

ANUAL REPORT 2018-19 Mosholu Montefiore Community Center

### **CORE VALUES**

#### INTEGRITY

We deliver the services we have promised, doing business with transparency and consistency. Our relationships with one another and with our clients are based on honesty, trust and accountability.

#### **COMMUNITY/FAMILY**

At MMCC, family and community come first. We are sensitive to all cultures and religions, to LGBTQ+ needs, to the feedback of our communities, and the families of our clients.

#### **KINDNESS/ COMPASSION**

At MMCC, we provide services with respect and compassion, recognizing that every individual is unique.

#### GROWTH

We at MMCC believe in and promote personal and professional growth, not only for our clients, but also our employees. We provide innovative opportunities and high-quality education to all.

## **HOW WE BUILD** COMMUNITIES **ONE LIFE AT A TIME**

MMCC has been a vital community resource in the Bronx for more than 77 years. In 1942, women wanting to join the war effort reached out to Jewish Philanthropies of New York for childcare funding. From those humble beginnings, MMCC has grown to serve more than 35,000 preschoolers, school-age children, teens, adults and senior citizens through more than 50 free or affordable support, enrichment, education, and recreation programs. Our committed and well-trained staff consistently guides and nurtures people of all ages – often on an individual basis and frequently when they have no other place to turn.

### MISSION

Our MISSION at MMCC is to improve the lives of Bronx and Manhattan residents through humanitarian efforts. We reach out to a rich tapestry of cultures, opening gateways to success in our quality programs and services. We help the individuals we serve build self-confidence and self-sufficiency.

### VISION

Our VISION at MMCC is to ignite new pathways of growth and expansion through our commitment to humanity, equity, and diversity. The proven methods in our services and programs help our individual clients flourish and grow.

Dear Friends.

This past year has been a whirlwind of program expansion and capital improvements. Despite the economic and political atmosphere, our mission has remained at the core – to help our community, young and old, pursue opportunities to realize their dreams as we continue to enrich lives and secure futures.

With gratitude,

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Robert M. Weiss President

### **FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO**

Now in our 77th year, we are fortunate to have such a dedicated support team that includes more than 190 full-time and 500 part-time employees, a diligent board of directors, enthusiastic volunteers, committed local and state government officials, and devoted donors and funders.

This report exemplifies how much we have accomplished! This past year we expanded our community food pantry service and have made the distribution process easy and accessible for those in need. We also focused on improving youth programs, which resulted in a 14% increase of summer campers, as well as creating OASAS – a program that provides youth with leadership opportunities, while helping them to achieve personal and common goals. Looking forward, our goals are to continue with supporting the hungry, move into supportive housing, and expand our Boys & Girls Clubs and Workforce Development programs.

Thanks to all who continue to support the MMCC movement! We are so proud of the programs and services we deliver and hope you are, too. We are looking forward to another year of continued progress, as well as new and expanded initiatives that our community truly deserves. Together, we can build communities – one life at a time.

Rita Santelia. LMSW Chief Executive Officer



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**FITORE NOVAJ** Art Specialist, Explorer Camp Fitore was an 11 year old camper at our old MMCC Sports Camp. Today, she is a teacher, who also works in our Afterschool Program. "My goal is to give our campers such a great experience to inspire them to eventually continue as staff."

ALBERT TEJADA | Lifeguard, Explorer Camp

Albert started his MMCC camper experience when

he was just 6 years old. Today at 18, Albert enjoys

bonding with the campers and takes pride in their

swimming abilities as they progress over the summer.



# MMCC **& ME** ИМСС

### **MMCC BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**Chief Executive Officer** Rita Santelia, LMSW

### **NICOLE MANNING** Native American Specialist, Mosholu Day Camp

Nicole has been a teacher at P.S. 21 for 27 years. 16 years ago she answered the call to teach reading and math at Mosholu Day Camp and brought along her two children as campers. Nicole has Cherokee blood and has been our Native American Specialist for the past 14 years!

**Board of Directors** Lawrence Benenson Andrew S. Berkman Jennifer Cuccaro David Dworin David Ehrlich **Robert Esnard** Natly Esnard\*\* Desiree Fixler Betty Griffith Jon Lefkowitz\*\* Celia Seigerman-Levit Alan Lovi Susan Memberg\*\*\* Robert Moore, III\* L. Mark Nelson Tiana Pidgeon Arline Rubel\*\*\* \*\*\*\* Arthur Rubinstein Bruce Schlechter\*\*\*\* **Beverly Hansell Silberstang** Evelyn Solomon Robert Weiss\*\*\*

### **FUNDERS**

#### MMCC – Board of Directors

**Umbrella Organizations** Boys & Girls Club of America Human Service Council UJA-Federation of New York United Neighborhood Houses of Greater NY

#### **Corporations and Foundations**

1199 Hospital Workers Union Child Care Berkshire Taconic Community Fund Best Buy Center for Children's Initiatives Charles Hayden Foundation Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) Con Edison, Inc. J.E. & Z.B. Butler Foundation Lifetime Arts Montefiore Health System Montefiore Information Technology Steven Wilson Susan and Bruce Schlechter The Hyde and Watson Foundation The Kornblau Family Foundation The Pinkerton Foundation

\* Immediate Past President \*\*Co-Chair \*\*\*Assoc. Chair \*\*\*\*In Memorium

#### **Government Agencies**

Human Services – Administration for Children and Families (ACF) NYC Department for the Aging NYC Department of Consumer Affairs NYC Department of Education NYC Department of Youth & Community Development NYC Human Resources Administration-Department of Social Services NYS Department of Children & Family Services NYS Department of Labor NYS Dormitory Authority United States Department of Health United States Federal Government Head Start and No Child Left Behind

#### Government Leaders

Assembly Member Carl E. Heastie Bronx Borough President Ruben Diaz, Jr. Congressman Eliot Engel Congressman Adriano Espaillat Council Member Andrew Cohen Council Member Mark Gjonaj Council Member Andy King Council Member Mark Levine **Council Member Ydanis Rodriguez Council Member Ritchie Torres** Council Member Ruben Diaz, Sr. Mayor Bill de Blasio NYS Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz NYS Assemblyman Michael Benedetto NYS Senator Jamal Bailev NYS Senator Alessandra Biaggi

#### MMCC is grateful to all of our funders and donors whose generous gifts make a difference in the lives of our Bronx and Manhattan residents

### **OUR SERVICE COMMUNITIES**

#### **Bovs & Girls Clubs**

- 1. MMCC Main Building
- 2. Amalgamated Houses
- 3. Co-op City
- 4. Edenwald
- 5. Parkchester
- 6. Beacon 86 Club
- 7. Baychester Club

#### Beacon Youth Centers

- 8. Beacon 8
- 9. Beacon 86
- **10.** Evander Childs Campus Beacon

#### Child Development Centers

- 1. MMCC Main Building **11.** Northside Annex
- 12. Van Cortlandt
- 13. Nora Feury C.D.C. 14. Natly Esnard C.D.C

#### **Cornerstone Youth Centers**

- 4. Edenwald
- 15. Boston Secor
- 16. Fort Independence 17. Gun Hill Houses
- 18. Marble Hill
- 19. Parkside
- 20. Pelham Parkway
- 21. Grant

#### **ISY In-School Youth**

22. Bronx Lab School

#### **Empire Afterschool**

- 23. P.S. 6
- 24. P.S. 66
- **25.** J.H.S. 144

#### **Senior Centers**

- 1. MMCC Main Building
- 16. Fort Independence
- 18. Marble Hill

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#### Afterschool Centers

1.	MMCC Main Building
7.	Baychester Club
<b>26.</b>	P.S. 7
27.	P.S. 360
28.	P.S. 175
29.	KIPP

#### **Compass/SONYC**

**30.** Bronx Community Charter School 7. Baychester Middle School, Bronx Alliance One World Middle School 31. Bronx Dance Academy 32. Equality Charter School 33. P.S. 20/M.S. 20 **34.** P.S. 21 35. P.S. 41 **36.** P.S. 94 37. P.S. 95/M.S. 95 38. P.S. 153 **39.** P.S. 160 40. M.S. 19 41. M.S. 244 **42.** J.H.S. 144

#### **Educational Counseling Center**

- 11. YAIP
- 11. College Bound
- 11. Family Choice
- **11.** Vocational Training

#### SYEP School-Based Sites

- 43. Bronx School of Law & Finance
- 44. Fordham Leadership Academy
- 45. HERO (Health, Education &
- Research Options H.S.
- 46. Marie Curie High School

#### Yachad Program

47. Pleasantville Community Synagogue



90% of all donations go directly to support **MMCC** programs & services

2,173 youth were served at our MMCC Boys & Girls Clubs

87% of graduating H.S. participants in our **College Bound** program entered college in the fall

# **MMCC FACTS**

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352 youth enrolled in the MMCC Workforce Development program



40,000 hot meals were served to seniors in our communities



413 children (ages 1-5) & their families received services in our childcare programs













# **FINANCIALS**

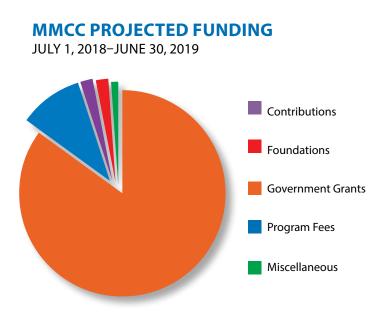
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES (2018 Audited Financial Data)

SUPPORT, REVENUE AND GAINS	2016	2017	2018
Foundations and Contributions	\$2,009,217	\$2,039,162	\$2,502,139
Government Support	\$22,304,799	\$22,836,921	\$25,294,129
Investment Income	\$12,185	\$6,931	\$2,451
Program Fees	\$1,869,565	\$2,028,245	\$1,856,832
Total Support, Revenue and Gains	\$26,195,766	\$26,911,259	\$29,487,420
EXPENSES			
Program	\$24,101,320	\$24,888,998	\$27,070,824
Management and General	\$1,528,129	\$1,651,337	\$1,307,540
Fundraising	\$165,665	\$167,733	\$127,759
Total Expenses	\$25,795,114	\$26,708,068	\$28,506,123
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$400,652	\$203,191	\$981,297

#### **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

#### ASSETS

Cash, Cash Equivalents and Investments Other Assets TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,056,580 \$6,727,164 <b>\$7,783,744</b>	\$1,373,351 \$6,521,284 <b>\$7,894,635</b>	\$1,327,123 \$5,751,471 <b>\$7,078,594</b>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS General Liabilities	\$5,077,409	\$4,985,109	\$3,019,640
Net Assets: Unrestricted Temporarily Restricted	\$2,152,953 \$553,382	\$2,314,278 \$595,248	\$3,295,575 \$763,379
Total Net Assets	\$2,706,335	\$2,909,526	\$4,058,954
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$7,783,744	\$7,894,635	\$7,078,594



#### PROJECTED REVENUES = 2019-2020

Contributions/Fundraising:	\$412,325	1.4%	
Foundations:	<b>\$520,000</b>	1.7%	
Government Funding:	\$25,547,040	87%	
Program Fees:	\$2,912,550	9.8%	
Miscellaneous Income:	\$27,400	0.1%	

Total Revenue: \$29,419,315 100%

For 3 consecutive years, each with increased services & improvements, MMCC maintained financial stability.





### **NEW & EXCITING**

52 new campers served. A 14% increase.

Received \$1million NYS grant for capital improvements.

**Expanded Food Pantry services.** 

### 65% increase in Giving Tuesday donations.

**Created Yachad, a UJA-funded** collaborative program between MMCC & Pleasantville Community Synagogue.

OASAS program reconnects youth by enhancing positive development strategies and introducing substance use prevention activities.

Major capital projects included repair & replacement of the main roof.

















### **MOSHOLU DAY CAMP**

Summer 2019 was a banner year as we increased our overall number by 50+. With day camping being our largest fee-for-service program, at the end of summer 2018 a concerted effort was made to increase revenue from camp. This was accomplished in a number of ways; more advertising, better marketing, more and innovative programming, more intensive and improved staff training.

We increased in children served, retention of part-time campers and most important, revenue. We had more visiting days, less costly trips, but well-targeted ones and improved specialty areas. We have already started our recruitment for Summer 2020 with the goal of improving on last summer's success.

#### **MOSHOLU DAY CAMP**

Located on beautiful Lake Cohasset, Mosholu Day Camp enrolls girls and boys entering grades K-6. This camp offers affordable fees and serves families from the Bronx, Manhattan, Westchester, Rockland, and Putman Counties.

#### **EXPLORER DAY CAMP**

This site, on Upper Twin Lake, serves our COMPASS and SONYC children from our DYCD-funded afterschool program and voucher campers. The facility has a large multi-purpose building, a beautiful waterfront, a huge field for archery and sports, as well as a theater and many small buildings that house a variety of camp activities.

#### **TEEN ADVENTURES**

The perfect combination of a travel camp, sports camp, arts camp and traditional sleepaway, our Teen Adventures Camp offers our oldest campers a great summer experience. Trips throughout the summer take teens to the area's best water parks and adventure venues. Teens learn horseback riding, rock climbing, canoeing, and much more from professional trainers. Teens experience sleeping under the stars during camp sleepovers, as well as an extended 3-day trip.

#### **CAMP SUNSHINE & SUNSHINE TEENS** For special needs children

Our fully mainstreamed program is designed for youngsters who demonstrate developmental disabilities and/or are limited in their social/emotional growth. We provide services to children with a range of classifications/diagnoses: Learning Disability, Speech and Language Disability, Asperger Syndrome, Pervasive Development Disorder (PDD-NOS), Autism (mild to moderate), Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Downs Syndrome and Intellectual Disability (mild to moderate).

This inclusive program is designed to address the needs of the camper by providing a small camper-to-counselor ratio. The children are integrated into the appropriate group setting and have the opportunity to participate in all camp activities. We work with parents and campers to encourage and support social and emotional goals.

Funded by Council Member Andrew Cohen





### **CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

#### **PREPARING FOR SUCCESS**

The ultimate goals of the Child Development Center (CDC) of Mosholu Montefiore Community Center (MMCC) are to: prepare children for cognitive, physical, and social-emotional success in Kindergarten and beyond; support their families in responding to their educational and developmental needs; and provide the information and services families in the community need to become self-sufficient. Success will mean that: 1) children have the foundational knowledge and skills to become lifelong learners in Kindergarten and beyond, 2) families are empowered to advocate for their children and be active partners who extend learning into the home, 3) families are self-sufficient, and, 4) staff grow professionally, feel supported and valued. We know that an ongoing commitment to learning is crucial for a successful program. We therefore emphasize and implement ongoing professional development for our staff members and support them in their professional and personal needs.

#### A CURRICULUM FOR ALL CHILDREN

To accomplish these goals, we provide children with opportunities for higher-order thinking and problem solving. This includes art, music/movement, science, math, block play, social studies, reading, writing, dramatic and physical play, and field trips. Activities are based on observing children's interests and developmental assessments, as well as health, family background/ culture, learning styles, attitudes, and abilities. Learning environment and curricula are designed to meet the developmental needs of all children, including children with special needs. Our curriculum is Creative Curriculum. We utilize Brigance to screen the children and Teaching Strategies GOLD to assess their development and progress three times a year.

#### **WE ENGAGE FAMILIES**

CDC also believes that engaging families as partners is the key to achieving our goals for our children and their families. We engage families through workshops, parentteacher conferences, volunteer and decision-making (Policy Council) opportunities, a fatherhood program, family goal setting, and community events. We extend learning from school to home by providing parents and children with meaningful home activities. As part of MMCC, CDC is also able to connect families to a wide range of additional support services, including day care, afterschool, education and employment programs for young adults/older adults, benefit screenings, senior programs, and food stamp enrollment. We are a "one stop shop" for quality community-based services for both children and families. At CDC, family comes first.



Child Development Center is NAEYC Accredited Early Learning Program









### **AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS**

#### **AFTERSCHOOL**

Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade - 1,400 elementary school children were cared for at the MMCC main building and local elementary schools. The programs meet from the end of the school day until 6pm. We keep young people safe and engaged!

Children are served through a combination of feefor-service, vouchers from the Agency for Child Development, and other funding sources. Children with special needs are welcome in the afterschool program. Admission is based on intake interviews and specific criteria.

#### **COMPASS/SONYC**

MMCC provides afterschool programming for more than 2,700 elementary and middle school children. We manage 18 sites, operating year-round with a total of \$8.7 million in funding.

Funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development

#### **EMPIRE STATE**

Funded through the state initiative, MMCC provides afterschool care for approximately 400 elementary and middle school students.

#### CORNERSTONE PROGRAMS NYC HOUSING AUTHORITY (NYCHA)

MMCC operates 8 NYCHA community centers in the Bronx and Manhattan. The program serves more than 3,000 elementary, middle, and high school students in afterschool and evening programming that provides teens with arts, sports, lounge and game rooms, fitness and weight rooms, and young adults with GED and ESL services.

*Funded by NYC Department of Youth and Community Development* 

#### **BEACON PROGRAMS**

We operate 3 Beacon Youth Centers in our community, serving more than 5,000 participants. Facilities are instrumental in keeping young people safe, as they are open Monday through Friday afternoons and evenings, as well as Saturdays. Beacon provides academic, leadership, and sports programming, as well as the MMCC College Bound Success program.

Funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development









### **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

#### A SAFE PLACE FOR TEENS

MMCC operates Boys & Girls Clubs that are free to the community. The clubs offer sports, game rooms, art, cooking, computer, homework help, performing arts, and educational classes.

MMCC Boys & Girls Club programs are committed to providing teens with a safe place to learn and grow. Teens build relationships with caring adult professionals and participate in life-enhancing programs and character-developing experiences that foster hope and opportunity. Our Boys & Girls Club program serves more than 2,700 children and teens each year.

Funded by The Charles Hayden Foundation, J.E. & Z.B. Butler Foundation, Frances & Benjamin Benenson Foundation, and Lawrence B. Benenson In 2018-2019, MMCC managed 7 Boys and Girls Clubs in the Bronx.

- AmPark Boys & Girls Club Amalgamated Houses, 130 Gale Place
- MMCC Boys & Girls Club
  3450 Dekalb Avenue
- Co-op City Boys & Girls Club 141 Einstein Loop
- Parkchester Boys & Girls Club 2051 St. Raymonds Avenue
- Edenwald Boys & Girls Club 1150 E. 229th Street
- Beacon 86 2756 Reservoir Avenue
- Baychester Club
  1220 E. 229 Street

### **B'N Fit**

For over 10 years, Bronx Nutrition & Fitness Initiative for Teens (B'N Fit) is an adolescent weightmanagement program. MMCC partners with the Children's Hospital at Montefiore (CHAM) to educate youth about healthy lifestyle choices which include nourishing food choices, cooking classes and physical activity. This program is housed at M.S. 95 located at 3961 Hillman Avenue in the Bronx.





# COLLEGE BOUND FAMILY CHOICE

#### **COLLEGE BOUND PROGRAM**

The College Bound Program helps high school students learn about college choices, narrow down programs, fill out applications, apply for financial aid, receive professional counseling, and visit colleges. Students take specialized high school entrance exams and SAT preparation classes. 1,000 students and their families are helped each year by MMCC.

Funded by a grant from Assembly Member Carl E. Heastie and NYC Department of Youth & Community Development

MMCC College Bound Success Program tracks college students attending CUNY universities, offering support and services throughout the student's college career.

Funded by The Pinkerton Foundation

#### **BRONX EDGE**

This is a collaborative program between MMCC and The Riverdale Neighborhood House to support 80 at-risk Bronx youth to achieve future success. Services include class prep for middle school youth, who are taking the Specialized High School Admissions Exam, and early college awareness. Bronx Edge will also provide a range of college awareness activities that include college trips and workshops for students and families that will guide them through the college application process.

#### **FAMILY CHOICE**

MMCC Family Choice program supports life-enhancing opportunities and counseling for the at-risk and underserved, focusing on 100 special needs students and their families by providing:

- Individual support to families with the middle and high school application process. This includes finding the appropriate setting for families and their child.
- Workshops for families, which include establishing connections and outside services, understanding their child's IEP, standardized test, and the high school selection process.
- Information to parents about student rights

#### Funded by the J.E. & Z.E Butler Foundation

### MARIE CURIE HIGH SCHOOL FOR NURSING & ALLIED MEDICAL PROFESSIONS

Now in its 10th year, our very successful school serves 8th to 12th graders. The school presently has 500 students. We continue to have a high school graduation rate of 88%.

#### Funded by NYC Department of Education

### **WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

#### LEARN & EARN IN-SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM

Assisted 56 low-income high school youth with career development and vocational training skills to help enter the workforce through career exploration, internships, and job placement.

#### TRAIN & EARN OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAM

Assisted 75 young adults who are unemployed and out-of-school, to enter the workforce. Includes a culinary training program and advanced training opportunities in CUNY schools.

#### **INTERN & EARN**

Served 135 out-of-school 17-24 year olds with counseling, job training, career development, vocational skills, and paid internships.

#### **HSE (GED) NEW OPTIONS PROGRAM**

Prepared 150 students for the TASC test to obtain their high school equivalency diploma (HSE).

#### SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (SYEP)

Enrolled approximately 2,185 youth participants (a New York City best) in more than 250 job locations throughout the Bronx and Manhattan. Participants, ages 14-21, learned about the world of work while earning minimum wage, working 20-25 hours per week for 6 weeks. MMCC Youths worked for every major hospital in the Bronx, nursing homes, police precincts, the NYS courts, NYC probation systems, various day camps/child care, and fast food locations such as Burger King, and McDonalds.

### **OPPORTUNITY YOUTH**

Provided 46 young adults, ages 18-24, who are neither enrolled in school nor employed, with a 14-week paid internship in Neighborhood Development Areas (NDA) numbers 7 and 8.

#### NDA EDUCATION SUPPORT HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Provided 23 high school students with academic intervention, social, and academic supportive services.

All programs listed above were funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development



### GETTING AHEAD

#### **CUSTOMER SERVICE TRAINING**

Provided students with free job readiness training while earning Customer Service Certification through the National Retail Federation.

#### WORK PROGRESS PROGRAM (JANUARY-JUNE)

Provides paid internships to 30 young adults, ages 18-24, with the goal of placing them in employment upon completion of the program.

Funded by NYC Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity

#### CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM

Started March 2018. Provides free CNA training at Hostos Community College for 30 young adults, ages 18-24. Includes tuition, books, supplies, uniforms and CPR certification.

Funded by NYS Department of Labor Unskilled Worker Training funding through REDC









### **COMMUNITY PROGRAMS**

#### **SENIOR CENTERS**

MMCC operates 3 senior programs for well, older adults (age 60+). These locations are MMCC's main building, Marble Hill Houses, and Fort Independence. The programs serve more than 1,300 seniors. In addition to lunch, members enjoy socialization, classes in art, drama, crafts, current events, social action, book discussion, technology, fitness, friendship clubs, and trips to fun and interesting places.

Senior centers also provide case assistance for entitlements and support services.

Funded by NYC Department for the Aging, Bronx Borough President, Ruben Diaz, City Council Member Andrew Cohen, Council Member Ydanis Rodriquez and State Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz

#### **CORNERSTONES**

Cornerstones are in NYCHA housing developments and provide the community with afterschool, teen/adult evening and Saturday programs.

#### **Bronx Locations**

Edenwald Cornerstone Boston Secor Cornerstone Marble Hill Cornerstone Gun Hill Cornerstone Fort Independence Cornerstone Parkside Cornerstone Pelham Parkway Cornerstone

#### Manhattan Location

Grant Houses

Funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development

#### **BEACON YOUTH CENTERS**

Beacons are in NYCDOE schools and provide the community with afterschool, teen/adult evening and Saturday programs.

Beacon 8 Evander Childs Campus Beacon Beacon 86

*Funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development* 

#### **HEALTHY FAMILIES**

The Healthy Families program design combines our philosophical commitment to youth development principles and an assets/strength-based approach with case management practices to help individuals and families address their needs and overcome barriers and poverty. MMCC uses the expertise of our staff and the resources of our agency and its partners to build on each client's strengths and empower them to get the benefits and services they need. In our second contract year, we served more than 350 families.

Funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development











# SPORTS & ENRICHMENT

#### **SATURDAY ACADEMY**

Saturday enrichment classes are one of MMCC's most popular programs and is always seeking new and innovative enrichment programs to add to its curriculum. There are three 8-week sessions.

Children enjoy classes that include: gymnastics, ballet, musical theatre, art, ceramics, music lessons, graphic design, computer skills, coding, healthy cooking, and sports (basketball, baseball, karate, gymnastics, soccer).

#### **TAEKWON-DO SCHOOL**

MMCC's martial arts program offered boys and girls a fun way to achieve fitness and focus, while learning self-discipline and socialization skills. Participants start out as beginners and earn belts as they progress.

#### BASEBALL

The MMCC baseball program went through some changes and prioritized learning and loving the game. This year, about 100 children, ages 4-10, had a chance to play and develop their skills, and learn about teamwork.

#### SWIMMING

Added this year through a cooperative arrangement with the Lombardi Swim Center at Fordham University, 700 children learned how to swim! Classes are held on Saturdays and Sundays, with an adult learn-to-swim class on Wednesday nights.









### **SUPPORT SERVICES**

### SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE

Our SNAP professional assists clients with the red tape associated with the food stamp program. We screened 1,927 potential clients, and 523 eligible households received SNAP

This program has been welcomed at the center by the community and seniors who cannot travel to the Human

#### ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

MMCC believes that adult education is vital to our community. Our Adult Education program focuses on continuing education and citizenship. Classes are offered in English as a Second Language (ESL), Civics to help immigrants become United States citizens, TASC/GED to provide basic education for job placement and college/vocational education, and Microsoft to assist adults with basic computer skills that will assist them with everyday tasks. MMCC's Adult Education and ESL programs

Funded by NYC Department of Youth & Community Development

#### **IMMIGRANT LEGAL SERVICES**

On Mondays from 9am-5pm, MMCC provides an attorney specializing in immigrant services to assist and guide individuals through the myriad of paperwork and processes needed by immigrants in our community.

#### **VITA/TCE VOLUNTEER TAX PREPARATION**

Individuals and families that qualify can receive NYC Free Tax Prep assistance from an IRS-certified VITA/TCE volunteer preparer. In 2018-19, we helped prepare more than 1,700 tax returns.

Funded by NYC Department of Consumer Affairs & Council Member Andrew Cohen

#### **MMCC FOOD PANTRY**

MMCC wants to make sure that people in need within our community don't go hungry. All we ask is that they bring a photo I.D. and register at our Front Desk.

Funded by City Council Member Andrew Cohen



**Arline Rubel** 1941-2018





**Bruce Schlechter** 1944-2019



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