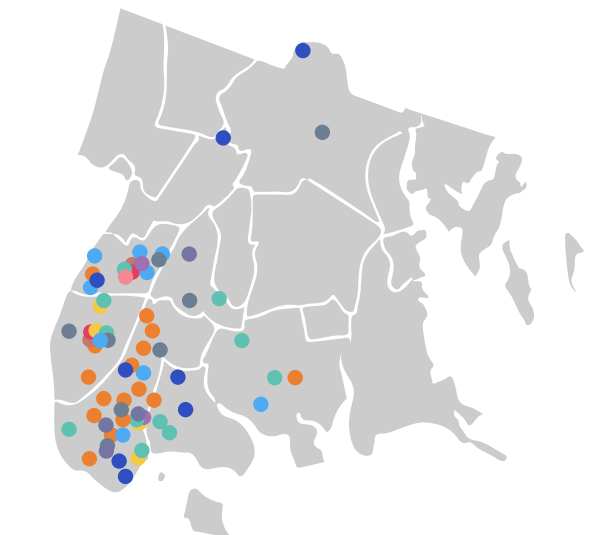




# BRONXWORKS

REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY | 2021-2022

# BRONXWORKS OFFICE LISTINGS



## CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILIES

**Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center**  
*Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters (HIPPPY) Program; After-School, Summer Camp & Teen Programs; Early Childhood Learning Center; Foster Care Prevention; Aquatics*  
1130 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(718) 508-3040

**Betances Cornerstone Community Center**  
547 E. 146th Street  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(718) 585-5040

**Classic Cornerstone Community Center**  
286 E. 156th Street  
Bronx, NY 10451  
(718) 665-1300

**Saint Mary's Park Cornerstone Community Center**  
595 Trinity Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(718) 618-7478

**Pyramid Cornerstone Community Center**  
884 Washington Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10451  
(718) 618-0224

**Early Childhood Learning Center**  
1472 Montgomery Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(347) 590-8955

**PS 130 After-School Program**  
750 Prospect Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(646) 946.8211

**Mott Haven Academy Charter School**  
170 Brown Place  
Bronx, NY 10454  
(718) 292-7015

## SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

**The Brook**  
455 E. 148th Street  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(646) 731-3400

**Cooper Gardens**  
4511 3rd Avenue, 2nd Floor  
Bronx, NY 10457

**Park Haven**  
345 St. Ann's Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10454

**HUD Scattered Site Stable Homes to Health**  
630 Jackson Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10455

**Third Avenue After-School Program**  
500 E. 165th Street  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(718) 618-0066

**Adlai Stevenson High School, YABC Program**  
1980 Lafayette Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10473  
(917) 816-3391

**Jill Chaifetz Transfer School**  
778 Forest Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(718) 402-2429

**South Bronx Prep**  
360 E. 145th Street  
Bronx, NY 10454  
(347) 391-4776

**PS 42 After-School Program**  
1537 Washington Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(347) 590-0640

**Bronxchester Houses**  
520 E. 156th Street  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(718) 640-5075

**Frederick Douglass Academy III**  
3630 Third Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(718) 508-3075

**IS 313 & IS 339 Community Schools**  
1600 Webster Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10457  
(718) 508-3185

## HOMELESS SERVICES

**Homeless Outreach Team; The Living Room Drop-In Safe Haven**  
800 Barretto Street  
Bronx, NY 10474  
(646) 393-4070

(Referrals only)  
**The Pyramid Safe Haven Jerome Ave Men's Shelter Westchester Ave Safe Haven**

**Family Residences**  
(Referrals only)  
Nelson Ave  
Jackson Ave  
Willow Ave  
BronxWorks Family Sanctuary

## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

**Development, Fiscal, HR, Training**  
60 E.Tremont Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(646) 393-4000

## INFORMATION & REFERRAL WALK-IN OFFICES

**Administration**  
60 E.Tremont Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(646) 393-4000

**Townsend Avenue**  
1477 Townsend Avenue  
(entrance on 172nd Street.)  
Bronx, NY 10452  
(718) 588-3836

**Avenue St. John**  
630 Southern Boulevard  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(929) 252-7015

**Stratford Towers**  
1340 Stratford Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10472  
(646) 457-1458

**West Farms Office**  
935 E. 179th Street  
Bronx, NY 10460  
(929) 496-7631

**Hunts Point Multi-Service Center**  
630 Jackson Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(718) 731-3114

**(Offices for residents or select residents only)**  
Thieriot Office  
700 Manida Street  
425 Grand Concourse  
720 Tiffany Street

**Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center (Health Insurance Assistance) (Walk-In Services Saturday Only)**  
1130 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(718) 508-3040

## SERVICES FOR SENIORS

**Morris Innovative Older Adult Center**  
80 E. 181st Street  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(718) 933-5300

**E. Roberts Moore Older Adult Center**  
515 Jackson Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10455  
(718) 665-5559

**East Concourse Older Adult Center**  
236 E.Tremont Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10457  
(718) 731-6301

**Carolyn McLaughlin Older Adult Center**  
1130 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(929) 502-0566

**Twin Parks West Older Adult Center**  
355 E. 183rd St.  
Bronx, NY 10458  
(646) 907-4000

**Soundview Older Adult Center**  
391 Bronx River Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10473  
(646) 988-3606

**River Park Residence NORC Senior Services Office**  
30 Richman Plaza  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(718) 299-2670

**Woodstock Terrace NORC Senior Services Office**  
890 Trinity Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(347) 269-8218

**Sedgwick Social Club**  
1553 University Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(718) 901-5014

## IMMIGRATION SERVICES

**Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center**  
1130 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(718) 508-3040

**Administration**  
60 E.Tremont Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(718) 731-3114

## COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

1130 Grand Concourse  
Bronx, NY 10456  
(917) 848-0296

151 E.Tremont Avenue  
Bronx, NY 10453  
(347) 721-9874

Dear BronxWorks Friends and Family,

During the unprecedented events of 2020, we embraced our role as a leader in times of crisis in the Bronx. Together with our community partners and participants, we withstood the most acute effects of the COVID-19 pandemic through the grit and collective determination that runs so prevalent in the DNA of this borough. With the strength from these experiences, we approached 2021 and 2022 with our eyes set on not only recovery but advancing our communities.

Even as we rebuilt and adapted our lives in the new era of COVID-19, we were tested by other tragedies. The devastating fire at the Twin Parks Housing Complex shook the very heart of the borough. In the aftermath of this crisis, we again saw that perseverance and humanity at the soul of the Bronx resurge as an outpouring of goodwill and support for the affected families. With our partners and support from New York City and State, BronxWorks led a coalition to address the needs of the families affected by the fire and other unforeseen tragedies.

In 2022, we were again tested by a crisis of thousands of migrant families arriving from the southern U.S. border. Overnight, we had to respond. As a part of New York City's strategy, BronxWorks took in hundreds of migrant families at our three Family Shelters and opened a brand-new Family Sanctuary. We have not only provided transitional shelter but are actively managing each family's case, connecting family members to vital services, helping children enroll in schools, and preparing each individual for a new life in our community.

All of this is in addition to the essential work that you have already come to expect from BronxWorks, the work that has touched the lives of over 60,000 Bronx residents. To share just a few of our accomplishments: Our pantries operated throughout 2021, providing about 933,000 pounds of food to about 5,900 households a month. Our food service operations prepared 129,947 meals to feed the most vulnerable to hunger, including children, persons with chronic health conditions, previously homeless persons, and seniors. As a part of our efforts to promote health and wellness in our communities, over 1,900 persons participated in 290 nutrition education workshops, cooking demonstrations, or healthy shopping tours. Through our services for the homeless, 197 previously homeless adults and 142 families, representing over 400 persons, were placed into permanent or supportive housing. Over 800 elementary or middle school-aged children participated in after-school or summer camp programs based in schools or community centers, while our Cornerstone Community Centers engaged over 1,400 young people in a variety of academic enrichment. In 2021, our income tax preparation assistance program processed 6,501 returns that led to \$8,092,293 worth of refunds, and helped 1,259 filers secure Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) payments that totaled \$1,957,631.

In this issue of the BronxWorks Report to the Community, you will follow our work across 2021 and into 2022, as we address new hardships and recommit our efforts to reforming persistent challenges in the Bronx. This work is made possible by the leadership of our Board of Directors, our invaluable community partnerships, as well as the support we receive from foundations, corporate partners, and thousands of individual donors.

Thank you for reading this issue of our Report the Community.

Eileen Torres  
Executive Director

Roger Begelman  
Board Chair

# PROGRAMS RETURNING TO IN-PERSON OR HYBRID SCHEDULES

We have learned a lot throughout our experience during the COVID-19 pandemic and through all the hardships that have occurred over these past two years. As we all grew to better understand the challenges imposed by the virus and as we worked together to restore our economy, we have become more nimble, resilient, and better-prepared to withstand unforeseen adversity.

## AFTER-SCHOOL AND SUMMER CAMP

Every school year and summer, BronxWorks Children & Youth programs provide vital education support and childcare services to thousands of Bronx students. Our families rely on the high-quality programming to enhance our students' experience in school and childcare services to support working parents. Families and children alike were thrilled that BronxWorks Children & Youth programs resumed in-person during the 2021 summer and school year.

### Cooking Classes

As part of the BronxWorks Summer Rising program, students took some cooking classes with BronxWorks Nutrition Educators. Middle school students learned how to make chicken wraps and guacamole, how to slice vegetables, measure ingredients, properly clean cooking utensils, and learned the importance of nutritionally balanced meals.



**BronxWorks Community School Programs** engaged **928** students across four schools and worked with their parents and families to improve student attendance and create healthy learning environments within the household

## EVENTS AND TRIPS

One piece of Children & Youth programming that we were most excited to resume was organizing events and field trips. Celebrating our stories, our cultures, and our successes is an important part of creating community, and had been sorely missed by our staff and our participants.



### BronxWorks Summer Camps Visit Legoland New York

As the culminating trip for BronxWorks summer camp, students from our Third Ave., Bronxchester, and PS 42 programs went to Legoland New York for a day of fun! Together they enjoyed rides and some amazing LEGO statues. It was an unforgettable experience for students and camp counselors alike!



### Cornerstone Students Visit Slime Museum

Youth participants from BronxWorks Cornerstone Community Centers visited the Sloomoo Institute's Slime Museum in Manhattan. Children were able to interact together with all of the slime exhibits the museum has to offer, including customizing their own handcrafted slime with a seemingly endless variety of colors, smells, and textures.



### BronxWorks Early Childhood Learning Centers and HIPPY Program Graduation

BronxWorks Early Childhood Learning Centers (ECLC) and the Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters program (HIPPY) each held their moving-up ceremonies. Our youngest participants were given diplomas recognizing their work as they prepared for kindergarten in the fall, while parents in our HIPPY program were also recognized for their dedication to learning new tools to be able to continue the learning process at home while their children go through the early education years.



**BronxWorks Cornerstone Community Centers** based in or near NYCHA complexes provided academic enrichment and safe recreation spaces for over

**1,400**


of our young community members



Over **120** high school seniors enrolled in BronxWorks programs like our **Center for Achieving Future Education (CAFE)** were accepted into at least one college



**BronxWorks Early Learning Programs** enrolled over **250** pre-school children



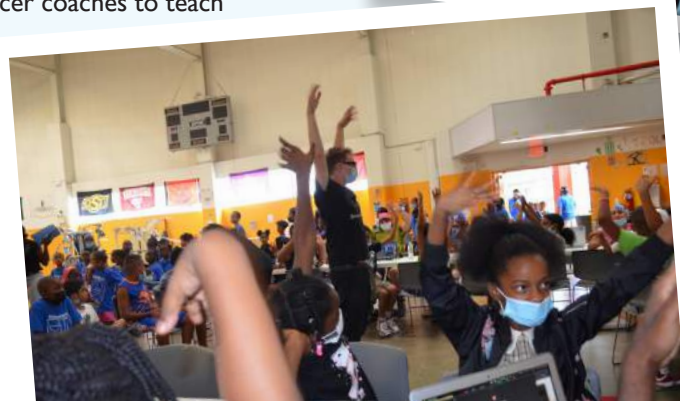
Over **800** elementary and middle school students participated in **BronxWorks after-school programs and summer camps**



## Cornerstone Culture Day

The Summer 2021 theme at our Classic Cornerstone Community Center was Cultural Diversity & Sensitivity. All summer long, students formed groups to share about their own cultures and explore the multitude of cultures that are found throughout the United States.

The activities culminated in a Culture Day showcase, demonstrating what students learned about the cultures over the summer. Kindergarten and 1st grade represented the United States, 2nd grade represented Mexico, 3rd grade represented China, 4th grade represented the Dominican Republic, and 5th grade represented Africa, with a focus on Ghana. The students also learned different dances having to do with the different areas they covered.



## BronxWorks and Verizon Team Up to Provide STEM Programming

In the Fall of 2020, BronxWorks embarked on a two-year partnership with Verizon to implement a Digital Inclusion and STEM Enrichment Program for children enrolled in BronxWorks after-school and summer programs. Verizon committed \$325,000 over two years to provide resources necessary for students to engage in remote learning and to enhance STEM lessons, activities, and opportunities. The grant culminated in a STEM Expo on July 28, 2022. BronxWorks hosted a day of hands-on STEM activities for hundreds of elementary and middle school-aged children in our summer educational programs. The Expo was held at the BronxWorks Classic Cornerstone Community Center. STEM activities included sound engineering, building their own stethoscopes, and building earthquake resistant buildings out of toothpicks.

BronxWorks South Bronx Preparatory Middle School Summer Camp teamed up with the New York City Football Club (NYCFC) to put together a Robo-Soccer clinic. Participants received their own robotic kit to build a unique robot to drive through an obstacle course. They also learned to write code and use a coding program. NYCFC has also partnered with BronxWorks to send their soccer coaches to teach soccer drills to student participants.



## Workforce Development Job Fairs

BronxWorks Workforce Development Department (WFD) held a number of job fairs throughout 2021 and 2022 to share employment opportunities, both within BronxWorks and our partner organizations, with our neighbors as we worked to recover from the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) Returns in a Big Way

In the Summer of 2021, we were thrilled to once again offer our highly popular Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). After a limited Summer 2020 season, BronxWorks SYEP enrolled over 1,100 participants in 2021, placing them across nearly 80 worksites both within BronxWorks and at partner organizations. Older youth participants ages 16-24 were assigned to worksites, including BronxWorks programs, and local businesses & organizations, such as New York Urban League, Summatime Studios, Ashley Stewart, and Eddington Security. Younger youth ages 14-15 were placed in project-based learning groups of 25-40 participants. The groups decided on a theme, such as civic advocacy, social justice, or environmental issues and developed projects throughout the summer, giving young people an opportunity to learn, create, and express themselves on topics that they choose and are passionate about.



## Positive Living Kiki Ball

BronxWorks hosted a Kiki Ball competition event in partnership with Montefiore, Destination Tomorrow, Argus, and NYC Health & Hospitals/ Jacobi at the BronxWorks Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center at 1130 Grand Concourse. Contestants were tasked with creating a routine themed around chemistry. Ballroom competitions have long been a part of LGBTQ+ culture and the event was a great way to celebrate Pride Month. BronxWorks Positive Living Department also provided free HIV testing on site.

# PROGRAMS UPDATES

Every year, our ability to reach people and provide high-quality programs is a pillar of strength for the Bronx. Never has that foundation been more essential than in these unprecedented years. In the years 2021 and 2022, we made some crucial expansions that strengthened our ability feed, shelter, teach, and support the communities of the Bronx.

## Park Haven Supportive Housing

In 2022, BronxWorks opened the Park Haven Supportive Housing Program. The program is based within a brand new ten-story, 180,000-square foot affordable housing building with studios, one, two, and three-bedroom units. All units are available for families and individuals with incomes up to 80% of the Area Median Income, and they include access to amenities such as a wellness center, resident lounge, children's play area, and on-site laundry. Fifty of the units have been designated as permanent housing for chronically homeless families and individuals. BronxWorks is providing on-site services to residents, funded through an Empire State Supportive Housing Initiative (ESSHI) grant awarded by the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA). Additionally, 7,000 square feet of the ground floor at Park Haven is the new office space for BronxWorks Workforce Development programs.



## BronxWorks Added Three New Older Adult Centers

The BronxWorks Services for Older Adults Department added three new centers offering an array of services for older adults, bringing the total to seven centers altogether. The centers offer food pantry services, daily meals, arts and crafts, fitness classes, and more. The Morris, Heights, East Concourse, and E. Roberts Moore Senior Centers were joined by new centers at the Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center, Soundview Senior Housing, and Twin Parks West Housing Complex.



## Youth Workforce Programs Consolidated Under Workforce Development Department

In 2021, BronxWorks Youth Workforce services were shifted under the Workforce Development Department. The collection of programs provides both school and community-based job-readiness training and education programming focused on youth and young adults. Programs include the EXCEL Program for youth ages 16-24 to explore a variety of employment options and prepare them for the world of work through resume building workshops, interview practice, computer skills training, and financial literacy, as well as high school equivalency and GED preparation classes. The Neighborhood Development Area (NDA) Opportunity Youth Program works with youth ages 16-24 who are out of school and unemployed that reside in NDA 4 or 5. The program shepherds participants through a course of work readiness trainings, counseling, and a paid 14-week internship.

BronxWorks WFD also now manages the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). SYEP connects over 1,300 New York City youth ages 14-24 with career exploration and a six-week paid work experience every summer. Each year leading up to the summer, WFD prepares by hiring 50 seasonal staff to oversee and manage the placements of the 1,300 participants at hundreds of different work sites and partner organizations throughout the Bronx. The entire department comes together to help with the hiring logistics. The subsequent Work, Learn, & Grow Employment Program (WLG) builds off of the work experiences gained through SYEP and provides participants with follow-up career readiness training and paid employment opportunities for up to 25 weeks during the school year from October to March.



## BronxWorks Adult Protective Services Program Helps Vulnerable Adult Live Independently

In 2021, BronxWorks added an Adult Protective Services (APS) Program funded through the NYC Human Resources Administration (HRA). The objective of the program is to provide protective services to vulnerable adults and put structures in place to assist them to live independently.

APS accepts referrals through NYC HRA. Eligible clients must be 18 years or older; have a physical or mental impairment, are unable to manage activities of daily living or protect themselves from neglect or hazardous conditions, and have no one willing or able to assist them responsibly. Upon receiving a referral, APS will conduct a home visit, assessing the client's needs, developing a service plan, and assigning the client to a Case Manager. APS will provide ongoing case management services, advocacy, financial management assistance, and connection to resources to stabilize a client's situation and provide a framework for independence.

BronxWorks APS Team has a total of 17 Case Managers and is able to accept over 500 cases annually.



### NEW Access to Benefits/Walk-in Offices

935 East 179th Street

700 Manida Street

425 Grand Concourse

720 Tiffany Street

# BRONXWORKS RESPONDS

In 2021 and 2022, BronxWorks was increasingly called to provide emergency response to the communities of the Bronx. Not only did we address the persistent effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, but assisted families affected by devastating fires and provided emergency shelter and support for newly arrived families seeking asylum.



In partnership with New York State Governors Office and SOMOS Community Care, BronxWorks Vaccine Clinics helped over

**5,000**

neighborhood residents receive COVID vaccinations.

## BronxWorks Provides Vaccine Clinics and Education for the Bronx Community

BronxWorks COVID Vaccine Equity Program provided COVID-19 vaccination information and raised awareness for the safety and benefits from receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. The program helped NYC residents locate the nearest vaccination site, schedule an appointment, and complete the New York State vaccine form. Services were provided with language assistance in English, Spanish, Bengali, or French.



## BronxWorks Opens a New Family Sanctuary to Support Migrant Families Seeking Asylum

As a part of the New York City strategy to assist migrant families arriving from border states, BronxWorks opened a new Family Sanctuary in 2022 to provide shelter for up to 90 migrant families, many of whom came to the United States to seek asylum. Additionally, three other BronxWorks Family Shelters housed a number of migrant families that had arrived earlier in the year.

Opening the Sanctuary in short order took a large collective effort led by BronxWorks Family Shelter staff and supported by volunteers from programs throughout the organization to ensure that the site was ready to welcome the families and adequately equipped to meet all of their basic needs.

Many of the families arrived with minimal belongings, and many also had very young children. The families will continue to work with case managers and shelter staff to adjust to life in the United States and in the Bronx, including assistance with their legal status, finding employment, and ultimately securing permanent housing.



## BronxWorks Provides Emergency Rental Assistance to Address Evictions

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) was an emergency rental assistance fund open to New Yorkers who were financially impacted by COVID-19. Eligible tenants could receive up to 12 months of rental and utility arrears dating from March 13, 2020 forward and, in some cases, up to three months of future rental assistance as well. As the lead organization for the Bronx Rental Assistance Network, BronxWorks led a collaboration that enabled over 7,600 low-income Bronx households with about 19,000 persons to receive over \$87.3 million in rent arrears help via ERAP. BronxWorks was the lead organization administering the program until it ended in 2022.

## BronxWorks Adult Homeless Services Department Makes Permanent Housing Placements

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, the BronxWorks Adult Homeless Services Department never stopped working tirelessly to provide transitional housing to hundreds of individuals experiencing homelessness. Despite the significant challenges stemming from the pandemic, BronxWorks AHS made 197 successful housing placements in 2021 across six different programs that included the Jerome Avenue Mens Shelter (JAMS), three safe havens, the Living Room Drop-in Center, and the borough-wide Homeless Outreach Team.

The BronxWorks Jerome Avenue Men's Shelter (JAMS) is a 200-bed behavioral health shelter that provides transitional housing to adult homeless men with mental illness and, oftentimes, co-occurring substance use disorder. It is a key resource in the effort to address homelessness in New York City. Over the course of 2021, JAMS completed 82 housing placements, over 40% of the program's census.

The key to successful housing placements is a client-centered, Housing First approach. BronxWorks believes that stable housing is a basic human need, and that providing permanent housing and thereby resolving a client's homelessness can serve as a platform from which they can pursue their goals and improve their quality of life.



## Every Tax Season BronxWorks Workforce Development Department Offers Free Income Tax Services for New York City Residents

BronxWorks Workforce Development Department offers a free income tax service for New York City residents through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program (VITA). The program helps qualifying individuals with annual income below \$50,000 and households with an annual income below \$72,000 secure Earned Income Tax Credits (EITC).

In 2021, BronxWorks WFD processed

**6,501**

income tax returns leading to

**\$8,092,293**

worth of refunds.

## BronxWorks Provides Case Management and Emergency Support for Families Affected by Devastating Fires

In response to the unprecedented January 2022 fire at the Twin Park North West housing complex, BronxWorks was selected to lead a coalition to provide emergency support and case management for the affected families. A second grant through New York State enabled our staff to work with the families to purchase furniture as they moved into new residences. Through funds provided by the Mayor's Fund, BronxWorks distributed a one-time direct emergency cash assistance payment to each household affected by the fire.

Throughout the year, BronxWorks provided case management services to help the families rebuild and connect with other supportive programs, including job training and placement, financial counseling, ESOL, and immigration services. Within the coalition, we partnered with other organizations who provided emergency housing and relocation assistance. Our staff continued to engage



families to provide support as needed, including the provision of rental assistance, moving and storage fees, cleaning services, travel expenses to and from medical and mental health services, among other unforeseen costs.

In the weeks and months following the fire, BronxWorks worked closely with invaluable community partners and businesses to help shepherd an outpouring of donations directly to the affected families. Our staff set up a

special distribution event where families received essential items such as toiletries, clothing, cleaning products and household goods, durable foods and kitchen staples, and gift cards.

Tragedies like the Twin Parks fire further exhibit BronxWorks ability to mobilize, act, and deploy resources to provide direct assistance and meet developing community needs.

# BRONXWORKS COMMITTED TO ADDRESSING THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS OF BRONX COMMUNITIES

For many years, BronxWorks has committed resources to improving the health outcomes for the communities of the Bronx. This work has taken on increased importance since the COVID-19 pandemic, which reinforced the need for programs that teach healthy behaviors and personal wellness. Currently, the economic effects of the pandemic continue to highlight the importance of access to healthy foods and resources. BronxWorks Community Health Programs, SNAP Nutrition Education Program, and Community Farm Stands rose to meet this need, providing essential access to education and resources to our communities.

## BronxWorks Opens Brand New Saturday Programming for Adult Education and Family Wellness

In 2022, BronxWorks embarked on a new initiative to provide programming on Saturdays at the Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center. The programming is specifically designed to engage adult learners, parents, and in particular, mothers from our community who may be unable to attend traditional programs during the work week. As a collaboration between BronxWorks Workforce Development Department, Community Health Programs, and Children and Youth Department, the Saturday Programming features Adult Basic Education and GED prep classes, Maternal Self-Care and Infant Health workshops, free on-site childcare, and onsite meals for all participants.



## BronxWorks SNAP-Ed Provides Nutrition Education to Bronx Communities

One of the biggest additions in recent years to BronxWorks efforts to improve community health outcomes in the Bronx is BronxWorks SNAP Nutrition Education & Obesity Prevention program. Funded through the New York State Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance (OTDA), the program seeks to promote health and prevent or postpone the onset of diet-related diseases among the SNAP population of the Bronx through providing nutrition education and obesity prevention services. SNAP-Educators develop a curriculum that targets school-age children, adult caregivers with children, and older adults ages 60 and up. The objectives are to promote consumption of nutrient-dense and low-fat foods, decrease consumption of low-nutrient sugar-sweetened foods and beverages, increase physical activity, improve food resource management and preparation skills, and increase access to affordable and nutritious food options.



## BronxWorks Farm Stands Sell Fresh Produce at Affordable Prices

Every year from July to November, BronxWorks operates two farm stands: the Community Farm Stand on Thursdays at the Carolyn McLaughlin Community Center and the Mott Haven Farm Stand on Wednesdays outside Belvis Hospital. Both farm stands have become yearly institutions in our communities, providing access to fresh and locally produced fruits and vegetables at affordable prices. BronxWorks Community Health and SNAP-Ed staff are on-site at every farm stand to provide cooking recipes and demonstrations as well as conducting nutrition classes.

The farm stands have become particularly important in recent years due to increased cost of living, persisting unemployment rates, and inflation. Many of the households in our communities have struggled with access to food, particularly fresh produce, as a result. Committed to our effort to increase access to healthy and nutritious foods, the BronxWorks farm stands kept their prices at the same affordable level for two years.



## Community Activism: #JustPay Rally

BronxWorks staff from across the agency participated in a rally to support the #JustPay campaign. Just Pay aims to end chronically low wages for human services workers across the state.

The New York State human services workforce is over 800,000 strong. Most of the workforce in the human services sector earn under 71% of what government employees earn and 82% of what private sector workers earn for the same role.

Thousands of nonprofit human services workers from organizations across the five boroughs filled Park Row outside City Hall, calling on the mayor and city council to put into law fair pay and contracts for human services organizations.



Over **1,900** persons participated in 290 nutrition education workshops, cooking demonstrations, or healthy shopping tours in 2021



Provided **129,947** meals to individuals most vulnerable to hunger, including children, persons with chronic health conditions, previously homeless persons, and seniors



In 2021, BronxWorks operated as many as nine food pantries, providing about **933,000** pounds of food to about 5,900 households a month

Essential Workers Parade

When New York City hosted a ticker-tape parade down the Canyon of Heroes in Manhattan for all essential workers to celebrate the incredible work done throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, staff from BronxWorks Benefits Access & Assistance Department were in attendance. There has been no greater event in recent history to highlight the importance of our city's essential workers than the COVID-19 pandemic. Like all essential workers during the pandemic, BronxWorks staff continued to come into the office every day to provide the crucial services on which our communities have come to rely. BronxWorks is proud of our dedicated staff who, despite the challenges, have exemplified our mission to feed, shelter, teach, and support our neighbors to build a stronger community.

AIDS Walk New York

The AIDS Walk New York is the world's largest HIV/AIDS fundraising event. It started in 1986 and has continued to grow through the passion of diverse New York City communities, activities, and organizations that were touched by the early waves of the HIV epidemic and its persistent effects through the decades. BronxWorks has a history of supporting the AIDS Walk New York over many years. Our staff have participated as both the Citizens Advice Bureau and as BronxWorks.

The 2022 AIDS Walk New York took place on Sunday, May 15. Staff from BronxWorks Positive Living and the BronxWorks LGBTQ+ Committee were proud to continue the tradition of supporting the event along with colleagues from all corners of the organization and participants as well. Leading up to the AIDS Walk, our staff helped to raise awareness and funding in support of Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC), the world's first HIV/AIDS service organization working to end the AIDS epidemic and uplift the lives of all affected.

BronxWorks was one of the first Bronx-based HIV and AIDS service providers in the 1980s

and is proud to participate in the AIDS Walk to support our collective efforts in education and prevention.



CAB participating in AIDS Walk in 2005



BRONXWORKS 2021 GALA GOES VIRTUAL

For the first time, the BronxWorks annual event was held in a completely virtual format in 2021. After a hiatus in 2020, the 2021 Building Better Futures Gala honored our long-standing partner, USI, and BronxWorks staff, whose extraordinary work helped the communities of the Bronx withstand and recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The program was hosted by our Mistress of Ceremonies, Marysol Castro, a broadcast journalist, PIX 11 Morning Show Features Anchor, PIX 11 Sports Nation Anchor, and Citi Field Public Address Announcer, the first Latina Voice of the Mets. The feature program was pre-recorded and produced as a collaboration between the BronxWorks Development Department and the BronxNet production team. Attended by hundreds of individuals on May 19 from all over the country, the Building Better Futures Gala raised money to support important BronxWorks services that helped the communities of the Bronx rebuild from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Gala program was preceded by an exclusive VIP conversation with MLB legends Mookie Wilson and Willie Randolph, hosted by PIX 11 and CBS Sports Journalist Justin Walters. Mookie and Willie shared with our audience their thoughts on the current state of baseball, memories from their days playing in the MLB, and fielded questions from viewers. They also gave us an inside perspective on life in a New York City ball club and as young men chasing their dreams of sports excellence. The audience was filled with Mets and New York City sports fans, and showed their enthusiasm in chat during the event.

Immediately following the Gala was a special interview with Julia Quinn, author of the Bridgerton novels, which has become a hit television series. The interview was hosted by WNYW Fox 5 Entertainment Reporter Ryan Kristafer. Julia spoke to us about her journey becoming a bestselling author, shared a day-in-the-life perspective with our audience, and gave behind-the-scenes insight into the book-to-screen process. We were thrilled to have such amazing guests join and support the Building Better Futures Gala and allow us to provide such fascinating VIP experiences.

The BronxWorks Building Better Futures Gala was supported by countless sponsors, partners, individual donors, and colleagues. We would like to extend heartfelt gratitude to everyone who helped make the 2021 Building Better Futures Gala a remarkable success! Thanks to the BronxWorks Board of Directors, Platinum Sponsors USI and Turner Construction Company, Gold Sponsors Gilbane and JP Morgan Chase & Co, and all of our sponsors and individual donors who helped us honor the BronxWorks staff and our work with an outpouring of support.



THE BRONXWORKS 2022 ANNUAL EVENT RETURNS IN-PERSON AT THE BRONX ZOO

As our programs and events began to return in-person, so did our Annual Event with the BronxWorks 2022 Evening Reception at the Bronx Zoo. This year, we honored an amazing group of women leaders who have made unique contributions to Bronx. The BronxWorks 2022 Evening Reception took place on a beautiful June evening at the Bronx Zoo. Our guests enjoyed a cocktail hour in front of the Sea Lion Pool followed by dinner and drinks at the Schiff Family Great Hall.

Our Honorees for the evening included: Teresa Gonzalez from DalyGonzalez and

Bolton-St. Johns for her advocacy on behalf of nonprofits and social issues affecting our communities; Annie Tirschwell and Jill Crawford from Type A Projects for their commitment to affordable housing development and revitalizing neighborhoods in the Bronx; Dr. Lidia Virgil and SOMOS Community Care for their partnership and response to the COVID-19 pandemic in our communities.

Our Host and Special Ambassador was Vladimir Duthiers, a CBS News National Correspondent based in New York, and part of the team delivering the first look at the day's top stories for CBS Mornings. Our video program was pre-recorded and produced as a collaboration between the BronxWorks and BronxNet. It featured



stories from three BronxWorks participants, Destiny, Balima, and Frederick, who worked to overcome significant life challenges to build a better future for themselves, their families, and their communities. The video also aired online at the same time to an audience tuning in virtually.

The BronxWorks 2022 Evening Reception at the Bronx Zoo was supported by hundreds of individuals and partners who purchased sponsorships, tickets, made donations, or bid on our silent auction. The proceeds from the event supported the critical work that BronxWorks does each and every day to help the communities of the Bronx recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and rebuild stronger than before.

# FINANCIALS

BronxWorks, Inc. | Consolidated Statement of Accounts  
Unrestricted Net Assets from Operations | Year Ended June 30, 2021 and 2022

## FISCAL YEAR 2021

Earned Revenue	
Government grants	\$90,993,348
Program service fees	\$1,339,451
Medicaid	\$1,275,407
Investment income	\$542,957
Other revenues	\$392,294
Total Earned Revenue	\$94,543,457

Public Support	
Foundation grants and other contributions	\$1,988,307
Contributed services	\$111,341
Net assets released from restrictions	\$3,120,863
Total Public Support	\$4,651,511

## 2021 OPERATING EXPENSES

Program Services	
BronxWorks programs	\$5,211,740
Services for the elderly	\$2,315,877
Homelessness/prevention/relocation	\$31,691,547
Homeless Shelters	\$25,416,232
Health programs	\$3,067,459
Children and youth	\$9,101,003
Workforce development	\$3,209,325
Total Program Services	\$88,543,352

Supporting Services	
Management and general	\$9,488,981
Fundraising	\$824,339
Total Supporting Services	\$9,795,350

TOTAL  
OPERATING  
SUPPORT AND  
REVENUE  
\$99,763,968

## NET ASSETS

### FY 2021

Beginning of year:  
\$15,111,775  
End of year:  
\$16,019,071  
Change in net assets:  
\$907,296

TOTAL  
OPERATING  
EXPENSES  
\$98,856,672

## FISCAL YEAR 2022

Earned Revenue	
Government grants	\$98,582,311
Program service fees	\$1,404,636
Medicaid	\$934,902
Investment income	\$1,048,012
Other revenues	\$1,392,435
Total Earned Revenue	\$106,204,272

Public Support	
Foundation grants and other contributions	\$1,570,599
Contributed services	\$281,652
Net assets released from restrictions	\$2,583,968
Total Public Support	\$4,080,723

## 2022 OPERATING EXPENSES

Program Services	
BronxWorks programs	\$7,752,617
Services for the elderly	\$2,758,208
Homelessness/prevention/relocation	\$35,146,347
Homeless Shelters	\$21,869,514
Health programs	\$2,734,348
Children and youth	\$11,042,714
Workforce development	\$3,314,678
Total Program Services	\$91,928,470

Supporting Services	
Management and general	\$12,439,546
Fundraising	\$716,481
Total Supporting Services	\$12,703,784

TOTAL  
OPERATING  
SUPPORT AND  
REVENUE  
\$110,640,491

## NET ASSETS


### FY 2022

Beginning of year:  
\$16,019,071  
End of year:  
\$21,575,065  
Change in net assets:  
\$5,555,994


TOTAL  
OPERATING  
EXPENSES  
\$105,084,497

# SENIOR LEADERSHIP


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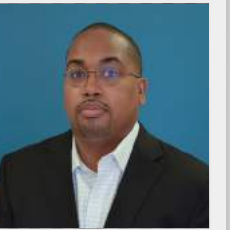
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