

KINGSBORO PSYCH: COMMUNITY PRIORITIES

As part of the Vital Brooklyn Initiative, with the support of State Assembly Members, Community Advisory Councils were convened across Central Brooklyn to hear directly from communities. Bringing nearly 100 key community stakeholders to the table through focused discussions with implementing agencies, Central Brooklyn communities are directing the first round of State resources, while elevating unmet needs in improving overall wellness. The State is working to capture and leverage the following valuable input into additional action. From this engagement process the 43rd Assembly District's Community Advisory Council identified the following development priorities:

AFFORDABILITY MIX MUST INCLUDE:

- Homeownership Units
- Units serving households earning from 30% of AMI to 90% of AMI with an equitable distribution among all income tiers within this range.

FOCUS ON INTEGRATING SUPPORTIVE & NON SUPPORTIVE POPULATIONS

- A focus on serving multiple supportive populations with onsite services while creating a balanced environment that weaves the entire community together.
- Prioritizing and offering on-site supportive services for the following populations:
 - Frail/ Elderly Seniors*
 - People Living with HIV or AIDS
 - Chronically Homeless Individuals
 - Individuals with Serious Mental Illness

PROVIDE CREATIVE AMENITIES

- A partnership with the 1199SEIU Training and Employment Fund may be utilized as an anchor commercial tenant.
- Provide various commercial and community facility spaces that may include arts and culture, social services, a childcare facility, and a pharmacy. A partnership with an organization that provides comprehensive employment services and workforce training is highly desired.
- Connect the community to affordable healthy food options including a supermarket and an emergency food provider that employs a self select or client choice model.
- Include flexible gathering spaces that can be used by the community for meetings, exercise, performances, and more.
- Provide amenities such as gyms, youth spaces, and space for outdoor recreational activities.
- Incorporate green and energy efficient elements in design such as an accessible green rooftop, community garden, and solar panels.

*Referrals from these facilities in the district are encouraged: Susan Smith McKinney Nursing Home, Marcus Garvey Nursing Home, and hospitals and facilities in the One Brooklyn Health network