



# Brooklyn Community Board 14

Serving the Community of Flatbush, Midwood & Parts of Kensington

## JANUARY 2025 MEETINGS

Join Brooklyn Community Board 14's meetings in January 2025! Check out the [January meeting calendar and agendas](#) and register to participate. All meetings are archived and available on the [CB14 YouTube channel](#). For updates, assistance, and resources visit the [CB14 website](#).

### PUBLIC HEARINGS ON OCM AND BSA APPLICATIONS

Wednesday, January 8, 2025 • 6:30 PM

[810 East 16th Street, Brooklyn](#)

The Board will hold public hearings on two matters: a retail cannabis dispensary application for 815 Flatbush Avenue and a variance application for 2470 Bedford Avenue. The variance application seeks an extension of the term for automotive repair use and other requests. [More information and registration](#).

### JANUARY 2025 MONTHLY BOARD MEETING

Monday, January 13, 2025 • 7:00 PM

[1625 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn](#)

The meeting will be in person and broadcast live [on YouTube](#). [More information and the agenda can be found on our website](#). If you would like to make an announcement of civic interest during the public session, please [pre-register here](#) by 3 PM on the day of the meeting or in person upon arrival. Registered speakers will receive up to three minutes to make their announcement.

### TRANSITION COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, January 16, 2025 • 6:30 PM

Online via Webex

Legacy board members will share institutional knowledge and the committee will review the composition of the Community Board and Community District. [More information and registration](#).

### HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 • 6:30 PM

Online via Webex

The committee will host a presentation by the Street Homeless Advocacy Project on its efforts to address street homelessness. One Brooklyn Health will present on budget cuts at Brookdale Hospital and their impact on community care. [More information and registration](#).

### YOUTH SERVICES, EDUCATION AND LIBRARIES COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, January 30, 2025 • 6:30 PM

Online via Webex

The committee will hear from Housing Works about its programs for youth and from Pure Legacee about its initiatives. The session will also include planning for the 2025 Youth Conference. [More information and registration](#).

Please email [info@cb14brooklyn.com](mailto:info@cb14brooklyn.com) or call 718-859-6357 for any questions or assistance.

## Community Updates, Events, and Opportunities

Find more [community events](#) and [resources](#) at [cb14brooklyn.com](http://cb14brooklyn.com)

### SAVE THE DATE!

#### CB14'S YOUTH CONFERENCE 2025

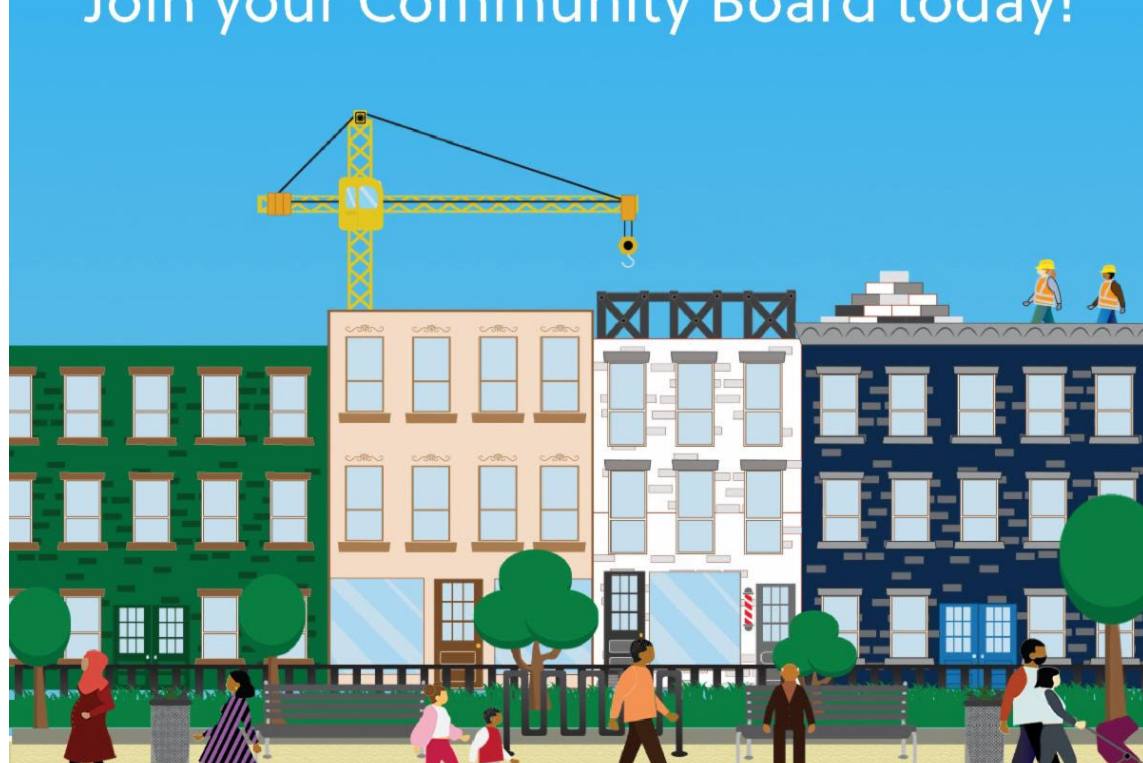
CB14 and the Flatbush YMCA are excited to announce that our annual Youth Conference will be held on March 12, 2025 from 4-7PM at the Flatbush YMCA. Find more information and sign up for updates on the [Youth Conference's website](#).



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Want a Brooklyn for all? Be heard.

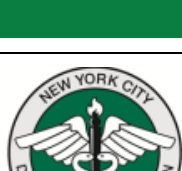
Join your Community Board today!



Your community. Your neighborhood. Your Brooklyn.

Apply by February 14, 2025. NYC residents 16 years and up are eligible.

[brooklynbp.nyc.gov/community-boards/](https://brooklynbp.nyc.gov/community-boards/)



## sanitation

### NEW TRASH CONTAINERIZATION ENFORCEMENT

#### STARTS JANUARY 2025

Starting January 2, 2025, properties with 1–9 units must use bins (55 gallons or less) with secure lids for trash set out. Non-compliance will result in fines. Learn more at upcoming DSNY info sessions—visit [DSNY's website](#) for details.

### SANITATION COLLECTION CHANGES FOR

#### NEW YEAR'S DAY, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025

The New York City Department of Sanitation announced that in observance of New Year's Day, Wednesday, January 1, 2025, there will be NO trash, curbside composting nor recycling collection on the holiday.

- Residents who normally receive **Wednesday trash, curbside composting, or recycling** collection may place their material at the curb **Wednesday evening**, for collection beginning **Thursday, January 2**.

Residents should expect collection delays, as is common after holidays. Your patience is appreciated.

Visit [nyc.gov/dsny](http://nyc.gov/dsny) or call 311 for Sanitation services and holiday schedules.

### CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION

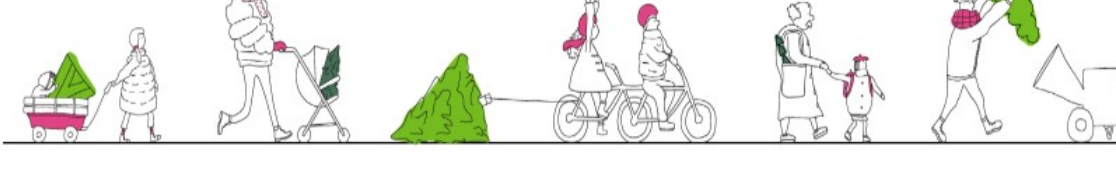
Thanks to the expansion of curbside composting collection, all residents of Brooklyn can simply place their **Christmas tree and natural wreaths** out, with their food scraps and yard waste, for collection on their regularly scheduled compost and recycling day. After collection, the Christmas trees and wreaths will be turned in to finished compost or renewable energy.

Remember to remove all stands, tinsel, lights and ornaments before putting trees or wreaths out for collection. **Do NOT wrap trees in plastic bags.**

**Need to get rid of an artificial tree?** Residents looking to get rid of an artificial tree should separate and remove the metal base and trunk and place those parts with their other metal recycling, and set the tree as garbage on a regular trash collection day.

For questions about Christmas tree collection, Sanitation services and holiday schedules contact 311 or visit [DSNY's website](http://DSNY's website).

### Mulchfest Say fir-well to your holiday tree at NYC Parks!



### December 26, 2024 - January 12, 2025

Wrap up your holiday season and say goodbye to your tree at Mulchfest. Join NYC Parks in the NYC holiday tradition of recycling your Christmas tree!

Put on your boots and haul your tree to a Mulchfest location — we'll chip your tree into wood chips that we'll use to nourish trees and make NYC even greener.

**46,626 trees were recycled last year. Help us top this number!**

### Chipping Weekend

Saturday, Jan. 11 and Sunday, Jan. 12  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bring your tree to a chipping site on Chipping Weekend to take home a tree-mento! We'll chip your tree and give you your very own bag of mulch to use in your backyard or to make a winter bed for a [street tree](#).



For more information and to find a Mulchfest near you visit

[nycgovparks.org/highlights/festivals/mulchfest](http://nycgovparks.org/highlights/festivals/mulchfest).



### FIRE SAFETY DURING CHANUKAH

Chanukah, the festival of lights, is a time for family gatherings, traditional cooking, and candle rituals. While these customs bring joy, they can also increase the risk of fires and fire-related injuries without proper safety precautions. Stay safe this holiday season by following key fire safety tips to protect yourself and your loved ones. For more fire safety information, visit [FDNY Smart website](#). You can also download the information sheets below:

English version of Fire Safety for Jewish Observances. Includes title, FDNY logo, and introductory text about fire safety during Chanukah. It lists key safety tips such as 'Wear tighter or snug-fitting sleeves', 'Use extra caution when handling boiling water', and 'Don't become distracted by attending to children or answering phone calls or doorbells'.

Yiddish version of Fire Safety for Jewish Observances. Includes title, FDNY logo, and introductory text about fire safety during Chanukah. It lists key safety tips such as 'Wear tighter or snug-fitting sleeves', 'Use extra caution when handling boiling water', and 'Don't become distracted by attending to children or answering phone calls or doorbells'.

English - Download

Yiddish - Download

Hebrew version of Fire Safety for Jewish Observances. Includes title, FDNY logo, and introductory text about fire safety during Chanukah. It lists key safety tips such as 'Wear tighter or snug-fitting sleeves', 'Use extra caution when handling boiling water', and 'Don't become distracted by attending to children or answering phone calls or doorbells'.

Hebrew - Download

Calling all NYC Youth! Apply now to the CCRB Youth Advisory Council. Applications close on Thursday, December 31, 2024. Includes QR code to apply, CCRB logo, and background image of the NYC skyline and Statue of Liberty.

### SUBSTANCE USE ASSISTANCE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

[Bridging Access to Care](#) provides a number of free and low-cost programs and resources to assist young people and their families struggling with substance use.

HOUSING IS YOUR RIGHT. LET US GIVE YOU ACCESS. ARE YOU SEEKING HOUSING ASSISTANCE? OUR CARE PROGRAM PROVIDES ESSENTIAL RESOURCES AND SERVICES TO HELP INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE STRUGGLING WITH HOUSING INSECURITY.

DO YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT SUBSTANCE USE AND HOUSING AND DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO? IF YOU'RE BETWEEN THE AGES OF 18-25, JOIN THREE MONTH SERVICES AND REACH YOUR FULL POTENTIAL! OUR PROGRAM OFFERS: Support for substance use issues, Housing support, Referral to mental health, vocational services, Tobacco cessation, Harm reduction education and supplies, Hepatitis C, STI, and HIV testing, Support groups.

FIRST STEPS. A SUPPORTIVE SPACE FOR SUBSTANCE USERS. We work with individuals who are looking to start managing their substance use using a trauma-informed and harm reduction approach. WE ACCEPT ALL MAJOR INSURANCE INCLUDING WALK-INS. WE OFFER: Individual Counseling, Support Groups, Social Services, Medication Management, Supportive Housing Referrals/Resources.

# NYC Let's talk trash!

A free educational series for New Yorkers committed to a cleaner and greener city.

**nyc  
trash  
academy**

presented by the  
sanitation foundation

The program runs from  
**January 21 –  
March 6, 2025**

Apply by  
**January 8, 2025**



**NYPD**

**70th Precinct**

**Community Council Meeting**

Wednesday January 29, 2025 at 7:30 PM

Adapt Community Network

Lawrence Avenue, Brooklyn 11230



Have a complaint or concern about a city service? Notice something that needs repair?

[Download the 311 app and report it on the go!](#)

If you live in CB14 ([check your district here!](#)) and your issue isn't resolved, [reach out to the Brooklyn Community Board 14 District Office](#) with your 311 tracking number for further assistance.

## FREE RAT ACADEMY TRAINING

Learn about  
rat prevention  
methods.

bye!



**NYC**  
Health

Find all Rat Academy Trainings at  
[www.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/rats-control-training.page](http://www.nyc.gov/site/doh/services/rats-control-training.page)

More [community events](#) and [resources](#) at [cb14brooklyn.com](http://cb14brooklyn.com)!

**FARMERS' MARKET  
NUTRITION PROGRAM**

Each year, during the summer, NYC Aging distributes thousands of coupon booklets worth \$25, which can be redeemed at participating farmers' markets and farm stands.

**FRESH PRODUCE FOR ELIGIBLE OLDER ADULTS**

DISTRIBUTION SITES: OLDER ADULT CENTERS, NORCS, & NONPROFITS

For more info, call Aging Connect at: 718-NYC-AGING (212-264-6469) or visit [www.nyc.gov/aging](http://www.nyc.gov/aging)

**GENuine Connections™**

Our lives revolve around connections. We know you have something important to offer.

Join GENuine Connections, an online-only space where you'll connect with peers and older adults in weekly small groups to hear each other's perspectives and bridge the generational divide, while having fun!

To apply, visit [cb14nyc.org/genconnections](http://cb14nyc.org/genconnections) to apply and volunteer for one of several interactive workshops: Brain Games, Singing, LGBT Community, and more!

Brought to You by DOROT (DOROT) is a nonprofit organization bringing generations together for positive social connections and mutual benefit.

Questions? Contact us at [genconnections@cb14nyc.org](mailto:genconnections@cb14nyc.org) or (332) 378-1551

**PEER SUPPORT GROUPS FOR PARENTS OF LGBTQ+ KIDS**

ONLINE:  
6:00 - 7:30 PM

English every third Tuesday of the month  
Spanish every fourth Tuesday of the month

**YOU'RE NOT ALONE. JOIN US!**

CONTACT US OR SCAN TO REGISTER:  
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