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**CCRB ANNOUNCES EVENING PUBLIC BOARD MEETING
TO BE HELD IN THE BRONX ON NOVEMBER 12TH. THE NIGHT TIME MEETING UPHOLDS NEW BOARD
COMMITMENT TO ENABLE AND ENCOURAGE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) today announced that it will holding its next monthly public meeting in the evening, in the north Bronx, so that people who work or have other day time commitments can attend and comment.

The CCRB meeting will be held on November 12th from 6:30 to 9:00 PM, in the Mosholu Montefiore Community Center, 3450 DeKalb Ave., Bronx. Seating will begin at 6 PM.

The Bronx meeting location is in the 52nd precinct. From January through October 31, 2014, the CCRB received 892 police misconduct complaints from the Bronx, or 21% of the agency's total for that period. There were 64 complaints from the 52nd Precinct. The precinct with the lowest number was the 50 Pct. with 26 complaints. The 46th, 44th and 40th Precincts generated the most complaints with 103, 116 and 135 respectively.

"I am committed to holding our meetings in all the boroughs and communities we serve, not just Manhattan, so that the people we serve have a chance comment on our work and to see the Board openly discuss and debate its actions and initiatives," said Board Chair Richard Emery. Emery was appointed Chair by Mayor De Blasio on July 17th.

At the public meeting, the Board will be discussing progress on a host of new initiatives proposed by Emery and Board members to re-engineer and reform the CCRB. These include: a complaint lookup feature on the CCRB's web site so civilians and officers can check the status of complaints, NYC Copstat -- weekly up-to-date information to be available on the CCRB's web site and social media platforms on complaints throughout the City by precinct and category, an early warning system to alert the NYPD of officers with numerous complaints, planned reports on patterns of police misconduct, prioritizing complaints and conducting faster investigations, establishing locations in all the boroughs so that complainants don't have to travel to Manhattan to be interviewed by CCRB investigators, using video-conferencing technology for interviewing complainants and expanding the mediation program.

CCRB public Board meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month, and until recently were held almost exclusively in the morning at CCRB's Manhattan office.

The CCRB's first evening meeting in over ten years was held on Staten Island on September 10th. The October 8th Board meeting was held in Bedford Stuyvesant, Brooklyn.

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