



The
BronxWorks
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Newsletter



FEATURED STORY

Reflecting on Partnerships to Support Families During the Holiday Season

The winter and new year holidays always bring opportunities for partnerships to create meaningful experiences for our programs and participants. Through longtime partnerships and brand new ones, BronxWorks helped bring winter festivities to dozens of our families and youth participants. In this issue, we spotlight two events that came together through the generosity of amazing community partners.

**Family Enrichment Program
Winter Wonderland Party**



The BronxWorks Family Enrichment Program (FEP) organized a Winter Wonderland party for families and children. The program paid special attention to incorporate all winter holidays in the festivities and decorations. Nixon Peabody LLP, a longtime supporter of BronxWorks, once again conducted a holiday gift drive, donating all of the presents for children at the event. There was food and refreshments, a DJ playing holiday hits, a Frozen-themed photo booth, and best of all, a surprise visit from Santa himself. Thanks to Nixon Peabody for helping to make our participants' winter wishes come true!

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SNIPES Dream Makers at the Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center



In December, SNIPES USA selected BronxWorks as a finalist for their Holiday Dream Maker Program. The BronxWorks Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center Middle School After-School Program was awarded its wish to create a media center at the site. The center will give our program participants a space to express themselves through design and creativity, and to enjoy different aspects of digital media with their friends. SNIPES came through with a donation of tablets, furniture, a television and gaming devices. To commemorate the award, BronxWorks and SNIPES organized a digital media event where after-school participants learned to use programs like Procreate to design their own sneakers and jerseys. Thank you to SNIPES for helping to fulfill a longtime BronxWorks dream!

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STAFF PROFILE

Osayi Ikhinmwin, Systems Administrator

The motivation to contribute to the BronxWorks mission is a theme you will find throughout many of our staff profiles. You find it in the core beliefs of staff in every corner of BronxWorks. Even in non-direct service departments, staff work day in and day out to support the organization's operational needs, knowing how important our programs are for our communities.

One of the most unsung heroes of operations is the BronxWorks IT Department, a small team of problem-solvers tasked with maintaining the technology infrastructure of over 60 offices. A central figure of the IT team is Osayi Ikhinmwin.



[Read More About Osayi](#)



PHOTO ESSAY



Physique Swimming Open House at CMCC Pool

Physique Swimming offers swimming lessons for the community at the BronxWorks Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center Pool. This month, Physique held an open house inviting families to learn more about the programs available for children, youth, and adults. The BronxWorks indoor pool is a vital resource year-round for all families in the borough.

For more information on the pool, click [here](#).



BronxWorks Job Fair

BronxWorks is hiring! Representatives from programs throughout BronxWorks gathered this month for an agency Job Fair at the BronxWorks Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center at 1130 Grand Concourse. Nearly 150 people from the community showed up to learn more about working with BronxWorks.

BronxWorks is looking for candidates for different positions, including case managers, program directors, childcare workers, teachers, and safety monitors! If you want to work for a nonprofit social services agency making a real difference for the borough of the Bronx, apply today!

[Learn more about working with BronxWorks.](#)



CMCC Winter Sneaker Ball

BronxWorks hosted an end-of-year winter sneaker ball dance for middle school-age students across the Bronx. Students enjoyed music and food to celebrate the winter holidays, and all attendees received a holiday gift.



Food Pantry at 2111 Southern Blvd

BronxWorks recently added a walk-in office at Twin Parks South East, located at 2111 Southern Boulevard. In December, the walk-in office kicked off a monthly food pantry for local residents. The residents appreciated the new resource, part of BronxWorks efforts to address food insecurity throughout the borough.

ESOL Students Take Field Trip To Midtown

Students in the BronxWorks English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program participated in an end-of-year field trip to Manhattan. Students and instructors visited the New York Public Library, Rockefeller Center, and Times Square. The trip also provided a learning opportunity for all to learn more about different winter holidays.



UPCOMING EVENTS



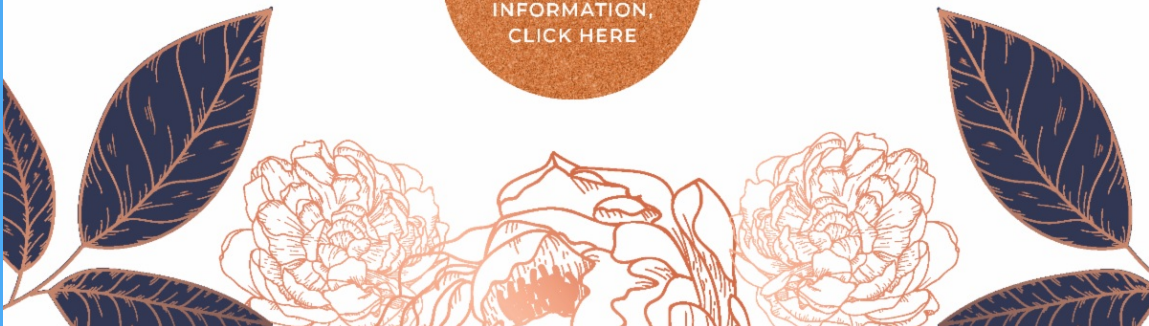
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BronxWorks Lifting Lives Gala

THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2024

NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

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Save the Date! Join us for our biggest fundraising event of the year. The **BronxWorks 2024 Lifting Lives Gala** will take place on **Thursday, May 9, 2024**, at the New York Botanical Garden.

[Learn more.](#)



The BronxWorks Leadership Council will be hosting their first-ever Pickleball Tournament on Saturday, March 16 at the Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center. Along with the tournament, BronxWorks will be collecting prom clothing donations to support our second prom clothing drive. More information on the tournament and drive coming soon!

[Learn more](#) on how you can join the BronxWorks Leadership Council and support our programs and services.



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- Donate essential goods directly to Bronx residents in need through our [wishlist](#).

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