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## Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

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### Highlights

#### **RECENT OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS:**

The Public Advocate and our team have been working on some of the most pressing issues in our city, including the asylum seeker crisis. Our office traveled to Washington, DC for a second time to urge federal action and resources, a call we have continued throughout the five boroughs in touring the Roosevelt hotel and other shelter sites. We call on all levels of government to collaborate and provide aid for the migrant crisis. No one should be living under the conditions of our current temporary shelters, and that the city cannot end the crisis alone.

Separately, we worked throughout the summer to collaborate with community organizations on gun violence prevention, and are heartened that the mayor has announced a new blueprint to combat gun violence which centers the work of these groups and the need for enhanced services like housing, healthcare, and education in neighborhoods most affected by this violence.

Legislative Updates

Over the summer, the Public Advocate and his team passed legislation encouraging green city building projects across the city. The law will help to incentivize clean energy projects by expanding the kinds of buildings eligible for these incentives. Investing in sustainability projects will ultimately decrease emissions throughout New York City.

#### **We continue to work on passing critical legislation including:**

- An enforceable ban on solitary confinement
- Requirements for housing violations to be addressed more quickly
- Requirement for the NYPD to be transparent about all stops

The Public Advocate has now passed 20 laws since taking office, more than all previous Public Advocates combined