

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 6 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A, Bronx, NY 10457

Telephone: (718) 579-6990 Fax: (718) 579-6875 Email: bronxcb6@bronxcb6.org Honorable Ruben Diaz Jr., Bronx Borough President

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Health and Human Services Committee Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 18, 2017 Diana Diaz, Committee Chairperson

The Health and Human Services Committee met at the Bronx Community Board #6's district office. During the meeting, the following members were present:

The following items were discussed:

## **Discussion on the Tremont Neighborhood Health Action Center Open House**

Mr. Richard Sierra, MPH, Coordinator for the Bronx Neighborhood Health Action Center, announced that the Tremont Health Action Center Open House will be on Wednesday, April 26, 2017 at the Tremont Avenue site located on 1826 Arthur Avenue. He informed us about all the services and activities that will be available at the center.

Mr. Sierra also spoke about "La Bodegas" having healthier options for the community population. Supermarkets are regulated by the State Department of Agriculture and can be fined for hazards that may pose a threat to health and safety of the community. He informed us that the neighborhood "La Bodegas" are under the same standard that applies to the food service establishments. We were also informed that business that serve food to the public are required to have food handling certification. If there isn't a certification, that business subject to fines.

The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Department of Human Resources Administration are partnering by having a co-located space in the Neighborhood Action Center at Morrisania site located at 1309 Fulton Avenue. There will be an office space for applying for cash assistance and food stamps as well as re-certification. Estimated time of completion will be probably sometime mid-summer.

## Discussion on the potential Bronx Community Board #6 Health Event in August

Mr. John Sanchez informed us that the Montefiore Hospital are interested in co-hosting a health fair on either August 5<sup>th</sup> of August 12<sup>th</sup>. We will be providing further information when everything is finalized.

## The Health and Human Services Committee meets every third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM in our district office.