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## The City of New York Manhattan Community Board 8

**Youth & Education Committee Meeting** 

New York Blood Center, 310 East 67th Street, Auditorium Tuesday, December 9, 2013 at 7:00 PM

**Community Board Members (Present)**: Ed Hartzog, Hattie Quarnstrom, Judy Schneider, Barry Schneider, Sophia James

Community Board Members (Excused): Lori Bores, Lorraine Johnson, Debbie Teitelbaum, Jim Clynes, Sarah Chu, Community Board Public Members (Present): Michael Hoffman

- **A. Introductions** were made by everyone present.
- **B.** Featuring Robert L. Ward, Children's Village
  - Robert Ward spoke about the Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care (MTFC) program run by Children's Village, a non-profit organization that serves youth and families in New York City.
  - MTFC is an evidence-based foster care model which was based on a treatment model originally developed at the Oregon Social Learning Center for juvenile delinquent youth that was adapted for teens in foster care with challenging behaviors.
  - Children are placed into the care and custody of the Administration for Children's Services who then refers them into the MTFC program at Children's Village. The program lasts approximately 6-9 months and is an individualized behavior modification model in which the youth progresses through a three different level point system. Youth have the opportunity to receive points for positive behaviors and as they accumulate points they are given more freedoms.
  - The program puts an emphasis on positive social activities and youth in MTFC are provided with coaches to promote these activities.
  - The Children's Village is **recruiting potential foster parents for MTFC youth within CB8**. Foster parents have the ability to make significant impacts on a child's life, but also receive support from Children's Village through daily check-in calls, participation in the child's weekly treatment meetings, training and a monthly stipend. Those interested in becoming foster parents should contact Mr. Ward at rward@childrensvillage.org or 718-220-4700 x7240.

## E. Old/New Business

- At the CEC meeting on January 14, 2013 the new principal of the new middle school at PS 158 will be introduced.
- **F.** Future Meeting Dates
  - Meeting cancelled for January 2014

The meeting was adjourned.

Hattie Quarnstrom and Judith Schneider Co-Chair, Youth and Education Committee