



# **Manhattan Community Board 1**

Summary of 2014 Accomplishments

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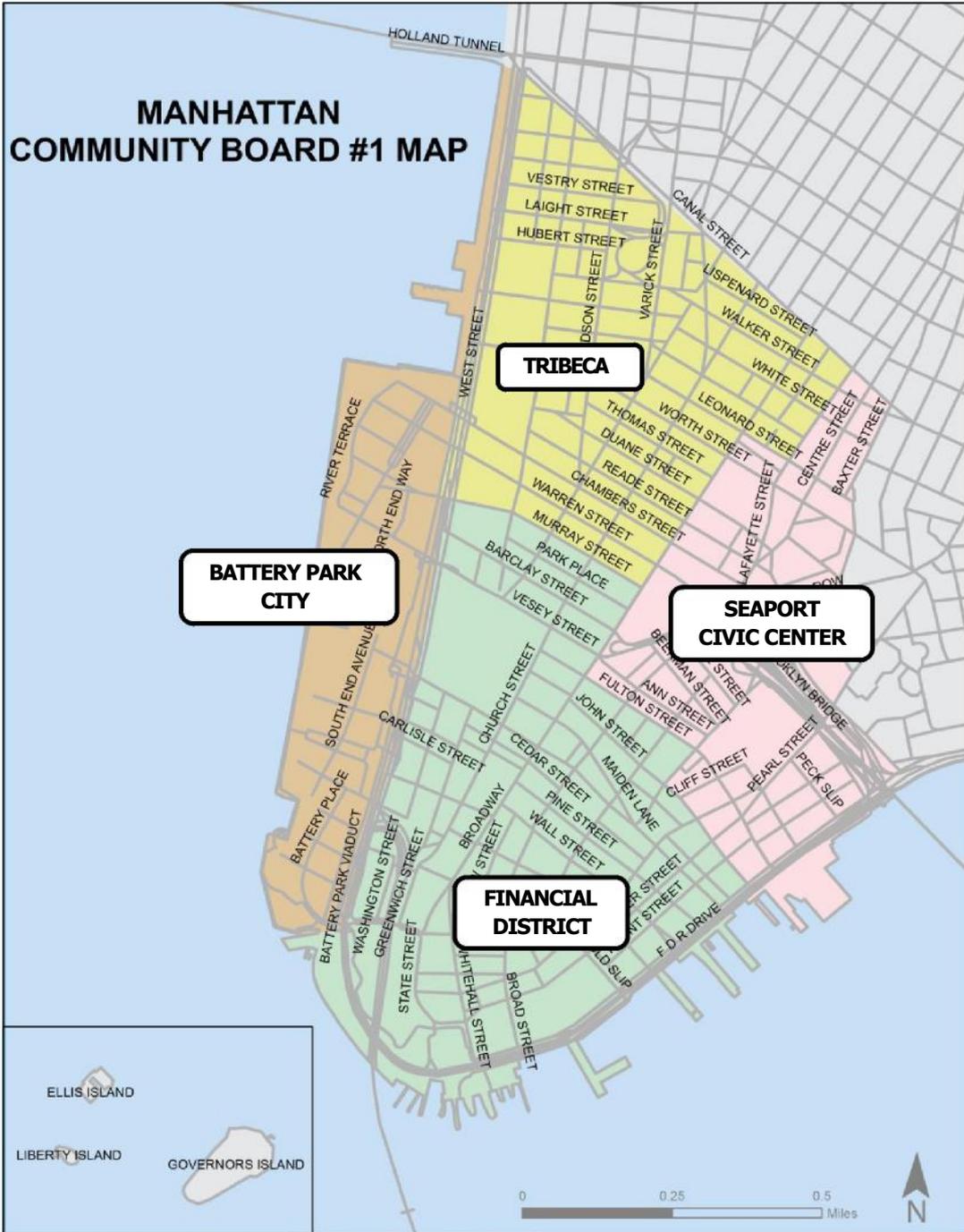
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# MANHATTAN COMMUNITY BOARD #1 MAP



# CB1 Key Facts

## Major Events:

- 2001 – September 11<sup>th</sup> Terrorist Attacks
- 2008 – Financial Crisis
- 2012 – Superstorm Sandy (October 29th)

A community built on resiliency and hard work that continues to rebuild and to develop into a 24/7 dynamic place to live, to work and to visit.

- Residential population has tripled since 2000 (est. 65,000)
- Baby boom due to families wanting to move and to stay in CB1 which has compounded the shortage of school seats and ball fields
- Estimated 310,000 workers
- Estimated 11.5 Million Tourists
- 90+ major public and private construction projects in 1.5 square mile

# **CB1 Committees and Task Forces**

- Battery Park City Committee
- Executive Committee
- Financial District Committee
- Landmarks Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Planning Committee
- Quality of Life Committee
- Seaport/Civic Center Committee
- Tribeca Committee
- Youth & Education Committee
- Street Fair Task Force

# Applications to CB1 2014

TYPE	2014	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008
Board of Standards and Appeals	10	10	3	4	5	2	4
New Liquor Licenses	96	85	62	72	68	69	71
Liquor License Renewals*	120	199	-	-	-	-	-
Landmarks Preservation Commission	43	42	43	56	39	35	33
Newsstand Licenses	2	4	5	7	10	3	3
Sidewalk Café Licenses**	31	27	26	25	22	23	21
Street Activity Permits	51	38	70	54	53	50	33
Street Co-Naming	0	0	0	2	0	4	1
Land Use Projects***	8	28	-	-	-	-	-
Uniform Land Use Review Procedure	2	1	10	4	7	9	12
421-A/Inclusionary Housing Program	3	0	0	0	2	2	0
Cabaret	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>366</b>	<b>435</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>179</b>

\*Liquor license renewals were first documented in the table for 2013, and are thus not listed for years 2007-

2012 \*\*Renewals included

\*\*\*In 2013 the table was expanded to include all land use projects, not just Uniform Land Use Review Procedure

# Applications by Committees 2014

TYPE	BPC	FINANCIAL SEAPORT	TRIBECA	TOTAL	
Board of Standards and Appeals	0	3	1	6	<b>10</b>
New Liquor Licenses	9	32	21	34	<b>96</b>
Liquor License Renewals	13	46	15	46	<b>120</b>
Newsstand Licenses	0	1	0	1	<b>2</b>
Sidewalk Café Licenses	2	0	5	24	<b>31</b>
Street Activity Permits	20	18	6	7	<b>51</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>310</b>

# CB1's Nine Special Reports 2014

## [Vendor Restricted Streets in Community District 1 – December 2014](#)

Map showing streets restricted to vendors in Community District 1 (as determined by the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs) as well as a table detailing day and hour restrictions by Marline Paul, CUNY Service Corps Member

## [Community Board 1 School Map and Data Package – December 2014](#)

Map and information on schools within Community District 1 by Diana Switaj, Director of Planning & Land Use and Jeff Sun, Community Planning Fellow

## [Community District 1 Population Report – October 2014](#)

Presentation showing findings from a demographic analysis on Community Board 1's total population between 2000 and 2010, detailed by neighborhood by Jeff Sun, Community Planning Fellow

## [Community District 1 Green Spaces Profile – September 2014](#)

Summary profile of green spaces in Community District 1, including an inventory of LEED rated and Energy Star certified spaces and buildings by Julien P. Schmitz, Research Consultant & Diana Switaj, Director of Planning and Land Use

## [Open Space Inventory Update – May 2014](#)

Presentation summarizing an update on “Parks: A Community Needs Assessment through Inventory and Analysis” by Aleena Farishta & Julie Sophonpanich, Urban Planning Fellows

## [Sidewalk Café Regulations – May 2014](#)

Summary of sidewalk cafe regulations applicable regulations for the district promulgated by the Department of Consumer Affairs by Consulting Planner Michael Levine

## [Summary of State Liquor Authority Forum – May 2014](#)

Summary of Joint Meeting Community Boards 1, 2 and 3 with the State Liquor Authority by CB1 member Jeff Ehrlich

## [Senior Population Report – March 2014](#)

Demographic analysis on Community Board 1's senior population between 2000 and 2010 by Community Planning Fellow Julie Sophonpanich

## [Child Demographics Update – February 2014](#)

Presentation given at Speaker Silver's School Overcrowding Task Force showing an update on Community Board 1's child demographics, birth rates, residential development and school overcrowding issues by Diana Switaj

# CB1's Nine Testimonies 2014

## [Peck Slip School - November 10, 2014](#)

Submitted a written comment on the proposed re-siting of The Peck Slip School (02M343) from Building M860 to New Building M343 in the 2015-2016 School Year to the New York City Department of Education

## [Reduction of Greenhouse Gases - October 23, 2014](#)

Testimony on Int. 378 to the New York City Council Committee on Environmental Protection

## [MTA Capital Program - August 7, 2014](#)

Testimony on the Metropolitan Transit Authority's 2015 – 2019 Capital Program at the Assembly Standing Committee on Corporations, Authorities and Commissions

## [Major Transportation Concerns - July 17, 2014](#)

Testimony on the major transportation concerns of Manhattan Community Board 1 at the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council

## [Super Storm Sandy - June 17, 2014](#)

Testimony on Super Storm Sandy Recovery at New York City Comptroller Scott M. Stringer's Sandy Oversight Hearing

## [Governors Island Update - May 21, 2014](#)

Testimony on Waterfronts - Oversight: Update on Governors Island at New York City Council Committee

## [Community Board Recruitment and Appointment - March 3, 2014](#)

Testimony on Best Practices for Recruitment and Appointments to Community Boards to the New York City Council Committee on Government Oversight

## [Community Board Full Board Meeting Webcasts - February 24, 2014](#)

Testimony on a Local Law to Amend the New York City Charter, in Relation to requiring that all Community Board Full Board Meetings be Webcast to New York City Council Committee on Technology

## [Report to Borough President Gale A. Brewer by Catherine McVay Hughes, Chair of CB1 - January 22, 2014](#)

# CB1's Eight Land Use Projects 2014

- Greening of Greenwich Street
- Chinatown Working Group
- Proposed signage for East River Esplanade, New York City Economic Development Corporation
- New York Rising\*
- Seaport Working Group\*
- Governors Island, application for approval of Artist Studio for Spaceworks in Building 301
- Peck Slip Park
- West Thames Street Pedestrian Bridge

\* Long-term initiative

# CB1's Nine Forums 2014

- South Street Seaport Town Hall Meeting on proposed Howard Hughes Corporation Mixed Use Project – January 13, 2014
- Rodent Academy with NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – April 17, 2014
- State Liquor Authority Forum with CB2 and CB3 – May 6, 2014 \*
- Governor Cuomo's Citizen Preparedness Training Program with the National Guard – May 19, 2014 in Southbridge Towers and September 30, 2014 in Battery Park City \*
- Impact of 9/11 Memorial Plaza opening on pedestrian and vehicular flow – June 19, 2014
- Fire Safety Forum with NYC Fire Department – September 18, 2014
- Assembly Member Glick's Town Hall on Lets Protect our Drinking Water: Fighting Hydraulic Fracturing in New York State – October 29, 2014 \*
- Senator Squadron's Tenant Town Hall and Resource Fair with elected officials and community boards – December 2, 2014 \*

\* Co-sponsored

# CB1 Accomplishments for 2014

**Community Board 1 thanks everyone from our elected City, State and Federal Officials and agencies to concerned community members and groups and CB1 members and staff who helped achieve the accomplishments**

- Brought CB1 leadership together for discussions with key City officials and leaders including Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, Landmarks Preservation Commission Chair Meenakshi Srinivasan, Commissioner of Parks and Recreation Bill Castro, Community Assistance Unit Commissioner Marco Carrion, Lower Manhattan Development Corporation President David Emil and Downtown Alliance President Jessica Lappin
- Participated in creation and leadership of Seaport Working Group with elected officials and other stakeholders to guide future development in the South Street Seaport area, prior to ULURP certification
- Increased public space and ballfields, working with various agencies and other stakeholders including DOT, DPR, PANYNJ, LMDC/HUD, NYPD, Downtown Alliance, and Old Seaport Alliance; spaces included Albany Street Plaza, Peck Slip Park East and West (including No Parking signs around the park) and two grass ballfields opened on Governors Island

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- Worked to reintegrate the WTC site into the public realm and improved pedestrian and vehicular flow on streets around the World Trade Center site and addressed quality of life impacts affecting local residents and businesses, working with relevant government agencies and other stakeholders including NYS DOT, NYC DOT, PANYNJ, NYPD WTC Command
- Advocated for post-Sandy recovery, resiliency and funding, including co-chairing of New York Rising for Lower Manhattan
- Worked successfully with elected officials and other advocates and organizations to ban hydraulic fracturing in New York State following many years of advocacy
- Improved pedestrian safety and amenities in various parts of CB1, notably: Nassau Street, Liberty and West Street and other locations in Battery Park City
- Advocated successfully for major capital improvements to be made to apartments in Gateway Plaza to improve energy-efficiency and quality of life of residents

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- Advocated on behalf of parents in various ways, including; helped keep a middle school at Spruce Street School, finalized securing of funding for improvements of Millennium High, school's multipurpose common spaces; advocated for budget adjustments reversal for P.S. 89
- Advocated against the proposed relocation of the summons arraignment and criminal court from 346 Broadway to an inappropriate location in a residential neighborhood
- Mitigated ongoing quality of life problems related to construction including post-Sandy rebuilding; worked with local residents, businesses, city agencies and event promoters
- Improved CB1 review process for applications to the State Liquor Authority by establishing uniform guidelines for review of applications for liquor licenses, expanding the use of stipulation agreements with applicants and creating a more detailed questionnaire for applicants