

CB7 Immigration Committee Meeting-February 26th, 2020

Venue: CB7 Community Room

Committee Chairs : Jimmy Li & Anita Bulan

Attendees: CB7 board members, Thrive NYC Coordinator Aldo Cano, community members

The meeting started with a presentation from Thrive NYC on Mental Health First Aid trainings. The purpose of this training was to understand better when someone is experiencing a mental health crisis. In this presentation, audience learned some strategies to identify folks who might show early signs and symptoms of mental illness. Some early intervention tools were discussed and how to get professional care was also explored in the presentation. The eight-hour training is free and available to all New Yorkers who are interested. All trainees will receive a three-year certification in Mental Health First Aid.

After the presentation, we have a group discussion on importance of Census 2020. Getting everyone counted is more important than ever and we need more representations in DC to fight for our community needs in education, housing, senior & youth services, transportation, and parks & recreation. We hope to partner more with the NYC Census 2020 office for more community engagements to immigrant communities.

We planned to host a cross-cultural Summer Street Festival to celebrate our community diverse cultures, food, and living habits. Our plan in February was to host this event sometimes in late July or early August but unfortunately it didn't happen but hopefully we can do this next year.

In response to growing anti-Asian sentiments and coronavirus inspired bias hate crimes against Asian Americans, the Immigration Committee passed a resolution in this meeting to urge city to devote more resources on education to public on solidarity, unity and compassion with Asian American communities.

(Jeremy - can you please provide exact wording of the resolution?)

CB7 Immigration Committee Virtual Meeting-August 20th, 2020

Virtual Tool: WebEx