

Chairman Brandon Ganaishlal - District Manager William Rivera

Social Services Committee Meeting Summary January 5, 2021

Board Members Present: Committee Vice Chair Doralina Colon, Alizia McMyers, Sharyn Brown, Jorge Hurtado, Public Member Rogier van Vlissingen

1. New Business

A. As per Committee Chair Doralina the city is currently working on a vaccine plan for seniors who are phase 4. Seniors with biggest need are those that are home bound and cannot access remote/virtual services. Neighborhood Shopp participates in the NY Connect Program which connects seniors in need to resources, they can be reached at 347-862-5200.

- B. CB9 to contact DFTA regarding registry for seniors to be able to contact them during emergencies like covid, in addition CB9 to follow-up with DFTA on vaccine plan for seniors.
- C. As per Sharyn Brown, Roxanne Reid passed away yesterday, she was the Castle Hill TA President and vigil was held earlier in the day.
- D. Public Member Rogier announced new Director of HHS and services from Starling Avenue Plant Based Program, Groups can be found on FB at https://www.facebook.com/groups/starlingaveplantbased. Program blog can be found at
- E. https://starlingaveplantbased.blogspot.com. Plant-Based Cook along can be found at https://starlingaveplantbased.blogspot.com/2020/12/2021-5-year-anniversary-of-un-fao.html

2. DM Report

- A. DM will attend Fellowship Covenant Church on Castle Hill Avenue and Grace & Peace Church at 348 White Plains Rd
- B. DM distributed toys to local hospital with BM Jorge and volunteers to North Central and at Yadira Arroyo playground with FDNY and NYPD
- C. Turkeys were distributed during Thanksgiving and turkey breasts for seniors in December
 - D. DM will continue distributing produce to food pantry and shelters in the district
 - E. Community Board applications are open
- F. Seniors Connected is postponed until further notice, possibly until March or April. Possible virtual meeting in February.
- G. DM shared health ranking link below with the group via chat https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/sites/default/files/media/document/CHR2020_NY_0.pdf

3. Adjournment

A. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

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