

The “Jamaica Now” Action Plan Leadership Council

Application

The Jamaica Now Action Plan

The Jamaica Now Action Plan is the product of 9 months of planning and outreach that included over 30 meetings with community stakeholders and two large public meetings, each with more than 250 people. The Jamaica Action Plan incorporates the recommendations from key stakeholders including the Greater Jamaica Development Corporation, Regional Plan Association, and CUNY York College and sets forth action items for investments that will strengthen existing assets, support growth and address community concerns to help Jamaica thrive as an affordable and attractive destination for living, shopping and working. The plan is broken down into short- (0-3 years), medium- (3 to 5 years) and long-term (5+ years) projects.

This plan is an effort led by Deputy Mayor for Housing and Economic Development Alicia Glen and Queens Borough President Melinda Katz in partnership with Departments of City Planning, Housing Preservation and Development, Parks & Recreation, Small Business Services, Cultural Affairs, and Transportation and the New York City Economic Development Corporation.

The Leadership Council

Continued collaboration with community stakeholders is essential for making sure the plan fulfills its mission. To this end, Queens Borough President Melinda Katz has created the Jamaica Now Leadership Council consisting of a diverse group of stakeholders to monitor the plan’s implementation, provide oversight and participate in the evaluation of the action plan. The *Leadership Council* will be led by community stakeholders, with the support of City Hall, and will meet no less than 4 times per year for the life of the Action Plan.

Criteria

Eligible applicants must be 18 years or older and fit the following criteria for consideration. Each applicant must be a resident, business owner, property owner, student, community based organization, government representative, or community leader living or working in the study area. Each applicant must also have participated in at least one of the Jamaica planning initiative public meetings held at York College, **or** participated in one of the smaller outreach meetings conducted by the initiative. Interested community stakeholders are encouraged to apply by completing the attached application and returning it by Wednesday, April 29, 2015.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone#: [Home] _____ [Cell] _____

Email Address: _____ Are you at least 18yrs old ___ Yes ___ No

Affiliation with Jamaica:

- Resident: _____
- Business Owner: _____ Name of Business: _____
- Property Owner: _____ Address of Property: _____
- Civic Leader: _____ Explain: _____
- Community Based Organization: _____ Name of Organization: _____
- Faith Based Organization: _____ Name of Organization: _____
- Government Rep: _____ Agency: _____
- Student: _____ Name of Educational Institution: _____
- Other: _____

Which one of the Jamaica Planning Initiative outreach events or meetings did you attend? (*Please Describe*)

Have you participated in a neighborhood-based community development exercise before? _____ If so, please provide a short description of the effort.

What do you expect to gain from being a member of The Jamaica Now Action Plan Leadership Council?

Why should you be chosen to be a Council member? Please explain in 2-3 sentences.

With your application please include a Resume/CV or Biography. (*If you do not have either of these available feel free to write an informal biography, 2-3 paragraphs*)

Please limit attachments to two pages.

Please mail, fax, or email application and attachments to:
Queens Borough President Melinda Katz
120-55 Queens Boulevard
Kew Gardens, NY 11424

Attention: The Jamaica Now Action Plan Leadership Council, Room 220

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