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[June 2022] Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

Full Newsletter: [<https://us9.campaign-archive.com/?u=73e8e9414b5a25e31f84f3b3f&id=b94a38ba48>]

Highlights

1. Manhattan District Attorney, Alvin Bragg Jr., in partnership with the Oyate Group and the New York City Police Department Community Affairs Bureau will be hosting a Gun Buyback in Central Harlem at the Soul Saving Station Church located at 302 West 124th Street on Saturday, June 25th from 10:00am-4:00pm. This Gun Buyback will offer individuals the opportunity to anonymously turn in their firearms in exchange for a prepaid gift card. Individuals will receive \$500 for an operable handgun or assault rifle, \$150 for a rifle or shotgun, and \$50 for BB guns and imitation pistols. There is a 5-gun limit for each person. Each gun we recover is one step closer to making our community safer for everyone. Join us in this effort and let's work together to get these guns off our streets. Flyers are available for distribution for those who wish to help get the word out.
2. The Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg's Office will be hosting its 4th Annual Art of Healing Event in East Harlem. This event is tailored to provide a method of healing from gun-violence trauma through the creative arts. We will have music, food, dance, art activities, spoken word and many resources for the community. Date and time are Saturday, June 18th from 12 a.m. – 4 p.m. Flyers are available for distribution for those who wish to help get the word out.
3. D.A. Bragg, the Brooklyn D.A.'s Office and the NYPD, announced the indictment of an individual who possessed a \$20,000 arsenal of ghost gun parts, including nearly 300 high-capacity magazines. These magazines, which are illegal in New York, were shipped to Pennsylvania and then brought to the city – a clear example of how the iron pipeline continues to fuel gun violence. "We will continue to work closely with our law enforcement partners to find and prosecute those who are in possession of these illegal weapons," said District Attorney Bragg.
4. District Attorney Bragg spoke with Baruch College students about how growing up in Harlem shaped his views on the criminal justice system: "I'm the first Manhattan D.A. to have a murder victim on my doorstep. I know the trauma of gun violence and don't want anyone else to experience it."