

Community Board N BRONX, NEW YORK CITY

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COMMUNITY BOARD & COMMITTEE CALENDAR

FULL BOARD MEETING

Visit our website to view agendas, minutes and information. Click on links below:

- Aging
- Board Meeting
- Economic Development
- Education, Libraries & Cultural Affairs
- Environment & Sanitation
- Executive Committee
- Health, Hospitals & Social Services
- Housing
- Land Use
- Law, Rules & Ethics
- Parks & Recreation
- Public Safety
- Traffic & Transportation
- Youth

HEN: Tuesday, June 9, 2020

TIME: 7:00 PM (Please Note Change in Time)

To join the Zoom Video Conference: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86411660690 To join Zoom via Phone Conference: 1 (646)558- 8656 pin: 86411660690#

BRONX COMMUNITY BOARD 8 JUNE 2020 MEETINGS

PLEASE CHECK WEBSITE FOR UPDATES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Zoom Conference 7:30 PM	2	3 Executive Zoom Conference 7:30 PM	4	5
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ALL ZOOM CONFERENCE LOGIN INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE COMMITTEE AGENDA POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE.



Please go to www.nyc.gov/bronxcb8 for an update of our calendar.

In accordance with the New York City Charter, Community Board 8 does not schedule meetings for the months of July and August. Please check out our website and Facebook for any updated meetings.

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• Coronavirus Updates:

As you are aware, the City is currently responding to the novel coronavirus, and we want to make sure that you are provided with the most up-to-date information.

Tips for Using Face Coverings:



Remember: All New Yorkers are required to wear a mask or face covering when out in public and in situations where a 6-foot distance from others cannot be maintained.

For Real Time Updates Text COVID to 692-69

Testing Sites: Find a Testing Site Near You

Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C

If your child has symptoms contact your doctor immediately. Call 311 if you need a doctor.
Common symptoms include Persistent fever
Irritability or sluggishness Abdominal pain, diarrhea, vomiting

Multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) is a new health condition associated with COVID-19 that is appearing in children in New York City and elsewhere. The syndrome was previously called pediatric multisystem inflammatory syndrome or PMIS. MIS-C is like other serious inflammatory conditions such as Kawasaki disease and toxic shock syndrome.



Children with MIS-C can have problems with their heart and other organs and need to receive medical care in a hospital. MIS-C is a rare condition. However, because children with this syndrome may become seriously ill, it is important that parents know the signs and symptoms their children may have, so they can get help right

Most children have fever lasting several days, along with other symptoms. Other common symptoms include: • Irritability or decreased activity • Abdominal pain without another explanation • Diarrhea • Vomiting • Rash • Conjunctivitis (red or pink eyes) • Poor feeding • Red, cracked lips or red, bumpy tongue that looks like a strawberry • Swollen hands and feet, which might also be red

Call your child's doctor immediately if your child has a persistent fever plus any of the above symptoms. If your child is severely ill, go to the nearest emergency room or call 911 immediately.

Housing:

If you or somebody you know are facing eviction please know that Eviction Orders have been suspended statewide indefinitely. This means that during this health crisis, landlords can't sue, there will be no evictions, and all courts that hear eviction cases are closed. The moratorium applies to both residential tenants (in all types of housing) and commercial tenants. The Right to Counsel NYC Coalition has made an FAQ section available on their **website** to address questions about the eviction moratorium. You can also always call the Housing Court Answers hotline at 212-962-4795 with any questions.

NYCHA Updates: For more information about NYCHA please click here.

New York City will be distributing 74,000 Air Conditioners to New York City's most vulnerable. Eligible New Yorkers will be identified by NYCHA, the city's Department for the Aging (DFTA), Human Resources Administration (HRA) and Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD).

Community Board 8 is pleased to announce the translation into Spanish and publication of our Housing Resource Guide, a guide that is a directory to assist residents with all manner of housing needs. Since we cannot distribute to groups or at meetings as in the past, if you would like a copy, please notify us and we will mail you one. Also note that the guide in English and Spanish are on the Community Board's **Website**.

Education:

All schools in New York City have been closed until the new school year in September and students are learning from home. For DOE remote learning information click **here**.

The online tutoring service Varsity Tutors is offering free live classes and virtual summer camps to support parents and students during this crisis.

AT&T has opened registration for their "Summer Learning Academy," a free online certificate program for college students with 80 hours of coursework in business subjects.

Small Businesses:

Small Business Services is offering New York City businesses support such as grants. And other financial assistance to New York City's small businesses. For more information, **click here.** <u>Time is of the essence, so if you plan on seeking relief please do so as soon as possible.</u> Additional resources for local businesses can be found **here**.

We urge residents to support open local businesses during this time.



New York Public Library: All Public Libraries have been temporarily closed, but they are offering great programs and resources. Learn how to access the library's digital remote resources **here**. The Library is also offering free tutoring for children. Daily homework help is available from 2pm-11pm in both English and Spanish. **Click here** for more information on tutoring and homework help.

Parks: If you choose to visit one of our local parks, please continue to practice social distancing and maintain a 6 ft distance with other park-goers. Park facilities are being cleaned and disinfected daily. For more information and changes to local parks **click here**. NYC parks and beaches are open, although swimming is not allowed at NYC beaches.

<u>**Take Out Don't Hang Out:</u>** The Governor's Executive Order of May 22, 2020 allows gatherings of up to 10 people, but does NOT change current State restrictions on restaurants and bars. Restaurants and bars are still limited to take out and delivery.</u>

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Should you have any questions regarding Coronavirus and cannot find an answer, please reach out to The Bronx Community Board 8 Office at (718)884-3959 or bx08@cb.nyc.gov.

KEEP PHYSICAL SPACE TO STOP THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

• Do Your Part & Donate Blood!



There is a national blood shortage because blood drives are being canceled.

Please make an appointment at the **New York Blood Center** to see how you can help. New York Blood Center donor centers are no longer accepting walk-ins. You must make an appointment at the center you wish to visit or call 800-933-2566.

Healthy individuals

are encouraged to donate to maintain a ready blood supply. #DonateToday

For New Yorkers who have recovered from coronavirus and were tested before March

7th, please consider donating your blood plasma to save another New Yorker's life. You can sign up for plasma donation here or email your information to covidserumtesting@mountsinai.org.

You can also donate blood plasma through the Red Cross here.



THE TIME TO GIVE BLOOD IS NOW

• U.S. CENSUS 2020- HAPPENING NOW!

The once-a-decade population count affects your representation in government, determines how much funding your community receives, and provides data to help you plan for the future.

Health clinics. Fire departments. Schools. Even roads and highways. The census can shape many different aspects of your community.



You can fill out your questionnaire online NOW here.



• **Composting Update:**

The suspension of curbside composting began in May and is planned through June, 2021. There are no changes to the Department's other curbside collection programs, including trash and mandatory recycling.

- Residents should follow their normal schedule and place their material at the curb after 4 p.m. but before midnight the evening before their collection day.
- Residents who use their brown bins for curbside composting should discard food scraps and yard waste with their trash. Trash should be put out for collection in securely tied heavy-duty bags or leak proof receptacles with tightly fitting lids.



- Residents should save their brown bins for when organic/compost pickup resumes. Brown compost bins belong to the address where they were originally delivered. DSNY will not collect brown bins. Please do not leave bins on the curb.
- Residents are encouraged to make compost on their own if they have the space to do so. Residents can learn how to compost at home by clicking here.

The Community Board will create one summer newsletter. We will then see you in September.

