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**Health and Human Services Committee Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

Jannie Armstrong, Committee Chairperson  
Jacquetta Whaley, Committee Co-Chairperson

The Health and Human Services Committee met on Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at the Bronx Community Board # 6 office. The following members attended this meeting: Jannie Armstrong, Michael Nelson, and Jaquetta Whaley.

A presentation was given by Ilish Neely, MPH, Sharon Marshall-Taylor, CPH CLC, Anne McGroarty, MPH, Hannah Emple, Hanna Emple from NYC Health Center for Health Equity- Neighborhood Health Action Center. They discussed women's health, specifically pregnancy, infant mortality and outcomes compared to high income neighborhoods. They stated that data was collected by NYC Health Department Vital Statistics; the results indicated that the disparity in health care delivery is driven by multiple factors, including, but not limited to: racism at the institutional and policy levels, poor housing, increased exposure to violence, etc. The presenters informed the Committee that free services at the Health Action Center to decrease these inequities will include prenatal and postpartum visits, labor and birth support, social support, and DOULA (trained professionals who provide physical and emotional support to pregnant women).

On Saturday, May 18, 2019, Bronx Community Board #6 and Friends of Tremont Park will be conducting a 5K walk/run for Lupus Awareness at Tremont Park at 10:00 AM. Individuals are encouraged to register to volunteer, walk, or run at [www.elitefeats.com?Lupus](http://www.elitefeats.com?Lupus). Those who participate will make a donation contribution to Lupus Research Alliance.

On March 30, 2019 Committee members and other Community Board #6 members attended a breakfast/awards ceremony given by NYC Councilman Ritchie Torres at New York Botanical Gardens.

On April 01, 2019, at a community meeting at Mary Mitchell Family and Youth Center, students from Pratt Institute, Brooklyn presented on "The Existing Conditions in CB6" and gave a general overview of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats in CB6. This informational presentation will be shared with Mothers on the Move in the Bronx. Members of CB6 suggested that this presentation should also be shared with CB6 members at one of our General Board meetings.

The Health and Human Services Committee meets every third Tuesday of the month at the Bronx Community Board #6's district office located at 1932 Arthur Avenue, Room 403-A.

*Honorable Ritchie Torres,*  
City Council Member, 15<sup>th</sup> Council District

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City Council Member, 17<sup>th</sup> Council District