

CB12 M Aging Committee Minutes

April 14th 2015

@ Community Board Office

Committee Attendees

Gloria Vanterpool, Chair

Edgard Nau (**Absent**)

Elizabeth Lehman- Asst. Chair

Lorenzo McGougan(**Absent**)

(excused)

Lilliana Saneaux

Arlene Schulman (excused)

Norma DeCandido **Public Member**

Guests:

Joselinne Minaya, Director, District Attorney's Office-Washington Hgt.

Mary Anderson, Gisselle Meija, Laura Whitehorn , Florence Misser

Chairperson called meeting at 10:20 am

Welcome was extended to all and followed by introductions.

Old Business

Sub-Committee Reports

Transportation

Safety – L. Saneaux shared an article on Elder Abuse

Borough President Senior Task Force

At this meeting a discussion surrounding the Access-A-Ride Service brought forth many complaints. It was agreed that a representative from MTA would be at the next Senior Advisory meeting in April to answer questions and offer some solutions to existing problems.

New Business

Ms. Joselinne Minaya, Director, Washington Heights Office / NY Dist. Attorney's distributed her office's brochure and discussed the services that will come out of her

office for the community. They included Community Partnerships Unit, Domestic Violence, Immigrant Affairs, Witness Aid Services. These units were discussed in detail. She distributed an information sheet "**Top Scams Targeting Seniors** and asked that this be shared with the Board. She assured us that her door was open to all at any time to listen and assist in any way possible with any problems.

White House Conference on Aging

The conference is held once each decade and 2015 marks this decade's conference. Before the actual conference later this year, there will be a series of forums hosted around the country. April and May, Cleveland and Boston will host theirs. The public is invited to share their thoughts, stories and comments and will be able to view on the White House Conference on Aging website forum and submit suggestions or questions. The actual date of the conference in Washington will be announced later. Our committee will contribute suggestions to be considered for topics for the conference.

City Harvest Survey Summary

Gisselle Meija discussed the particulars of survey and what was learned from those who participated in answering the survey. The results will be submitted to the Manhattan Times for the community's knowledge.

New York Public Oral History Interviews

This is a neighborhood oral history project that invites people in our community to share their experiences and stories living in this community over the years. The Inwood and Ft. Washington 179th library are recruiting interviewers to collect these stories. Arlene Schulman of our Aging Committee is an interviewer as well as Mary Anderson. The stories will be collected and preserved at The Milstein Division of WS History. The interviews will also be accessible in full length on line.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am

Next meeting is May12th 2015