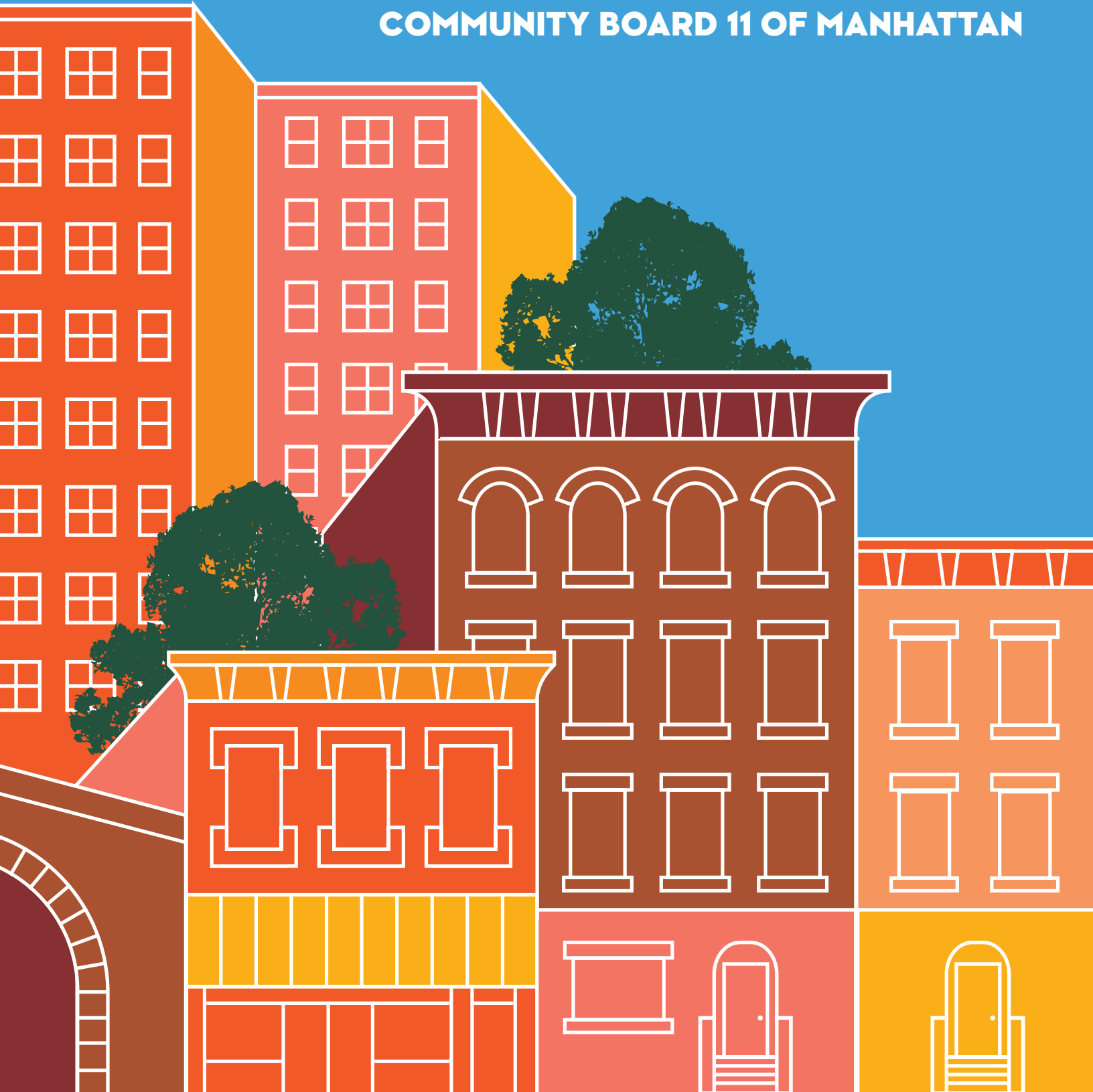


# CB11M

COMMUNITY BOARD 11 OF MANHATTAN



# WHAT IS A COMMUNITY BOARD?

In New York City, a Community Board is a municipal body that meets regularly to discuss and address issues affecting their Community District. As a combination of public body and government agency, Community Boards have a unique role to play in advising the City on how to best meet the needs of its residents. Anyone can attend a meeting to voice their concerns and help develop recommendations for the Borough President, City Council, the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs or other City agencies.

NYC is divided into 59 Community Districts. Each district has a Community Board of up to 50 voting members appointed by their respective Borough President, who serve in a voluntary capacity for two-year staggered terms. To be eligible to be a board member, individuals must reside, work, or have some other significant interest in the community district. Boards are supported by a District Manager and district office staff.

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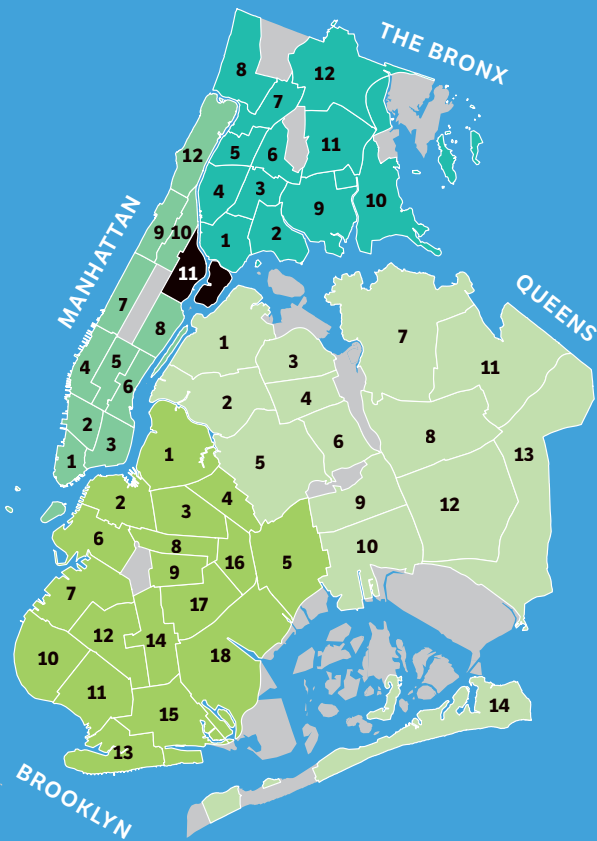


### WHO WE ARE

CB11 is made up of 50 individuals from all walks of life who share a deep love for East Harlem and an unparalleled dedication to public service. We are parents, legal experts, nonprofit leaders, activists, veterans, and everyday community residents. We represent the breadth of thought, experience, and values needed to advocate on behalf of our diverse community.

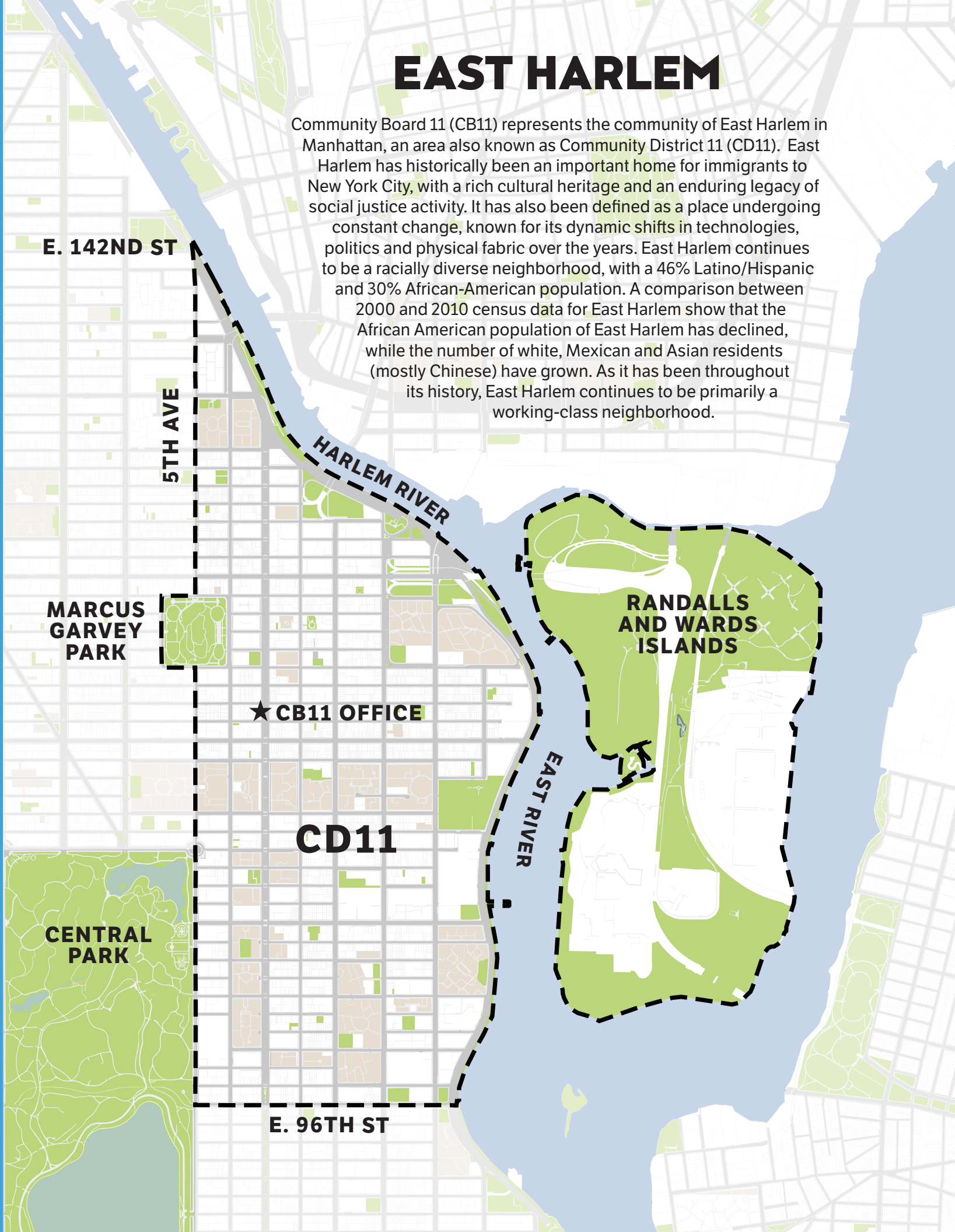
### MISSION

CB11's mission is to ensure that the concerns of each community member are heard, thoughtfully considered and well-represented. We aim to empower each stakeholder by providing the information necessary to become effective advocates for their concerns. It is incumbent upon all of us to participate in the civic processes taking place throughout our neighborhood.



## EAST HARLEM

Community Board 11 (CB11) represents the community of East Harlem in Manhattan, an area also known as Community District 11 (CD11). East Harlem has historically been an important home for immigrants to New York City, with a rich cultural heritage and an enduring legacy of social justice activity. It has also been defined as a place undergoing constant change, known for its dynamic shifts in technologies, politics and physical fabric over the years. East Harlem continues to be a racially diverse neighborhood, with a 46% Latino/Hispanic and 30% African-American population. A comparison between 2000 and 2010 census data for East Harlem show that the African American population of East Harlem has declined, while the number of white, Mexican and Asian residents (mostly Chinese) have grown. As it has been throughout its history, East Harlem continues to be primarily a working-class neighborhood.



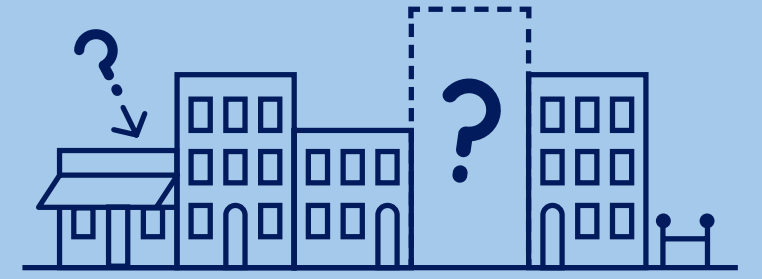


# HOW DOES CB11 WORK?



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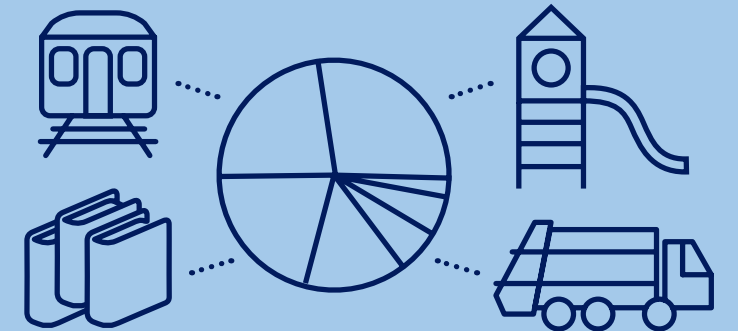
CB11 serves as a vehicle for the public to weigh in on changes to the built environment, by hosting public hearings and meetings to formulate recommendations. This allows the public to review proposed changes to City-owned, private and landmark properties and changes to zoning.



Community Board review is the first stage of the City's Uniform Land Use Review Procedure (ULURP), a process that allows the public to give input on large land-use proposals.

## BUDGET

CB11 constantly receives input from the public on needs within the district, and advocates for these needs by submitting budget priorities to the City. The final decision over what receives funding in the City's budget is made by the Mayor and City Council, with input from the Borough Presidents.



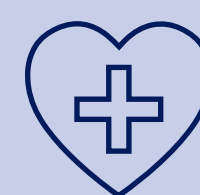
Community Boards are required to submit Capital (projects) and Expense (programs and services) budget priorities to the Mayor and City Council for consideration in the City's budget.

## SERVICE DELIVERY

The District Office handles the day-to-day processing of citizen complaints and requests for municipal services under the supervision of the District Manager. Common complaints include: potholes, trees that need pruning, missing or damaged signs, broken street lights, and missed garbage collection.



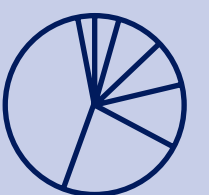
## CB11'S KEY RESPONSIBILITIES



Address the welfare of the district



Communicate with the people of the district



Participate in the City's budget and capital process



Plan for the needs of the district



Monitor and evaluate service delivery



Conduct Community Board business



### EAST HARLEM NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

The East Harlem Neighborhood Plan, a community-based vision and strategy for the future of East Harlem, was presented to the community and submitted to the NYC Department of City Planning and other City agencies in February 2017.



### DREAM CHARTER SCHOOL

DREAM Charter School mixed-use development project. Completed in 2015, this project is home to a 450 seat school serving grades K-8, a refurbished Blake Hobbs Park, and 90 units of new affordable housing.



### DISTRICT 4 BACK TO SCHOOL FESTIVAL

CB11 participates in the Annual District 4 Back to School Festival donating time and much needed school supplies to support the children of East Harlem.



### MT. MORRIS PARK FIRE WATCHTOWER

Located in Marcus Garvey Park, this Harlem landmark was fully restored in 2019 after many years of sustained advocacy by community stakeholders Mt. Morris Park Community Improvement Association, the Marcus Garvey Park Alliance, and CB11.



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# GET INVOLVED!

Resident input and feedback is critical to CB11's work and helps to craft and inform the positions of the Board. By acting as the community's eyes and ears you are helping to improve the quality of life in your neighborhood.



## CALL US

Calls provide the Community Board with important indicators of the levels of resources most needed in the district.



## SPEAK UP AT MEETINGS

Every general meeting includes time for the board to hear from the public. Just sign up at the meeting to speak for up to three minutes.



## BECOME A MEMBER

Submit an application to the Manhattan Borough President's office (MBPO). Contact the MBPO for more information.



## JOIN A COMMITTEE

Submit an application to the board chair. Attend at least one meeting before applying to learn firsthand how the committee functions.

## HOW CAN I JOIN A MEETING?

CB11's committees meet on regular fixed nights and sometimes we hold joint meetings of multiple committees. All meetings are open to the public and are posted on our website calendar.

## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Union Settlement  
Metropolitan Hospital  
Hope Community  
LSA Family Health Service  
Search & Care  
The 116th street Block Association  
Children's Aid  
East Harlem Neighborhood Health Action Center

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