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Health and Human Services and Education Committee Meeting Minutes

This meeting was teleconferenced using Zoom

Attendees:

Lauren Springer, Chair
Clara Oza, Co-Chair
Amparo Abel-Bey
Dr. Rosamond Gianutsos
Danielle Brecker
Laura Shepard

Absentees:

John Bahia
Sandra Bigitschke
Phuntsok Tashi
Atanu Majumdar – Public Member

Public Members

Julie Chou

Guest

Adriana Beltran, Deputy Director - Woodside on the Move
Odanny Hinjosa, Program Assistant – NYC Welcome Back Center/Center for Immigrant Education and Training at LaGuardia Community College

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Debra Markell Kleinert, District Manager, Community Board 2

Lauren Springer, Chair Health & Human Services and Education Committee welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Lauren Springer started the meeting with introducing Adriana Beltran-Morelli from Woodside on the Move.

- Adriana Beltran-Morelli is the Deputy Director of Woodside On the Move.
- Woodside On the Move has been in the community for 47 years.
- They provide location services, after school programs, as well as summer school programs.
- They have expanded services to Jackson Heights as well as provide after school services and summer school services to several schools for the past 10 years

“Serving the Communities of Long Island City, Sunnyside, Woodside, and Maspeth”

- Besides the education services they also have their direct services department known as the housing department.
- They help seniors, immigrants, and low-income families to apply for benefits and assist tenants who have issues with landlords.
- They help constituents with their paperwork to go to court.
- They have pro bono lawyers for housing.
- The direct services department requires an appointment with a caseworker.
- Woodside On the Move is bringing back this summer computer classes for seniors and adults, as well as ESL classes at their Beacon program.
- Summer school applications will be available starting April 17 to May 1st, 2023.
- The summer school program will be from July 5th – August 18th, 2023.
- The summer school programs are free. Academics in the morning and recreation in the afternoon.
- The after-school program is from 2:20pm to 5:45pm, Monday to Friday, offered on-site in the school students attend.
- Citizenship courses will be provided at their community school P.S. 361.
- Graffiti removal services will be brought back again to small businesses in Woodside.
- On the third Saturday of each month, they work with elected officials to do a clean up to beautify the area, Woodside, Sunnyside and parts of Jackson Heights.
- Woodside On the Move is located at 51-23 Queens Blvd.
- P.S. 151 will be providing tutoring on Saturdays with English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics
- These programs are funded mainly through the City Council and State Funding.
- The Community Board can help Woodside On the Move through volunteering announcements and sharing information on the website.
- Those interested can contact Woodside On the Move and be added to their email list for a monthly newsletter.

Lauren Springer introduced Odanny Hinjosa.

- Odanny Hinjosa is the Program Assistant at the NYC Center for Immigrant Education and Training at LaGuardia Community College. A Division of Adult and Continuing Education.
- Odanny Hinjosa is also an Educational Case Manager.
- They offer to the community free English Class, free citizenship class, workforce trainings and NYC Welcome Back Center for healthcare professionals.
- Visit <http://www.lagcc.cuny.edu/ciet> to see the schedule of the classes.
- The school is transitioning to in-person classes.
- They also provide a free bi-lingual community health worker training course.
- To apply for the bi-lingual training visit: <https://tinyurl.com/CHWTLAGCC>
- Odanny Hinjosa told the Health committee that many migrants in the NYC shelters have been referred by their social worker to apply for these programs.
- The immigration status does not apply to these programs.
- Some of the training is 8 months long and therefore just once a year.

- The CB2 can help this program by sharing their information and introducing this agency as an option to help others.
- The link for International Trained Nurse is www.LAGUARDIA.EDU/NYCWBC

Julie Chou, Public Member gave a brief update on the NYC public bathrooms.

- Some board members from CB1, CB4 and CB5 in Manhattan wrote a draft resolution regarding open restaurants taking the public sidewalk and street for their personal gain and in exchange suggesting that they open their bathrooms to the public for use.
- This proposal of bathroom usage is happening in Germany as well as Great Britain.
- It started in Germany in 2000. There is a sticker on the front of the restaurant showing that the public can use the restroom in exchange for a stipend from the government.
- The stipend covers the maintenance cost of this public usage.
- Julie Chou will send a copy of this resolution to the CB2 office.

Lauren Springer thanked everyone for their attendance.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kim Waber