



Community Board Six Manhattan

East Midtown News and CB 6 Activities - 9/03/14 Join CB6 list of East Midtown Coop Boards; Surveys of Dirty Newsracks

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*In this issue: **News:** a call to complete the full Second Avenue Subway. **Events:** CB6 Senior Issues Forum; State Senator Krueger's Rental Housing Forum; Ready NY workshop for clergy; Citizens for NYC neighborhood leadership workshops; UN General Assembly; CB6 Business to Business Networking Night; It's My Park Day. **Construction:** Overnight work on 2nd Ave. between E. 57th & 59th Streets. **Services:** Join the CB6 list of east midtown coop board leaders; survey of dirty news racks; graffiti removal; September courses at the NYC Business Solutions Center; 311 Flyer.*

News

A call to complete full Second Ave. Subway now

The Lexington subway line serves an average of 1.3 million riders each day – more than the average daily ridership of any other entire transit system in the US. The Second Avenue Subway offers the promise of public transit to the East Side to neighborhoods long isolated. The first phase of the Second Avenue Subway, opening in 2016, will only extend the Q line from 57th Street to 96th Street. While this will provide some much-needed relief on the Lexington line, it doesn't truly solve the problem. [Assemblymember Dan](#)

[Quart calls for the MTA](#) to begin financing, planning and building the next phases, and a full build of the Second Avenue Subway, from 125th Street to Hanover Square, to avoid delays that would stretch on for many years.

Events

Presentation at CB6 Transportation Committee Meeting, Sept. 8

NYC Dept. of Transportation will give a presentation on the conversion of Third Avenue between East 24th and East 25th Streets from a one-way to a two-way street.

[Meeting details here.](#)

Free document shredding, Friday, September 12, 10 AM - 1 PM

Stein Senior Center, 204 East 23rd St. Sponsored by Comptroller Scott Stringer. Limit three boxes per household. Call 212-669-3916.

Aging Smart in NYC: A CB6 Senior Issues Forum, Monday, September 15th



NYU Langone Medical Center, 550 1st Avenue at E.30th Street, Alumni Hall B, 6 - 8 PM. Issues to be discussed by our expert panel include emergency preparedness, health care resources, technology and lifelong learning, and senior housing options. [Flyer here.](#)

Ready NY workshop for east midtown clergy and leaders of faith organizations
Wednesday, September 17, 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Convened by CB6 and Church of the Covenant. NYC is most at risk of hurricanes between August and October, and the city's new [Know Your Zone map](#) shows that much of East Midtown near the East River is at risk of flooding. Leaders of faith organizations are invited to learn about NYC Office of Emergency Management's [Ready New York campaign](#), and will be encouraged to set up similar presentations for their own congregations and neighbors. Church of the Covenant, 310 East 42nd Street, between First Avenue and Second Avenue.

Everything You Want to Know About Rental Housing in NYC, Thursday, September 18th

Panelists will cover how to keep an apartment regulated, the basics about evictions and housing court, senior housing issues, and how to build a tenant's association. Lighthouse Guild International, 111 East 59th St., 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Hosted by State Senator Liz Krueger; co-sponsored by CB6. Please contact lkruieger@nysenate.gov for more information.

Street tree care event, Sept. 18



Following surveys of vacant tree beds conducted by civic groups within CB6, NYC Dept. of Parks has

planted many new street trees. But the work doesn't stop there, as younger trees need regular watering and care in order to thrive. [Trees New York](#) offers a [Citizen Tree Pruner course](#), and will come out to help you and your neighbors in caring for and watering trees. Meet Trees NY staff and volunteers on Thurs. Sept. 18, 10:30 AM at 10 Mitchell Place, near the corner of E. 49th St. and 1st Avenue, and learn how to set up a similar event on your block. Contact [Marise Hausner](#) for more information.

Citizens for NYC Neighborhood Leadership Workshop Series, Sept. 20 & 27

Basics of community organizing around neighborhood issues, Sept. 20. How to build and maintain an effective neighborhood association or community group, Sept. 27. [Both events 11 AM - 3 PM.](#)

United Nations General Assembly, Sept. 22 - Oct. 3



Each year, thousands of world leaders come to CB6 to participate in the [General Assembly](#). For updates about street closures and traffic changes, contact the [Mayor's Office of International Affairs](#) at 212-319-9391.

UN Climate Summit, Climate Week NYC, and Climate March

Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon has called for bold action to avoid dangerous and irreversible climate disruption. This year's UNGA will include a [UN Climate Summit](#). Nearly 80 public events are taking

place through [Climate Week NYC](#). A massive [climate march](#) is set for Sept. 21.

Tree Care Workshop, Sept. 27



Help water and care for the 110,000 new street trees that have been planted across New York City! At [MillionTreesNYC's free tree stewardship workshops](#), you will learn about how to water, weed, and mulch street trees in your neighborhood. Invite your neighbors to come with you. The next one nearby is Sept. 27, 10 AM - 1 PM, at Lexington Ave. and E. 117th Street.

Kips Bay Library September Events

Free workshops on: online banking for the 50+ set; downloading NYPL Ebooks; connecting to the cloud; book discussion and clutter support groups. Afternoon movies. [Details here](#).

CB6 Business to Business Networking Night, October 14

Tuesday, Oct. 14, 6 - 8 PM, Japan Society, 333 E 47th St, between 1st and 2nd Avenues.

Meet other east midtown small business people, and members of the CB6 Board. Stephen Shallo, Director of Client Services at NYC Dept. of Small Business Services, will make a brief presentation about the SBS [Business Acceleration Division](#). Wine and refreshments will be served. No charge to attend, but

please RSVP to office@cbsix.org.

Volunteer at your local park on It's My Park Day, October 18

It's My Parks Day is an annual citywide initiative from Partnerships for Parks. Park friends groups and community organizations will be planting bulbs, raking leaves and offering fun activities. Participating groups within CB6 include Friends of Albano Park, Friends of St. Vartan Park, Stuyvesant Park Neighborhood Association, SSCA and SPDog (Stuyvesant Park), Kips Bay Neighborhood Alliance (Glick Park) and Sutton Area Community Inc. (Sutton Place Park). [Click here for details about projects](#), or contact [Kirsti Bambridge](#), Partnerships for Parks Outreach Coordinator, at 212-408-0216.

Construction

Night work on East 57 - 59th Street through November

From September 2 through mid-November 2014, there will be [overnight work from 10 PM - 5 AM](#), Monday - Friday, on 2nd Avenue between East 57th and East 59th Street as part of the [third water tunnel](#) project.

Services

Join the Community Board 6 List of East Midtown Coop Board Leaders

CB6 wants to be able to communicate with you. We can provide information about an array of city services and assist boards of coops, condos and tenant associations in addressing city service delivery concerns and expediting service requests. Start by putting your building on our map. [Join our contact list](#) of east midtown coop board and tenant association

representatives.

Send us the name, email and other contact information for your president or representative, along with the address of your building. We'll add you to our [list of community organizations](#) - or if you prefer, we'll keep it private. Please share this information with members of your building's board or tenant association...and to your friends and colleagues living within CB6.

CB6 summer intern projects

This summer, our interns went door to door, contacting hundreds of small independent businesses in the district with information about City programs, while recording street conditions such as potholes and broken sidewalks for entry into the 311 system. They also produced a report on the condition of the 77 Privately Owned Public Spaces (POPS) located at buildings within the district, in collaboration with the POPS project at the Municipal Art Society.

Dirty News Rack Survey



Our summer interns also identified 67 news racks within CB6 that are dirty and / or covered with graffiti.

The vast majority are Learning Annex racks, which do not appear to have been refilled with literature for some time. The list has been sent to Dept. of Transportation for investigation. More pictures [on our Facebook page](#).

Removing Graffiti

Graffiti-Free NYC offers free graffiti removal services and supplies to commercial, industrial, and residential buildings. The program is a cooperative effort between the NYC Economic Development Corporation, the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs, and the Department of Sanitation. Individuals and business owners can request [Graffiti-Free NYC services](#) by contacting 311 and requesting graffiti removal.

September Courses at the NYC Business Solutions Center

[NYC Business Solutions](#) is a set of free services offered by the Department of Small Business Services to help businesses start, operate and expand. Whether you're an entrepreneur, running a small business or a large corporation, they will have free services for your needs. Upcoming courses this month include: [Business Financial Management](#); [Accessing Financing](#); [Intro to Financial Projections](#); and [Small Business Digital Toolkit: Social Media Fundamentals](#).

Download our 311 Flyer



Post or forward [our flyer](#) that explains how calling 311 can help keep our neighborhood clean and orderly. You can also enter 311 requests online at www.nyc.gov/311 or from a smartphone.

Contact office@cbsix.org with the 311 request number you are given to expedite service.

Call 911 to report emergencies or crimes in progress. [Download the flyer here](#).

Learn More About CB6 and Community Boards

Go to our [resources page](#) to learn about how CB6 and community boards work. While there you will also find directories of community organizations, senior services and elected officials.

Submit your Questions and Complaints

Please contact CB6 at office@cbsix.org with your comments, suggestions, questions and service requests.

See Previous CB6 Newsletters

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September CB6 Committee Meetings

Meetings are subject to change. Please visit [our calendar page](#) for updates.

Parks, Landmarks & Cultural Affairs Committee
Tuesday, 9/2

Land Use/Waterfront Committee
Wednesday, 9/3

Budget & Government Affairs

Monday, 9/8

Transportation
Monday, 9/8

Housing, Homeless & Human Rights Committee
Tuesday, 9/9

Full Board Meeting
Wednesday, 9/10

Public Safety & Environment
Monday, 9/15

Executive Committee
Wednesday, 9/17

Health & Education
Tuesday, 9/23

Business Affairs and Street Activities Committee
Thursday, 9/25

For location, time and details see [our calendar page](#).