

Bronx Community Board 8

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BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD NO. 8 OCTOBER 2022 MEETINGS



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3 LAND USE 7:00 PM College of Mount St. Vincent 6301 Riverdale Avenue Science Hall Rm. 101	4 YOM KIPPUR NO WORK	5 YOM KIPPUR NO WORK	6 EXECUTIVE 7:00 PM (note change in date) College of Mt. St. Vincent 6301 Riverdale Avenue Elizabeth Seton Library - Rm 227	7
10 COLUMBUS/INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY OFFICE CLOSED AGING (NO MEETING)	11 SUKKOT NO WORK	12 HEALTH, HOSPITALS & SOCIAL SERVICES 7:00 PM Board Office 5676 Riverdale Ave #100	13 FY 24 CAPITAL & EXPENSE BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING 7:00 PM FULL BOARD Immediately after Public Hearing Riverdale Y 5625 Arlington Avenue	14
17 SHEMINI ATZERET & SIMCHAT TORAH NO WORK YOUTH (NO MEETING)	18 SHEMINI ATZERET & SIMCHAT TORAH NO WORK	19 ENVIRONMENT & SANITATION 7:00 PM Board Office 5676 Riverdale Ave #100	20 TRAFFIC & TRANSPORTATION 7:00 PM (Location TBD)	21
24 HOUSING 7:00 PM Board Office 5676 Riverdale Ave #100	25 EDUCATION, LIBRARIES & CULTURAL AFFAIRS 7:30PM Board Office 5676 Riverdale Ave #100	26 PARKS & RECREATION 7:00PM (Location TBD)	27 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT 7:30 PM (Location TBD)	28
31 LAW, RULES & ETHICS 7:00 PM Board Office 5676 Riverdale Ave #100 (note change in date)				

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

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Please call 311 to report quality of life issues and then email the CB8 Office with details and we will follow up with the appropriate city agency.

Community Board 8 Summer Outreach

It has been a busy summer! CB8 was happy to join the Marble Hill Houses Family Day, 50th Precinct's National Night Out and Riverdale Pride. Thank you to our communities for hosting such great events.



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Congratulations to our Irving Ladimer Community Service Awardees

The award acknowledges the many volunteer efforts of groups and individuals within our community. It is our belief that by recognizing our committed community volunteers, we can in some small way reward those most deserving and inspire others to follow their example.

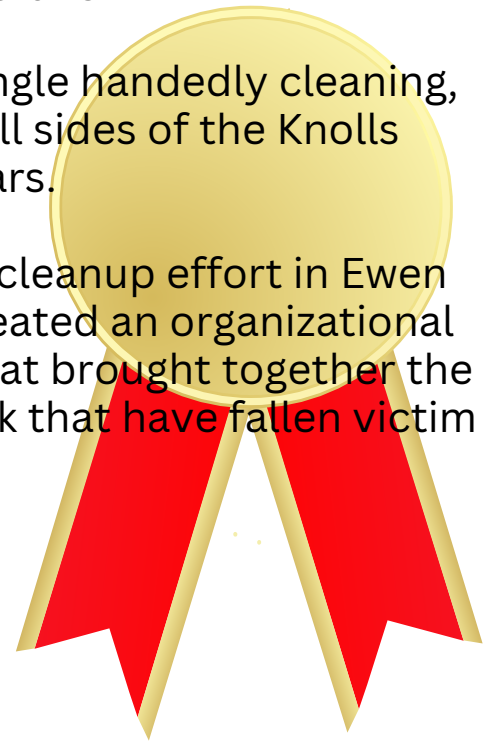
Riverdale Y Jewish Community Center, Senior Volunteer Meals Program, for its outstanding efforts in helping homebound seniors during and after the pandemic by delivering meals and offering companionship to 200 senior citizens daily.

Sara Allen & Selma Raven, for their immediate response to the problem of food insecurity by starting the first community fridge in the Bronx, known as the Friendly Fridge. With their volunteers they direct five to seven thousand pounds of food per week into the hands of our community.

Danny Monge, for his outstanding work as Volunteer Coordinator of Angel Tree, an organization that hosts Christmas parties for children of incarcerated parents. During the pandemic Danny also delivered necessary supplies such as wipes, and masks to those in need. He also volunteers with Together We Can Free Communities and assisted with the restoration of the Bell Tower Memorial Flagpole honoring our veterans.

Rita Freed, for her tireless environmental efforts in single handedly cleaning, beautifying, and maintaining the green spaces on all sides of the Knolls Crescent shopping district for years.

Julie Jenkins, for initiating and guiding the volunteer cleanup effort in Ewen Park. She has raised funds, marshalled volunteers, created an organizational structure, chaired meetings, and created a calendar that brought together the community to clean and even re-claim parts of the park that have fallen victim to dumping and graffiti.



Congratulations to our Betty Campbell Adams Most Valuable Merchant Awardees



These local businesses have volunteered their efforts, exhibited superb entrepreneurship while making significant social contributions to the community and exemplifying the spirit of Betty Campbell Adams for which the award is named.

Bronx Burger House - Laura Levine-Pinedo and Andre El-Saieh – Laura Levine-Pinedo (manager) and Andre El-Saieh (owner) work tirelessly to make an impact on the community. Some of their activities include providing hot meals to Hebrew Home essential workers during the pandemic, hosting activities and celebrations for families at the Broadway Family Plaza Shelter, leading fundraising drives to help victims of fires in the Bronx, and partnering with Giving Friends, a non-profit that helps support families living in poverty and crisis.

One Yoga for All – Eduvigis Marmolejos - Eduvigis has a keen sense of the importance of community and has built inclusiveness into her business. She stands out as a business owner who promotes other minority-owned businesses in the Bronx by organizing a regular pop-up market in her yoga studio. Eduvigis offered donation-based community classes, providing yoga instruction to those who could otherwise not afford it. In doing so, she has advanced both economic growth and social justice in the Bronx during the pandemic.

Cora's Hardware – Patti Cassiere and Joe Sparacio - Patti was a founding member of the North Riverdale Merchants Association, now known as the Riverdale Main Streets Alliance. She served as treasurer for over a decade and worked diligently towards the success of businesses on the avenue. Patti and Joe, recently retired, are receiving this award for their longstanding participation in civic activities engaging the Riverdale community.

Riverdale Auto Clinic formerly Tigerdale Automotive – Jimmy Packes (posthumously) - The Riverdale Press has chronicled the many kindnesses Jimmy showered on his Riverdale customers, including front-line workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. He provided dedicated and friendly service to all, often recognizing customer financial limitations. Mr. Packes enticed other merchants to remain in our community and enhanced economic growth. Jimmy's warmth and dedication to the community will be long remembered, even as we mourn his passing in January 2022 at age 83.



Community Board 8 receives complaints of Tractor Trailers Parked along highway service roads and we thank NYPD & DSNY for quick attention to the matter. Remember to call similar complaints into 311 and email the board office with the complaint and photos.



CB8's Capital & Expense Budget Priorities- FY 24

Join us at the Full Board Meeting & Public Hearing on Thursday, October 13th at The Riverdale Y. The New York City Charter mandates a role for community boards in the annual preparation and review of the City's budget. Each spring, the Board's committees consider the most pressing needs of the community. A public hearing is held by the full Board at its October meeting. In February the process is followed again when the Board reviews the Mayor's responses & preliminary budget for the coming fiscal year. Community participation is encouraged and welcomed at both the committee meetings and the public hearing

FY 24 Budget Documents

To view CB8' budget requests [click here](#).



October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month



moving victims of violence from crisis to confidence

Safe Horizon's mission is to provide support, prevent violence and promote justice for victims of crime and abuse, their families and communities.

----- Safe Horizon has an office in our District -----

New York City Police Department – 50th Precinct – Domestic Violence Victim Advocate
3450 Kingsbridge Ave.,
Bronx, NY 10463

718-543-6072

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Join us at Memorial Grove on November 6, 2022

Save the Date: Sunday, November 6, 2022

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you to participate in the 16th Annual Veterans Day Event at Memorial Grove*
ortlandt Park.

orter of veterans and a respected part of our community, your presence is very impr
ope you will join us!

you to save the date: **November 6, 2022 • 12 PM**

ast, the program has included:
rocession and posting of the American Flag;
ledge of Allegiance to the Flag and singing of the National Anthem;
emarks by local War Veterans;
emarks by local elected officials and Community Board 8.

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in College, as well as local Boy Scout Troop 240 and NYPD's 50th Precinct.

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ke more information or would like to suggest program ideas, please contact
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Protect Yourself and Others From Monkeypox

 **Do not have sex or other intimate contact if you or your partners have a new rash or sores, feel sick, or were recently exposed to monkeypox.** Ask your partners whether they have monkeypox symptoms and about their recent sexual history.

 **Frequently wash your hands, bedding, towels and other shared items.** Sex toys should be washed after each use or sex act.

 **Get vaccinated if you may have been recently exposed to monkeypox.** To find a vaccination site, visit nyc.gov/vaccinefinder.

 **Talk to your health care provider about testing, pain management or treatment if you have monkeypox symptoms.** If you do not have a provider, call **311** to get connected to care.

For more information, including about vaccine eligibility, visit nyc.gov/monkeypox or scan the QR code. Text "MONKEYPOX" to 692-692 for the most up-to-date information.



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