at 213th St & Broadway. Paying utilities bills are too high awarded 250 mil utility arrears. for 3/7/2020-3/7/2022. Has Dario Quinintet. Nov. 8th Election Day.
1. Clean Air Act
 2. Poverty Level Living Redefined
 3. Aging community Scams
 4. Age employment discrimination should not ask when someone graduated School

Issues

NY Healthcare Act abuse neglect and taking advantage

3333 Broadway Landlord refused LRAP funds

Senator Jackson's reply:

Contact City Councilman, State Representative and Senator for all issues of discrimination

Funding for Sr Ctrs at 146th Street

Victor Edwards

Medicare Advantage Plan being pushed by the Mayor Jackson says that they do not want this due to the copay and the need for 3rd Party approval to visit doctors & specialists

Sen. Jackson says a court action has been placed to appeal this action

City Council member City Funding 141st street State Assembly Inez Dickens for a 501c.3 Star level for Cordell Claire DFTA

Anthony Fletcher Co-chair

Possible is the state senator of our area as of Jan 1 2023

Pay bills with direct withdrawals from your account.

ATM scandal avoidance.

ERAP refusals should be brought to the attorney General

Con Ed bills are exorbitant at 3333 Bdwy at \$500. Monthly

Snap – will not increase the maximum income for seniors

Advise to speak to Alvin Bragg concerning discrimination.

Senator Cordell Claire

Baily at WE Act:

Utility Workshop Nov 3 at their office to fund utility bills

V Arthur:

Annual planned hearing nyc.gov-agent

Medicare enrollment until the 4th

Will Haggis George Bruce library still offering services

Patricia Caldwell intro to Anthony Fletcher co-chair of CB9 Sr Issues

Carlton Davis new member

old Business

Beatrice Dupont- being harassed by landlord and with being hacked. Advised by Ms. Prince to come to

CB9 3295 Broadway who will have an attorney who will assist on the first Thursday of each month 1-5pm.

Advised to speak the Manhattan DA's office

To Victor Edwards Happy Birthday

Motion to close Patricia Caldwell

2nd Anthony Fletcher