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Pulse 35: Fall Newsletter

A LETTER FROM LAURIE

Dear Neighbor:

There's so much happening in the 35th District! From ground breaking legislation to the preservation of African-American cultural icons, Central Brooklyn is vibrant and full of new discoveries.

As we settle into a new school year and start thinking about 2020, I want to thank the community for their constant support. I am committed to keeping Brooklyn a cultural trademark for all to come and enjoy art, music, scholarship, and excellence.



As Brooklyn continues to grow and expand, it is important to me that we continue preserving it's legacy by highlighting women, people of color, members of the LGBTQ+ community, and all groups who play a role in the growth and development of this dynamic district. Let's continue to make Brooklyn the greatest place on earth!

Yours in Partnership,

A TIME FOR HEALING

These past few months have shaken our community and our nation. As we heal from the impacts of gun violence in our neighborhoods and across the U.S., District 35 is committed to coming together and stopping the hate with love and mutual respect.

In August, we joined the community for a prayer vigil commemorating the lives of those lost in Dallas, TX and Dayton, OH earlier this season, as well as the lives lost here in Brooklyn everyday.



September 2019: Community comes together for street co-naming of Melquain Jatelle Anderson Drive.



August 2019:
Community
comes together
in prayer in Pro-
spect Heights
and mobilizing
to end gun violence
in Crown
Heights.

What the Leg?

Check out some of the major legislation introduced or co-sponsored by Councilmember Cumbo.



September 2019: Co-prime sponsor on bill for equal pay for city-wide EMS Workers- Majority Leader Cumbo stands in solidarity with female EMS workers!



August 2019: Introduction of regulation for safer lactation spaces.



July 2019: Introduction of updated HRA protocol following heart-wrenching story of young mother, Jazmine Headley.

For more information, contact our Legislative Director, Jason Hur.
jhur@council.nyc.gov

Unity in the Community: #OneCrownHeights, Community Block Party, and More !

September was great month for the community! With the help of many neighborhood sponsors and dear colleagues, we were able to come together and support diversity, inclusion, and family fun throughout the district.

On September 15th, our office partnered with the Brooklyn Children's Museum and the Project C.A.R.E partners for the 4th Annual #OneCrownHeights Neighborhood Festival, helping to promote "unity in the community."



Nearly 28 years after the Crown Heights Riots, this festival was created to bring the Black and Jewish communities of Crown Heights together, and now serves as a cornerstone cultural event for all to enjoy. We had performances from Uncle Moishy, Tropical Fete, the Victory Music and Dance Company, and so many more.



Kids and families enjoyed a day of family fun in Brooklyn's Brower Park and was granted free admission to the Brooklyn Children's Museum all day long!

A week prior, we spent the day outside of our office at 55 Hanson Place joining Assemblyman Walter Mosely and other elected officials for the First Annual Hanson Place Community Block Party. We kicked off the back to school season with book bag giveaways, live music, performers, games, and food!

Crown Heights community comes together for #OneCrownHeights



Community enjoys an afternoon of fellowship at the First Annual Hanson Place Community Block Party



\$1 MILLION DOLLARS!! HOW WOULD YOU SPEND IT IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

Participatory Budgeting
is a democratic process in which community members directly decide how to spend a part of their Council Member's discretionary funds.



HOW WOULD YOU SPEND \$1 MILLION IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD?

Help decide how to spend public funds on improvements to Schools, Parks, Libraries, Public Housing and other public spaces through **Participatory Budgeting!**

Join an upcoming Neighborhood Assembly to brainstorm ideas with your neighbors!

- ✓ **REAL MONEY**
- ✓ **REAL PROJECTS**
- ✓ **REAL POWER**

2019

Idea Collection & Volunteer Recruitment

August 2019 – October 2019

Through community meetings, residents brainstorm ideas and recruit Budget Delegates for the current cycle.

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UPCOMING NEIGHBORHOOD ASSEMBLIES:

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Brooklyn Academy of Music – BAM Fisher
(Located in the Leavitt Workshop space)
321 Ashland Place
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Thursday, October 3, 2019

Brooklyn Central Library
10 Grand Army Plaza (Room 214)
6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Thursday, October 10, 2019

Eastern Parkway Branch Library
1044 Eastern Pkwy
6:00 PM-7:30 PM

**Still not sure
what is
eligible for
funding?**

**Attend one of our up-
coming
Neighborhood
Assemblies!
Call us at (718) 260-
9191 to RSVP.**

For the Culture: Betty Carter Park and Randy Weston Way

Brooklyn is home to some of the greatest musicians, writers, entertainers, and cultural producers of our time.

As an advocate of the arts, I am very proud to continue supporting projects that highlight our community's work contributions to arts and culture.

This September, we joined Clinton Hill for the co-naming of "Randy Weston Way," celebrating the life and legacy of jazz pioneer Randy Weston. Dr. Weston who was a lover of all things Brooklyn, touched the hearts of many with his soulful sounds, reminding us of mystical melodies of Africa.



Majority Leader Cumbo celebrates with community at the street co-naming ceremony for Dr. Randy Weston, world-renown pianist.

Furthermore, not even two weeks after, I had the honor of celebrating the renaming and ribbon cutting Ceremony of Betty Carter Park. As an African American female jazz icon, Mrs. Carter changed the landscape of Jazz in Brooklyn, and lived right here in the Fort Greene neighborhood for several decades.

Being able to honor the legacies of both Randy Weston and Betty Carter was one of the highlights of this year. I look forward to many more co-namings and dedications celebrating and honoring the legends of our communities!



Majority Leader sponsors re-naming of Betty Carter Park in honor of the late great jazz legend.

RESOURCE CORNER

Looking to expand your work experience?

Want to make REAL change in the community? INTERNS WANTED!
Join #TeamCumbo!

For more information on how to apply, email Ldorvil@council.nyc.gov
(subject line: "Internship")



COME STOP BY OUR DISTRICT OFFICE!
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Stabilizing NYC is looking to fund groups who work in neighborhoods of need with rent-regulated tenants and are committed to grassroots, direct action organizing and leadership development.

Applications are **due October 10, 2019**. For more information, email Jackie Del Valle, SNYC Coordinator at jdelvalle@takerootjustice.org.

The New York City Complete Count Fund is a partnership between The City University of New York (CUNY), the City Council and NYC Census 2020 and provides an opportunity for community-based organizations to participate in the City's Census initiative.

Apply for award grants between \$25,000 to \$250,000. Deadline **October 18, 2019**. Visit [NYC Complete Count Fund website](#) for additional details.