

Chairman Mohammed Mujumder - District Manager William Rivera

# Social Services Committee Meeting Summary January 2, 2024

**Board Members Present:** Nellie Santiago-Rivera, Linda Soto, Daniel Porro, Chandra Moore, James Tynan, Sharyn Brown, MD Allauddin

### I. Introduction

A. Committee Description: The social services committee represents the community's interests with regards to social services including senior services, disability, and veterans concerns and acts as a liaison between community members and the NYC Human Resources Administration, Department of Homeless Services, Department of Aging, and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Seniors Connected Sub-Committee is under this committee.

## II. Speakers

A. Rasheta Bunting, New York Connects (Brochure attached)- NY Connects can work with anyone who needs information on long term services and support. Children or adults with disabilities, older adults, family members, and caregivers, friends or neighbors, veteran, and helping professionals. <u>www.nyconnects.ny.gov</u>

#### **B.** New Business

A. New Families with Children Shelter Opening on Watson Ave- Family shelter of 116 families with children. Opening in the Spring.

## B. February Agenda Items-

- The committee discussed having someone come to the committee to help with tax prep.
- The committee discussed reaching out to Elected Officials to inquire if they are receiving accessa-ride complaints and then drafting a letter to the Borough President's office. The committee suggested having a form created for Seniors Connected where seniors can share any complaints they have with access-a-ride.
- There will be a technology workshop at the seniors connected meeting in February.
- The committee discussed having a rep from Social Security at a meeting. CB9 office reached out and as per Social Security they have limited capacity and can only attend a limited number of meetings during work hours upon request.
- BM Daniel Porro requested having someone from MTA come to a committee meeting and give information on hearings.

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