

Bronx Community Board 8

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BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 APRIL 2021 MEETINGS



PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE FOR UPDATES (www.nyc.gov/bronxcb8)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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5 <u>LAND USE</u> 7:00 PM	6 <u>Hudson River Greenway Special Committee</u> 7:00pm	7 <u>EXECUTIVE</u> 7:00 PM	8 <u>SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON RACIAL EQUITY</u> 7:00pm	9
12 <u>AGING</u> 3:00pm	13 <u>FULL BOARD</u> 7:00 PM	14 <u>HEALTH, HOSPITALS & SOCIAL SERVICES</u> 7:00 PM	15 <u>TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION</u> 7:00 PM	16
<u>LAW, RULES & ETHICS</u> 7:00 PM				
19 <u>YOUTH</u> 7:30 PM	20 <u>PUBLIC SAFETY</u> 7:00 PM	21 <u>ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION</u> Public Hearing 7:00 PM Regular Meeting 7:30 PM (NOTE CHANGE IN TIME)	22 <u>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT</u> 7:00PM	23
26 <u>HOUSING</u> 7:00PM	27 <u>EDUCATION, LIBRARIES & CULTURAL AFFAIRS</u> 7:30PM	28 <u>PARKS & RECREATION</u> 7:00PM	29 <u>SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON VETERANS SERVICES</u> 7:00pm	30

*Rates & locations are subject to change. If you do not receive a meeting notice, please verify with the Board Office 718-884-3959

Dear Community Members:

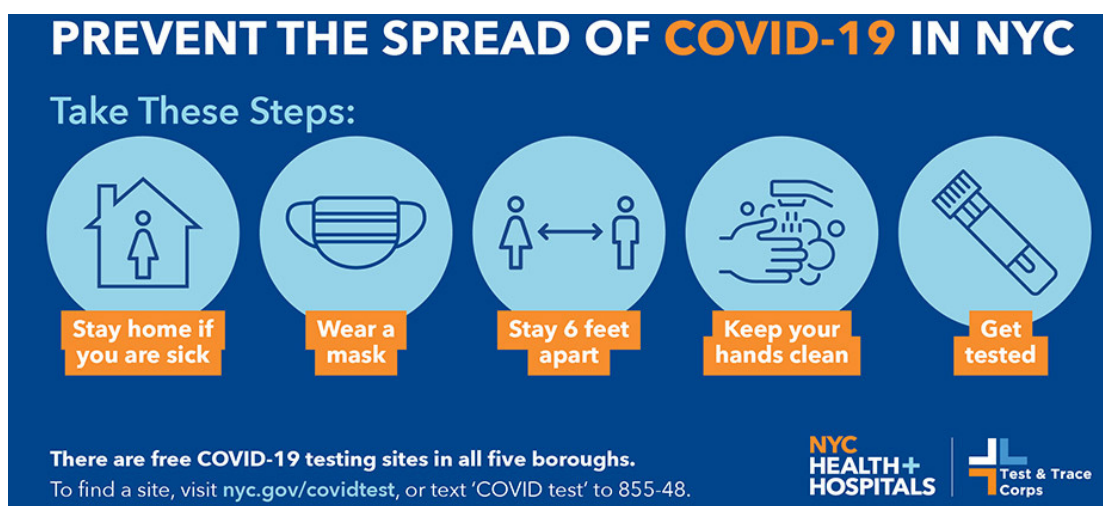
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Happy spring!

The Community Board is accepting nominations for two exciting awards, The Betty Campbell Adams Most Valuable Merchant Award & The Irving Ladimer Community Service Award, please see more details below! In March, CB8 also voted to restart the Special Committee on Veterans Services, be sure to attend the meeting on March 29th. The Community Board Office Staff continue to work remotely and are fully capable to assist with any resident complaints, community issues and general inquiries. All meetings are held on zoom and are open to the public. Feel free to sign up for our mailing list so that you receive all newsletters, agendas, minutes & general board correspondence.

Don't hesitate to reach out to us at BX08@cb.nyc.gov or at (718)884-3959. We look forward to working with you.

Ciara Gannon
District Manager



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE:

For a list of Testing Sites & information on testing run by New York City [click here](#) and for sites run by New York State [click here](#).

Yankee Stadium has opened as a mass vaccination site for Bronx Residents. [Click here](#) to make an appointment OR call (833)SOMOSNY. Check your local pharmacy for vaccine appointments as well.

Vaccines are now available for people 16 and older! For information on vaccine eligibility [click here](#) and for vaccine appointments [click here](#). If you need transportation to a vaccination site you may use Access A Ride or schedule a free ride with Curb at (646) 349- 0289.

CB8 Committee Corner

Environment & Sanitation Committee

Environmental Justice

The Environment and Sanitation Committee of Bronx Community Board 8 invites you to special public hearing on environmental justice in our community on April 21st. The Mayor's Office of Climate Policy and Programs Environmental Justice for All Report has designated Kingsbridge, Van Cortlandt Village, Kingsbridge Heights, the Broadway Corridor, Marble Hill, and the North Riverdale/Hebrew Home area as Environmental Justice areas. How is your health and well-being negatively impacted by environmental factors such as air quality, development, access to parks and river shorelines, affordable alternative energy solutions, pollution from cars, buses or highways, noise, light pollution, population density, flooding, lack of shade or cooling centers, and more? As our planet warms, our poorest neighborhoods can be our most vulnerable. Please come share your ideas on what can be done now to mitigate negative environmental impacts and achieve environmental justice in our community.

The Betty Campbell Adams Most Valuable Merchant Award

Community Board No. 8 is pleased to announce that it is accepting nominations for the Betty Campbell Adams Award Most Valuable Merchant Award. Betty Campbell Adams was an iconic entrepreneur and was devoted to the betterment of our community. We believe that by recognizing our outstanding local merchants, we can in some small way reward those most deserving and inspire other businesses to follow her example. We seek to identify merchants within our community that have worked to enhance economic growth and improve community relations, as Betty did. We are seeking to identify merchants within our community that have worked to enhance economic growth and improve community relations in some way, big or small. The Betty Campbell Adams Most Valuable Merchant Award acknowledges merchants that add to the betterment of our community. It is our belief that by recognizing our outstanding local merchants, we can in some small way reward those most deserving and inspire other businesses to follow their examples.

TO NOMINATE A LOCAL BUSINESS [CLICK HERE.](#)

The Irving Ladimer Community Service Award

Bronx Community Board 8 is pleased to announce that it is accepting nominations for the Irving Ladimer Community Service Award (CSA). The only criteria for consideration is that the nominee has acted on a volunteer basis to improve or enhance, in some way, the quality of life of those living or working in the Bronx Community Board 8 area. The nominations are open to individuals and organizations or groups with an interest in the community.

TO NOMINATE SOMEONE [CLICK HERE](#)

Statement of Bronx Community Board 8 Racism and Hate Have No Place in Our Community

Bronx Community Board 8 represents the interconnectedness of Black and White Americans, as well as Caribbean, Hispanic, Asian, Latinx, Jewish, LGBTQIA, Indigenous, disabled, Muslim, and all people of color.

We affirm that we are proud of our diversity, and stand together against all forms of hate, division, and violence that threaten lives, our sense of security, our union and our system of democracy.

Excerpted from a resolution passed on January 12, 2021



Special Committee on Racial Equity

BxCB8 created the Special Committee on Racial equity over the summer; it's BxCB8's way of serving our community and it is one of the first in New York City. The committee, through a series of reports and meetings, will help CB8 to build a practice of racial equity into our work. The committee aims to develop a framework to research, consider and identify issues of inequity that affect our diverse communities within the purview of BxCB8 and its committees. This initial report reviews the background of this historical moment, the overall role of the board, the committee's initial framework of engagement and finally initial recommendations on how to build a practice of equity for CB8. This report will be a part of others to document, analyze and suggest solutions to the disparities that exist within our district and build strategies to address them. To learn more about the committee please read the [initial report](#) and send the board office any comments you may have.

The SCRE Committee would appreciate any and all feedback. Should you or your organization want to get more involved with this committee please attend a meeting or reach out to the Board Office at BX08@CB.NYC.GOV

New York Public Library Updates

The Following branches are open for Pick Up & Drop Off Service: Spuyten Duyvil , Van Courtlandt Jerome park and Kingsbridge.

NYPL offers Shelf Help which can be found [here](#) for personalized book services!

For virtual events including Short Story Book Discussions , Adult Trivia, Game On for Teens and other various programs [click here](#).



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