

Bronx Community Board #2

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Dr. Ian Amritt
Chairperson



Ralph Acevedo
District Manager

Youth Service Committee Larry Robinson, Chairman Wednesday, May 17, 2017

Our meeting was held at StartUp Box which is a Technology Start Up Organization that hires locally. They are available for any events due to space availability. They are located at:

StartUp Box
866 Hunts Point Avenue
Bronx, NY 10474
718-542-6600

Our 1st presenter was Ms. Katie Aylwin, a senior Director of Education & Youth Development for WHEDco. Ms. Katie Aylwin basically spoke about WHEDco's wide range of education and youth services available to the community. WHEDco has a great child care proven along with a great support system for women, especially those seeking childcare services. For additional information please feel free to contact Ms. Katie Aylwin at:

WHEDCO
Ms. Katie Aylwin – Senior Director
50 East 168th Street
Bronx, NY 10452
718-839-1184
www.WHEDCO.org

Our next presenter was Mr. Kenn Acquah who is the present President of Hope for Us, Inc. Mr. Arquah was accompanied by his lovely mother Mrs. Vera Acquah. Mr. Kenny Acquah spoke about his organization Hope for Us, Inc. and its mission

to enhance and improve the quality of life for the youth living in low-income communities and children with Sickle Cell Anemia. For additional information please contact Mr. Kenny Acquah at:

Hope for Us, Inc.
28 Metropolitan Oval
Bronx, NY 10462
917-536-8427
www.trusthope.org

Our next presenter was Ms. Keisha Keith. She is the Resources Specialist for the Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD). Ms. Keisha Keith was great in giving out information about DYCD. Please feel free to contact her at:

Resource Specialist Dept. of Youth and Community Development
123 William Street
New York, NY 10038
646-343-6727
www.nyc.gov/dycd

Ms. Monique Minnis the Founder of Black Communities Work & Moving the Chains followed next in order. She basically spoke that her organization is a community based organization that is homegrown and her doors are always opened to the community. Ms. Minnis can be reached at the following:

Black Communities Work/Moving the Chains
889 Hunts Point Ave #54
Bronx, NY 10474
347-597-2131
www.movingthechains.org
@BlackCommunitiesWork

Ms. Audrey DeJesus gave a quick presentation as the Outreach Coordinator for the NYPD. She indicated that Free Prom Dresses are now available for our community youths. Please reach out to Ms. DeJesus at:

917-365-6228
Adejesus46@yahoo.com

And last but not least was our very own librarian Ms. Liana Acevedo. Ms. Acevedo spoke to us about the following happenings and issues with the Hunts Point Library. Here is a cap of some of the things she presented to us:

- 20 million for full interior renovation of the Hunts Point Library.
- Branch closure will happen spring/summer 2018 and reopen in 2020
- Pop up location will be searched for at a closer closing time.
- Small business Resource fair – June 16th from 11am 2pm
- July public theater coming to Hunts Point Branch to hand out tickets to the Hunts Point community for a Shakespreare in the Park Midsummer Nights Dream performance < Exact Date TBD>
- Knowledge House flyer for 10 fellowship applicants for coding and tech training for LGBTQ of color.

For more information please contact Mr. Liana Acevedo at:

The Hunts Point Library
877 Southern Blvd
Bronx, NY 10459
718-617-0338