

NEIGHBORHOODS

A brief description by Community Board of Queens neighborhoods, current projects and local economic development organizations.

COMMUNITY BOARD 1

**Astoria, Old Astoria, Long Island City (north of Queens Plaza),
Queensbridge, Ditmars, Ravenswood,
Steinway, Garden Bay**

Across the East River from Manhattan they developed as villages encompassing both residential and emerging industries in the mid to late 1800's. The Steinway Piano factory built one of the City's first company towns complete with manufacturing plants, housing and community facilities in 1870. The opening of the Queensborough Bridge in 1909 was a major catalyst in the development of the area. After World War II a many housing developments; Queensbridge Houses, Ravenswood, Queensview and Garden Bay Manor were built.

As major manufacturing shifted away from New York City the character of the community has evolved. There are still mid size and small factories as well as many service and distribution operation that benefit from the area's central location and transportation system. The Entrepreneur's Space - an incubator for Food & Business recently opened on 37th Street. Queens Plaza was rezoned to bring in residential uses that have transformed the area and brought in thousands of new residents.

New infrastructure improvements will enhance the pedestrian and traffic areas. On the north side of Queens Plaza 1 Met Life Plaza is home to Met Life with JetBlue Airlines slated to relocate there. The new Gotham Center on the south side will soon to be home to operations of the New York City Department of Health. New hotels have been built around Queens Plaza that capitalizes on budget travelers.

In Astoria along 35th Avenue the expansion of the Kaufman Astoria Studios, the rebuilding of the Museum of the Moving Image and the opening of the Frank Sinatra School for the Arts having given the area cache as an arts district.

Steinway Street is the largest commercial with thousands of local shops with many nationally chains represented. Ditmars Boulevard, Broadway and 31st Avenue are also major shopping strips.

Development Organizations

Astoria Restoration Association

31-28 Ditmars Boulevard

Astoria 11105

Phone: (718) 726-0034

Email: cmpiecora@aol.com

Central Astoria Local Development Coalition

25-69 38th Street.1C

Astoria 11103

Phone: (718) 728-7820
Fax: (718) 728-7413
Email: centralastoria@aol.com
Web: www.centralastoria.org

East River Development Alliance

12-11 40th Avenue
Long Island City 11101
Phone: (718) 784-0877
Fax: (718) 729-1288
Email: ERDA@ERDAlliance.org
Web: www.erdalliance.org

Long Island City Partnership

1 Metlife Plaza 27-01 Queens Plaza 9th Floor
Long Island City 11101
Phone: (718) 786-5300
Fax: (718) 937-1799
Email: gaylebaron@licbdc.org
Web: www.licbdc.org

Business Improvement Districts

Long Island City Business Improvement District

1 Metlife Plaza 27-01 Queens Plaza 9th Floor
Long Island City 11101
Phone: (718) 786-5300
Fax: (718) 937-1799
Web: www.licbid.org/

Steinway Street Business Improvement District

28-27 Steinway Street
Astoria, NY 11103
Phone: (718) 728-7820
Fax: (718) 728-7413
Web: www.steinwaystreet.org
Email: Steinwaystbid@aol.com

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

Broadway Merchants and Professionals Organization

P.O. Box 3212
Long Island City, NY 11102
Phone: (718) 721-8252

Ditmars Boulevard/31st Street Merchants Association

21-77 31st St., 2nd Floor
Astoria 11105

30th Avenue Business Association

36-17 30th Avenue
Astoria 11101
Phone: (718) 956-3366

Fax: (718) 728-1766
Email: Avenue30@myastoria.com
Web: www.myastoria.com/30thAve

36th Avenue Merchants Association

41-20 29th Avenue
Long Island City 11101
Phone: (718) 786-2049
Fax: (718) 728-7413

COMMUNITY BOARD 2

**Long Island City, Sunnyside, Woodside,
Hunter's Point**

For many years Long Island City was a significant center of manufacturing with large factories such as Eagle Electric and Swingline Staplers. Still a center for smaller manufacturers, warehouses and distribution, the area has changed rapidly into a mixed use community attracting more housing, cultural and recreational diversity. Citi, which built its first tower over 20 years ago, added a second office tower in 2006. Cit and the nearby United Nations Credit Union provide jobs to over 4,000 people in financial services.

New developments in Long Island City include Gantry Park on the waterfront; Queens West with housing between Center Boulevard and 5th Street; and new infrastructure improvements will enhance the pedestrian and traffic areas along Jackson Avenue and Queens Plaza. Hunters Point South is slated to be new development with affordable housing On Queens Plaza South the new Gotham Center, is to be home to operations of the New York City Department of Health. Transportation is being improved through connecting the G and 7 subway lines and an LIRR station at Sunnyside Yards.

Sunnyside has seen new development with new office and residential buildings that complement long established neighborhoods such as the historic Sunnyside Gardens landmark district. Woodside is a transportation node with the 7 line and Long Island Railroad. LaGuardia Community College, with an enrollment of over 40,000 students, has numerous credit and continuing education programs including the NY Designs Business Incubator.

Development Organizations

Hunters Point Community Development Corporation

49-10 Vernon Blvd.
LIC, NY 11101
Phone: (718)786-9245

Long Island City Business Development Corporation

1 Metlife Plaza 27-01 Queens Plaza 9th Floor
Long Island City 11101
Phone: (718) 786-5300
Fax: (718) 937-1799

Email: gaylebaron@licbdc.org

Web: www.licbdc.org

Queens West Development Corporation

633 Third Avenue, 36th Floor

New York 10017

Phone: (212) 803-3600

Fax: (212) 803-3615

Email: Queenswest@empire.state.ny.us

Web : www.queenswest.org

Woodside on the Move, Inc.

39-42 59th Street

Woodside 11377

Phone: (718) 476-8449

Fax: (718) 476-6946

Email: info@woodsideonthemove.org

Web: www.woodsideonthemove.org

Business Improvement Districts

Long Island City Business Improvement District

1 Metlife Plaza 27-01 Queens Plaza 9th Floor

Long Island City 11101

Phone: (718) 786-5300

Fax: (718) 937-1799

Web: www.licbid.org/

Sunnyside Shines Business Improvement District

45-56 43rd Street

Sunnyside, NY 11104

Phone: (718) 606-1800

Email: infor@sunnysideshines.org

Web: www.sunnysideshines.org

Chambers of Commerce/Merchant Associations

Sunnyside Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 4399

Sunnyside NY 11104

Phone: (718) 482-6053/ (718) 482-8752

Web: www.sunnysidechamber.org

COMMUNITY BOARD 3

**Jackson Heights, North Corona,
East Elmhurst**

Bordered by the 7 subway line to the south and LaGuardia Airport to the north, these are primarily residential communities that have seen an upsurge in growth through new housing. Anchored by the 1920's co-ops along 35th Avenue, new

multi-unit housing developments dot many of the major streets in all three communities.

LaGuardia Airport and Vaughn College of Aviation are major employers and hubs of economic activity. 74th Street, 82nd Street and 37th Avenue are major shopping and restaurant destinations that reflect the ethnic diversity of the Borough.

Business Improvement Districts

82nd Street Business Improvement District

37-02 82nd Street, 3rd Floor
Jackson Heights 11372
Phone: (718) 335-9421
Fax: (718) 507-2977
Email: sdevi82dma@verizon.net
Web: www.82ndstreetbid.org

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

Jackson Heights Bangladeshi Business Association

37-08 73rd Street
Jackson Heights, NY 11372
Fax: (718) 478-4791

Jackson Heights Business and Professional Association

PO Box 36
77-10 34th Avenue, Apt A 74
Jackson Heights , NY 11372
Phone: (718) 476-3173
Fax: (718) 476-0671

Jackson Heights 74th Street Merchants Association

P.O. Box 40 Jackson Heights 11372
37-08 74th Street
Phone: (718) 651-6971
Fax: (718) 458-3771

New Northern Boulevard Business Association

84-21 Northern Boulevard OR
33-26 92nd Street
Jackson Heights 11372
Phone: (718) 899-6247
Email: kooljazz@excite.com

Northern Boulevard Merchants Association

Gerard Murray
106-11 Northern Boulevard
Corona 11368
Fax: (718) 898-1553

Northern Queens Regional Chamber of Commerce

33-47 91st Street

COMMUNITY BOARD 4

Elmhurst, Corona, Corona Heights

Roosevelt Avenue, Broadway and Queens Boulevard form the main commercial districts of these communities with many locally owned shops. Queens Boulevard in Elmhurst is home to Queens Center, the largest regional mall in the Borough with over 200 nationally known retailers and branches of major department stores such as Macy's and J.C. Penney's. Close by is Queens Place with Target and other major retailers. Queens Boulevard has seen new mid-rise residential developments close to Broadway.

Business Development Organizations

Corona C.A.N (Community Action Network)

40-28 National Street OR
39-19 103rd Street
Corona 11368
Phone: (718) 779-4468
Fax: (718) 429-0026
Email: rubendpena@gmail.com

Chambers of Commerce /Merchants Associations

Junction Boulevard Merchants Association

37-50 Junction Boulevard
Corona 11368
Phone: (718) 899-6563
Fax: (718) 424-4471

Lefrak City Merchants Association

P.O. Box 730634
Elmhurst 11373
Phone: (718) 271-4309
Fax: (718) 271-6841

COMMUNITY BOARD 5

**Ridgewood, Maspeth, Glendale,
Middle Village, South Elmhurst**

Located in the southwest portion of the Borough, the commercial thoroughfares of Myrtle Avenue, Metropolitan Avenue and Fresh Pond Road are the main streets of the community. Maspeth is the home to a large industrial community with access to the New York & Atlantic freight line. The proximity of the Long Island and Brooklyn Queens Expressways benefit many trucking and distribution businesses.

The Shops at Atlas Park have provided additional retail opportunities.

Business Development Organizations

West Maspeth Local Development Corporation

53-145 63rd Street
Maspeth 11378
Phone: (718) 639-2809
Fax: (718) 651-5175

Maspeth Industrial Development Corporation

2 Galasso Place
Maspeth NY, 11378
Phone: (516) 433-0333

Ridgewood Local Development Corporation

60-82 Myrtle Avenue
Ridgewood 11385
Phone: (718) 366-3806
Email: Ridgewoodldc@aol.com
Web: www.ridgewood-ny.com

Business Improvement Districts

Myrtle Avenue District Management Association

59-09 Myrtle Avenue
Ridgewood 11385
Phone: (718) 381-7974
Fax: (718) 381-7080
Email: myrtleavenuebid@aol.com

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

Elmhurst Chamber of Commerce

87-02 Queens Blvd.
Elmhurst 11373

Fresh Pond Chamber of Commerce

67-09 Fresh Pond Road
Ridgewood, NY 11385
Phone: (718)821-6235
Fax: (718)628-6689

Glendale Chamber of Commerce

1-04 Myrtle Avenue
Glendale 11385
Tel: (718) 456-2389

Maspeth Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 780265
Maspeth 11378
Phone: (718) 779-1111
Fax:(718) 335-7135
Email: lmsfjs@aol.com

Middle Village Chamber of Commerce (located at Astoria Federal Bank)

74-12 Metropolitan Avenue
Middle Village 11379
Phone: (718) 894-7272

COMMUNITY BOARD 6
Forest Hills, Rego Park

Centrally located, these communities on Queens Boulevard are primarily residential, but have strong retail and office districts. In Rego Park, east of the Long Island Expressway, the recently opened Rego Center with Costco, Century 21 and other national chains join the nearby Sears and Marshall's on 63rd Drive, which in itself is a strong local shopping district. Forest Hills, in addition to being home of historic Forest Hills Gardens, is anchored by Austin Street, an active thoroughfare with shopping, restaurants and entertainment. Metropolitan Avenue at the southern boundary provides local shopping and dining.

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Association

Forest Hills Chamber of Commerce

P O Box 751123
Forest Hills 11375
Phone: (718) 268-6565
Email: fhchamber@aol.com
Web: www.foresthillschamber.org or www.shopforesthills.com

Metro-Forest Chamber of Commerce

105-11 Metropolitan Avenue
P.O. Box 4038 Parkside Station
Forest Hills 11375
Phone: (718) 263-2526
Fax: (718) 263-2160

COMMUNITY BOARD 7

**Flushing, College Point, Whitestone, Bay Terrace,
Malba, Beechurst, Queensboro Hill,
Willets Point**

The largest commercial hub in northern Queens, downtown Flushing is one of the original settlements dating back to the New Amsterdam. Home of the Flushing Remonstrance, a document requesting religious tolerance, the community has been home to people from all over the globe since its founding. In downtown new retail and residential towers have risen near the Main Street corridor. Skyview Parc on College Point Boulevard is the newest development. Flushing Commons, at the site of the Municipal Parking Lot, will bring new residential, retail, cultural and recreational opportunities as well as affordable housing.

College Point, near the Whitestone Expressway, is home to the New York City Economic Development Corporation Corporate Park and in the near future the new Police Academy. Development along 20th Avenue brought national retail

chains and new office development to the community. Willets Point, west of downtown Flushing and across the Flushing River, is poised for new development that will include housing, retail and recreational components.

Kinray, Inc., a pharmaceutical distributor in Whitestone with over 1,000 employees, is one the Borough's largest privately-held companies.

Economic Development Center

One Flushing

39-01 Main Street Suite 509
Flushing, NY 11354
Phone: (646) 783-8985
John@oneflushing.org

Business Development Corporations

Flushing/Willets Point/Corona LDC

41-61 Kissena Blvd. Suite B
Flushing NY11354
Phone: (718) 670-1781
Fax: (718) 661-7370

Business Improvement Districts

The Downtown Flushing Transit Hub Business Improvement District

30-01 Main Street, Suite 507
Flushing 11354
Phone: (718) 888-1805
Fax: (718) 888-1248
Email: info@flushingbid.com
Web: www.flushingbid.com

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

College Point Board of Trade

14-15 College Point Blvd.
College Point 11356
Phone: (718) 939-3393
Fax: (718) 539-1432
Email: BDTrade@aol.com
Web: www.collegepoint.org

Flushing Chamber of Commerce

Flushing Chamber of Commerce
136-29 38th Avenue
Flushing, NY 11354
Tel: (718) 358-3200
Fax: (718) 358-4400

Flushing Chinese Business Association

40-48 Main Street, Suite 302
Flushing 11354
Phone: (718) 353-2320
Fax: (718) 353-1092

Flushing Development Center

133-31 39th Ave., Suite C-13

Flushing 11354

(718) 358-9737

Email: flushingdevelopmentcenter@yahoo.com

Whitestone Merchants Association

Vincent Poppa, President

12-61 150th Street

Whitestone, 11357

Phone (718) 767-3148

Willetts Point Business Association

129-02 Northern Boulevard

Corona 11368

Phone: (718) 478-8000 ext: 7

COMMUNITY BOARD 8

**Kew Gardens Hills, Utopia, Fresh Meadows,
Hillcrest, Briarwood, Jamaica Hills,
Jamaica Estates, Holliswood, Flushing South**

Union Turnpike, Main Street and 188th Street are the commercial area for these residential communities. St. John University, and nearby Queens College are two of the leading educational institutions in the Borough and are significant employers. The Fresh Meadows housing complex, one of many developed by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company after World War II, combines garden apartment, mid and high rise homes as well as a retail area near the Long Island Expressway.

Merchants Associations**Fresh Meadow Lane Merchants Association**

68-15 Fresh Meadow Lane

Fresh Meadows 11365

Phone: (718) 939-1657

Fax: (718) 358-4969

Union Turnpike Merchants Association

Wendy Marsh, President

180-12 Union Turnpike

Flushing 11366

Phone: (718) 380-5353

Web: www.utma.org

Email: info@utma.org

COMMUNITY BOARD 9

Richmond Hill, Woodhaven, Kew Gardens

These three older communities are close by to Forest Park, one of the largest tracts of wooded recreation area in the Borough. Jamaica Avenue serves as the

major commercial strip for Richmond Hill and Woodhaven, while Lefferts Boulevard is the center of Kew Gardens. Kew Gardens is also the county seat with Borough Hall and Criminal Court located on Queens Boulevard.

Business Development Organizations

Greater Woodhaven Development Corporation

(c/o Woodhaven BID)

84-01 Jamaica Avenue

Woodhaven 11421

Phone: (718) 805-0202

Fax: (718) 805-2929

Web: www.woodhavenbid.com

Email: gwdcbid@hotmail.com

Business Improvement Districts

Woodhaven Business Improvement District (c/o Greater Woodhaven Development Corporation)

84-01 Jamaica Avenue

Woodhaven 11421

Phone: (718) 805-0760

Fax: (718) 805-2929

Email: gwdcbid@hotmail.com

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

Richmond Hill East Business Persons, Inc.

134-11 Hillside Avenue

Richmond Hill 11418

Phone: (718) 291-4838

Fax: (718) 291-4910

Email: butler291@aol.com

COMMUNITY BOARD 10

**Ozone Park, South Ozone Park, Lindenwood, Howard Beach,
South Richmond Hill, Rockwood Park**

Comprised of primarily residential neighborhoods, the major thoroughfares of Woodhaven and Crossbay Boulevards, 101st and Atlantic Avenue are home to many retail and commercial businesses. Rockaway Boulevard is the site of Aqueduct Racetrack where plans to develop new gambling venues, hotels and retail, are under discussion

Business Development Organizations

Rockaway Boulevard Local Development Corporation

142-11 Rockaway Boulevard

South Ozone Park 11420

Phone:(718)-323-6039

Fax:(718)-323-6257

E:mail:jrk424@hotmail.com

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

East Rockaway Boulevard Merchants Association

131-15 Rockaway Boulevard
South Ozone Park 11420
Phone: 718 322-4280

COMMUNITY BOARD 11

**Bayside, Auburndale, Oakland Gardens,
Little Neck, Douglaston, East Flushing,
Hollis Hills**

Bayside is the largest community in the area and the center of economic activity. The Bell Boulevard commercial corridor is home to many small shops. At the northern end in adjunct Bay Terrace, the shopping center has many nationally known chain stores and restaurants. Housing is primarily one and town family with garden apartment complexes and high rise developments near the Throgs Neck Bridge. Fort Totten is an historic recreational and cultural venue south of the bridge.

Business Improvement Districts

Bayside Business Improvement District

(Contact Bayside Business Association for more info)

Merchants Associations

Bayside Business Association

41-16 Bell Blvd.
Bayside 11361
Phone: (718) 229-2277
Fax: (718) 428-6379
Email: info@baysideBA.com
Web: www.baysideba.com

Bayside Hills Merchants Association

47-28 Bell Boulevard
Bayside 11361

Oakland Gardens Merchants Association

61-07 Springfield Boulevard.
Bayside 11364

COMMUNITY BOARD 12

**Jamaica, South Jamaica, Hollis, St. Albans,
Addesleigh Park, Springfield Gardens**

Downtown Jamaica is in the largest community board in the Borough. As a transportation, retail and governmental hub, Jamaica Center plays a crucial role in the Borough's economy. One of the original settlements in Queens, it is anchored by historic Rufus King Manor and Park. Four subway lines, the Long

Island Rail Road and the Airtrain to JFK International Airport are vital transit corridors. The focus of over 30 years of economic development programs, Jamaica Center is an active and growing community. The Jamaica Avenue retail corridor stretches from Sutphin Boulevard to 168th Street. The first major economic developments projects; the Social Security Building and York College in the 1970's were followed in the 1990's with the FDA building and new courthouses. Plans for the Airtrain station area include commercial, retail and hotel development. New housing, most notably the former family courthouse, rebuilt as Moda, an apartment house, brings contemporary residences to downtown. Additional multi unit housing and hotels have been developed in the vicinity. Plans need to be determined for the former Mary Immaculate Hospital, a large site fronting King Park.

The Long Island Rail Road, which is on of the largest employers in Queens with over 4,000 people, is based in Jamaica. Industrial development, south of the Long Island Rail Road includes manufacturing, distribution. Further south is JFK International Airport which provides thousands of on and off airport jobs including cargo, freight and import/export businesses.

York College, itself an economic development generator, partners with both the Food & Drug Administration and the aviation industry on educational and internship programs.

The residential communities south of Jamaica include Hollis, St Albans and Springfield Gardens and historic Addesleigh Park. The commercial streets include Merrick Boulevard where, through the efforts of Allen AME Church, there is new housing and shops. Linden Boulevard in St. Albans is a busy commercial thoroughfare and the home of the St. Albans Veteran's Hospital. At Hollis Avenue and Francis Lewis Boulevard, the Hollis Center Mall was one of the first public-private commercial revitalization partnerships in New York City.

Development Organizations

Greater Jamaica Development Corporation

90-04 161st Street
Jamaica 11432
Phone: (718) 291-0282
Fax: (718) 658-1405
Email: ctowery@gjdc.org
Web: www.gjdc.org

Farmer's Boulevard CDC

111-20 Farmers Blvd.
St. Albans, NY 11412
Tel: 718 262-0881
Fax: 718 732-2655
www.farmersblvd.org

Hollis Local Development Corporation

Business Improvement Districts

Jamaica Center Business Improvement District

90-50 Parsons Boulevard Suite 402
Jamaica 11432
Phone: (718) 526-2422
Fax: (718) 526-0215
Web: www.jamaicacenter.org
Email: info@jamaicacenter.org

Sutphin Boulevard Business Improvement District

89-00 Sutphin Boulevard, Suite 305D
Jamaica 11435
Phone: (718) 291-2110
Fax: (718) 291-2109
Email: info@sutphinblvdbid.org
Web: <http://www.sutphinblvdbid.org>

165th Street Mall Improvement Association/180th Street BID (c/o Jamaica Arts Center)

161-04 Jamaica Avenue
Jamaica 11432
Phone: (718) 298-5489
Fax: (718) 658-7922
Email: Mall165@hotmail.com

Chambers of Commerce/Business Associations

Jamaica Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 312010
Jamaica 11431
Phone: (718) 657-4800
Fax: (718) 413-2325
Email: jamaicachamber@aol.com

St. Albans Chamber of Commerce

Allen Pope, President
193-17 Linden Boulevard
St. Albans 11412
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JFK Chamber of Commerce

Rudy Auslander, Executive Director
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Jamaica 11430
Phone: (718) 746-0212/ (718) 656-6664
Web: www.jfk-airport.org

COMMUNITY BOARD 13

Queens Village, Glen Oaks, New Hyde Park,

**Bellerose, Cambria Heights, Laurelton,
Rosedale, Floral Park, Springfield Gardens, Bellaire**

At the eastern border of the Borough, these communities are suburban in character with many one and two family homes, garden apartment complexes and some mid-high rise development. Most of the communities have their local convenience shopping strips that provide neighborhood services. Long Island Jewish/North Shore Hospital spanning the Queens-Nassau border is a one of the regions largest health care providers with over 3,500 employees. In the southern portion, Merrick and Linden Boulevards are local shopping streets.

Development Organizations

Cambria Heights Development Corporation

223-12 Linden Blvd
Cambria Heights, 11411
Phone: (718) 949-5181
Email: mdiv1215@aol.com
Web: <http://www.chdcqueens.org>

Mission: The Cambria Heights Development

Joint Bellerose Business District Development Corporation

50 Superior Road
Bellerose 11001
Phone: (516) 352-6415
Email: info@bellerosebusiness.org
Web: www.bellerosebusiness.org

Laurelton, Rosedale, & Springfield Gardens Local Development Corporation

232-18 Merrick Boulevard
Laurelton, NY 11413
Phone: (718) 928-5310
Fax: (718) 977-9100
Email: ldclrs@ldclrs.org
Web: www.ldclrs.org

Queens Village Local Development Corporation

PO Box 280706
Queens Village 11429
Phone: (718) 217-5217
Email: laurence@xelmedia.com
Web: www.queensvillageldc.org

COMMUNITY BOARD 14

The Rockaways, Rockaway Point, Breezy Point, Roxbury, Neponsit, Belle Harbor, Rockaway Park, Seaside, Broad Channel, Hammels, Sommerville, Edgemere, Arverne, Bayswater, Wavecrest, Far Rockaway, Rockaway Beach

The Rockaway peninsula, comprising over a dozen distinct communities, is the longest continuous oceanfront in New York City. As summer resort in the early 1900's, it was dotted with hotels and seasonal bungalows. Rockaway has changed, especially in the last two decades. Community groups are working to strengthen and build the Far Rockaway commercial district around Beach 20th Street. Arverne East, a large housing development, is planned for the Beach 30's. In and around this area are many in-fill and affordable housing developments. Further west in the Beach 60's and 70's Arverne-by-the Sea, opened in 2005 is one of the Borough's newest planned communities with a variety of housing ranging from two family attached homes to condominiums. Additional development at Arverne by the Sea will include a supermarket, YMCA and other retail and commercial ventures. Rockaway Park and Belle Harbor have seen new residential developments that take advantage of the oceanfront locations. As the population grows ferry service has been initiated to and from Manhattan.

Local organizations such as the Joseph P. Addabbo Health Center and the Rockaway Waterfront Alliance and other groups are working to enhance health, educational and recreational opportunities for residents of the peninsula. Riis Park is part of the Gateway National Park.

Madeleine Chocolate, one of the largest candy manufacturers in the City, is located in Rockaway Beach

Development Organizations

Ocean Bay Community Development Corporation

434 Beach 54th Street
Arverne 11692
Phone: (718) 945-8640
Fax: (718) 945-8642
Email: obcdc1@nyc.rr.com

Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation

1920 Mott Avenue 2FL
P.O. Box 1400
Far Rockaway 11691
Phone: (718) 327-5300
Fax: (718) 327-4990
Email: kalexander@rdrc.org
Web: www.rdrc.org

Chambers of Commerce/Merchants Associations

Beach 129th Street Merchant Association

412 Beach 129th Street
Rockaway Park, 11694
Phone: (718) 474-9364

Chamber of Commerce of the Rockaways

253 Beach 116th Street
Far Rockaway 11694

Phone: (718) 634-1300
Fax: (718) 634-9623
Email: rockawaychamber@aol.com
Web: www.rockawaychamberofcommerce.com

Coalition for Far Rockaway

15-25 Central Avenue
Far Rockaway, 11691

Rockaway Park Business Development Association

425 Beach 123rd Street
Rockaway Park, 11694

BOROUGH-WIDE & REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Queens Economic Development Corporation

120-55 Queens Blvd., Room 309
Kew Gardens, NY 11424
Tel: (718) 263-0546
Fax: (718) 263-0594
www.discoverqueens.infor

Association of Minority Enterprises of New York (AMENY)

135-20 Liberty Avenue, 2nd Floor
Richmond Hill, NY 11419
Tel: (718) 291-1641
Fax: (718) 291-1887

Caribbean-American Chamber of Commerce

Brooklyn Navy Yard
Brooklyn, NY 11205
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Fax: (718) 834-9774

Guyanese & American Business and Professional Council

109-46 Van Wyck Expressway
South Ozone Park, NY 11420
Tel: 718 301-6272
Web: www.gabpc.org
Email info@gabpc.org

Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

76-11 37th Avenue, Suite 203
Jackson Heights, NY 11372
Tel: (718) 899-4418
Fax: (718) 899-5998

Korean-American Small Business Service Center

146-03 34th Avenue
Flushing, NY 11354

Tel: (718) 886-5533
Fax: (718) 886-8835

New York State Chapter of the National Association of Minority Contractors

Brooklyn Navy Yard
63 Flushing Avenue, Unit 310
Brooklyn, NY 11205
Tel: (718) 246-8380
Fax: (718) 246-8376

Queens Borough Chamber of Commerce

75-20 Astoria Blvd., Room 140
Jackson Heights, NY 11370
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Fax: (718) 898-8599
www.queenschamber.org
Email: info@queenschamber.org

Regional Alliance

The Port Authority Bus Terminal
625 8th Avenue, North Wing, Second Floor
New York, NY 10018
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Fax: 212-268-7509
www.regional-alliance.org

Business Assistance & Counseling

Agencies can provide assistance and/or direct you to other business resources.

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Tel: (718) 263-0546 Fax: (718) 263-0594
www.discoverqueens.info

Counseling and classes through the Entrepreneurial Assistance Program, SBA Women's Business Center, Business Blueprint Series, Neighborhood Development/Commercial Revitalization, Discover Queens Marketing & Tourism; M/WBE Certification assistance Administrator of the Entrepreneur's Space - A Food & Business Incubator

Asian Women in Business

42 Broadway, Suite 10004
New York, NY 10004
Tel: (212) 868-1368 Fax: (212) 868-1373
www.awib.org
Email: info@awib.org
Counseling primarily for Asian business women

Asian Americans for Equality

108 Norfolk Street
New York, NY 10002

Queens Office: 133-04 39th Ave., Flushing

Tel: (212) 979-8381 Fax: (212) 979-8386

www.aafe.org

Counseling in English, Mandarin, Cantonese and Korean

BOC Network (Business Outreach Center)

9611 40th Rd,

Flushing, NY 11368

(718) 205-3621

www.bocnet.org

Email: info@bocnet.org

Counseling primarily for low income entrepreneurs

Chinatown Manpower Project, Inc.

125 Canal Street, Suite 302

New York, NY 10002

Tel: (212) 966-7328

www.cmpny.org

E-mail: cmpinfo@cmpny.org

Entrepreneurship classes in Chinese

Industrial & Technology Assistance Corporation (ITAC)

253 Broadway, Room 302

New York, NY 10007-2300

Tel: (212) 442-2990 Fax: (212) 442-4567

www.itac.org

Counseling; marketing & site assistance to the industrial/manufacturing sector

Jamaica Business Resource Center

90-33 161st Street

Jamaica, NY 11432

Tel: (718) 206- 2255 Fax: (718) 206-3693

www.jbrc.org

Email: jbrc@jbrc.org

Counseling; entrepreneurial training; access to loan information & procurement assistance

National Association for Women Business Owners (NAWBO)

171 Madison Ave., Suite 1308

New York, NY 10016

Tel: (212) 252-1100 Fax: (212) 252-1800

www.nawbonyc.org

Email: info@nawbonyc.org

Membership organization providing counseling for women-owned business

Nonprofit Coordinating Committee of New York

1350 Broadway No. 1801

New York, NY 10018

Tel: (212) 502-4191 Fax: (212) 502-4189

www.npccny.org

Email: earnest@npccny.org

Business assistance for non-profit organizations

Queens Business Solutions Center

168-46 91st Avenue, 2nd Floor

Jamaica, NY 11432

Tel: 311 – ask for “business solutions center in Queens”

www.nyc.gov/smallbiz

Counseling; human resource aid/recruitment/placement; marketing; tax planning & site selection assistance

Small Business Development Center at LaGuardia Community College/CUNY

29-10 Thomson Avenue 9th Floor

Long Island City, NY 11101

Tel: (718) 482- 5303 Fax: (718) 609-2091

www.laguardia.nyssbdc.org

Email: sbdc@lagcc.cuny.edu

Counseling; entrepreneurial training & access to loan information

Small Business Development Center at York College/CUNY

94-50 159th Street

Jamaica, NY 11451

Tel: (718) 262-2880 Fax: (718) 262-2881

<http://www.nyssbdc.org/Centers/centers.cfm?centid=22>

Email: sbdc@york.cuny.edu

Counseling; entrepreneurial training & access to loan information

SCORE, Counselors to America’s Small Business

<http://www.scorenyc.org/>

Email: info@scorenyc.org

26 Federal Plaza

New York, NY 10278

Tel: (212) 264-4507 Fax: (212) 264-4963

Counseling; information on SBA loan and loan guarantee programs

Small Business Initiative of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York: Neighborhood Entrepreneur Project

42 West 44th Street

New York, NY 10035

Tel: (212) 382-6600 Fax : (212) 768-0769

www.abcnyc.org/CityBarFund/SmallBusinessInitiative.htm

Legal counseling to qualified businesses

Thylin Oltchick Institute for Women’s Entrepreneurship @ FECS

80 Van Dam Street @ 315 Hudson Street, First Floor

New York, NY 10013

Tel: (212) 366-0033 Fax: (212) 524-1791

www.yourfutureinbusiness.org

Email: fgershon@fecs.org

Counseling

Education Programs for Businesses

The following organizations can provide education and training.

CUNY

Queens College www.qc.cuny.edu/pcs/CorporateTraining/Pages/default.aspx

York College www.york.cuny.edu

LaGuardia Community College www://ace.laguardia.edu/cce

Queensborough Community College www.qcc.cuny.edu

National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship

120 Wall Street, 29th Floor

New York, NY 10005

Tel: (212) 232- 3333 Fax: (212) 232-2244

www.nfte.com

Entrepreneurial education for young people

NYC Administration for Children's Services - Teenage Services Act Program (TASA)

165-15 Archer Avenue, 4th Floor

Jamaica NY 11433

Tel: (718) 481-5700

www.nyc.gov (search for ACS)

Education & job skills training for teenage parents

NYC Department of Education Office of Adult & Continuing Education

Queens Offices

42-15 Crescent Street, 7th Floor

Long Island City, NY 11101

Tel: (718) 793- 0672 (718) 658-2626

www.AdultEDNYC.com

Adult education & technical training

89-31 161st Street, Suite 508

Jamaica, NY 11432

NYS SBDC

Office of Entrepreneurial Education

22 Corporate Woods Building, 3rd Floor

Albany, NY 12246

Tel: (518) 641-0616

Support for educators on entrepreneurship

Queens Women's Center

120-55 Queens Blvd., Room 325

Kew Gardens, NY 11424

Tel: (718) 793-0672 Fax: (718) 352-7234

www.cwny.org

Email: centerwny@yahoo.com

Educational resources and classes for women

Workshop in Business Opportunities

55 Exchange Place

New York, NY 10005

Tel: (212) 684-0854 Fax: (212) 684-1096

www.wibo.org

Email: akajunju@wibo.org

Entrepreneurial training program

Employment/Job Development

The following organizations can help in finding a job or getting additional skills.

College Opportunity to Prepare for Employment (COPE)

Queensborough Community College/CUNY
222-05 56th Avenue/ Library Building Room 440
Bayside, NY 11364
Tel: (718) 281-5174 Fax: (718) 281-5117
www.qcc.cuny.edu/COPE/
Job skills training for public assistance recipients

Council for Airport Opportunities

90-04 161st St
Jamaica, NY 11432
Tel: (718) 523-7100 Fax: (718) 526-3472
www.caony.com
Job referral for the aviation Industry

Dress for Success

32 E. 31st St.
New York, NY 10016

Local office:

116-06 Merrick Blvd
Jamaica, NY 11434
Tel: (718) 949-7179 Fax: (718) 949-7396
www.dressforsuccess.org
Email: newyork@dressforsuccess.org
Clothing; job readiness training & classes for women

Latin American Workers Project, Inc.

840 Broadway & Park Ave., 3rd Floor
Brooklyn, New York 11206
Tel: (718) 486-0800 Fax: (718) 486-3835
Assistance to day laborers

Lexington Vocational Services Center

30th Ave. & 75th Street
Jackson Heights, NY 11370
Tel: (718) 350-3300 (718) 350-3056 Fax: (718) 899-9846 (both are TTY)
www.lexnyc.com
Email: generalinfo@lexnyc.org
Employee/employer assistance for the deaf/special needs; ADA staff training

Queens Workforce1 Career Center

168-46 91st Avenue, 2nd Floor

Jamaica, New York 11432

Tel: (718) 557-6755 Fax: (718) 297-6395

www.nyc.gov/workforce1

Employment Services for employees & employers; career counseling; training

Energy Assistance

The following groups can help answer your questions about energy usage and billing.

Con Edison

www.coned.com

Financial incentive and cost-saving programs - to learn more, log on to their business services section

National Grid

<http://www.nycedc.com/FinancingIncentives/DiscountedEnergyPrograms/NationalGrid/Pages/NationalGrid.aspx#0>

Financial incentive and cost-saving programs - for contacts and to learn more, log on to their business services section

New York Energy Smart Loan Fund

485 7th Avenue, 10th Floor, Suite 1006

New York, NY 10018

Tel: (212) 971-5342 Fax: (212) 971-5349

www.nyserda.org

Financial incentive, loans and cost-saving programs for energy usage

Financial Assistance/Funding/Micro-Loans

The following agencies either provide funding or can help answer your questions and direct you to other funding outlets.

ACCION/New York

115 East 23rd Street, 7th Floor

New York, NY 10010

Tel: (212) 387-0377 Fax: (212) 387-0277

www.accionnewyork.org

Micro-loans; access to loan information & counseling

Business Center for New Americans

267 Broadway, 3rd Floor

New York, NY 10007

Tel: (646) 723-1378

www.nybcna.org

Micro-loans; counseling

CAMBA Economic Development Corporation

884 Flatbush Avenue

Brooklyn, NY 11226

Tel: (718) 282-2500 ext. 238 Fax: (718) 282-8329

www.camba.org

Small business loans; employment, education, health-related, housing, legal, social, business development and youth services

Count-Me-In Program

240 Central Park, Suite 7H

New York, NY 10019

Tel: (212) 245-1245

www.count-me-in.org

Email: info@countmein.org

Micro-loans for women-owned businesses

Grammen America, Inc.

37-66 74th Street, 2nd Floor, Suite D-1

Jackson Heights, NY 11372

Tel: (347) 325-2827

Email: info@grameenamerica.net

www.grameenamerica.com

Micro-loans and pre-business information

Greater Jamaica Development Corporation

90-04 161st Street

Jamaica, NY 11432

Tel: (718) 291-0282

Fax: (718) 658-1405

www.gjdc.org

Revolving loan Fund

Greater New York Development Corporation

45 Seaman Avenue

Bethpage, NY 11714

Tel: (866) 433-5432 Fax: (516) 433-5046

www.gnydc.org

Small business loans

Hebrew Free Loan Society

675 Third Ave. Suite 1905

New York, NY 10017

Tel: (212) 687 0188

www.hfls.org

Micro-loans

New York Business Development Corporation

633 Third Avenue, 36th Floor

New York, NY 10017

Tel: (212) 803-3674 Fax: (212) 803-3675

www.nybdc.com

Small business loans

New York City Investment Fund

One Battery Park Plaza

New York, NY 10004-1479

Tel: (212) 493-7548 Fax: (212) 344-3344

www.nycif.org

Email: proposals@nycp.org

Loan programs to expand and create jobs vital to specific New York City industry sectors

Project Enterprise

144 W. 125 St 4th Floor

New York, NY 10027

&

330 Hinsdale Street

Brooklyn, NY 11207

Tel: (718) 485-6891 Fax: (718) 346-9378

www.projectenterprise.org

Email: info@projectenterprise.org

Micro-loans; counseling

Renaissance Economic Development Corporation

1 Pike Street

New York, NY 10002

Tel: 212-964-6022

Fax: 212-964-6003

www.renaissance-ny.org

Small business loans

SEEDCO

915 Broadway, 18th Floor

New York, NY 10010

Tel: (212) 204-1300

Fax: (646) 274-1165

www.seedcofinancial.org

Small business & community development funding

Trickle-Up Program

104 West 27th Street, 12th Floor

New York, NY 10001

Tel: (212) 255-9980 Fax: (212) 255-9974

www.trickleup.org

Micro-loans

Women's Venture Fund (WVF)

545 Eight Avenue, 17th Floor SE

New York, NY 10018

Tel: (212) 563-0499 Fax: (212) 868-9116

www.womensventurefund.org

Email: info@wvf-ny.org

Micro-loans to women-owned businesses

Government Agencies

The following agencies can provide answers to your questions and direct you to other helpful programs.

Federal - Small Business Administration

26 Federal Plaza, Suite 3100

New York, NY 10278

Tel: (212) 264-4354 Fax: (212) 264-4963

www.sba.gov/ny/ny

Email: answerdesk@sba.gov

- Counseling
- Education
- Financing programs
- Procurement
- Minority/women business assistance

New York State - Empire State Development Corporation

633 Third Avenue

New York, NY 10017

www.empire.state.ny.us

- International marketing
- Government procurement
- Emerging technology resources
- Industrial effectiveness
- Minority & women-owned certification/business opportunities

New York City

Department of Small Business Services - www.nyc.gov/sbs

Economic Development Corporation - www.nycedc.com

Industrial Development Authority - www.nycedc.com/NYCIDA Email:

NYCIDA@nycedc.com

110 William Street

New York, NY 10038

Tel: 311

- Incentive programs: Industrial & Commercial Incentive Program (ICIP); Rent Abatement for Commercial & Industrial Tenants; Business Incentive Rate; Industrial Relocation Grant; Printers Relocation Fund
- Procurement
- Minority & Women-Owned Businesses Certification/Opportunities
- Bonding & Technical Assistance
- Emergency Services for businesses impacted by disasters
- Energy Cost Savings Program
- Industrial Development Authority Bond Program for both industry and not-for-profits

Licensing/permitting assistance:

DBA Business Certificates can be filed at:
Queens County Clerk
88-11 Sutphin Blvd.
Jamaica, NY 11435
Tel: (718) 520-3704

Marketing/International Business

Information on doing business internationally.

Brooklyn International Trade & Development Center

10 Jay Street
Brooklyn, NY 11201-1136
(718) 246-5299
www.brooklynexport.com
Help with export assistance

NYC Office of the Mayor

Division for International Business
2 United Nations Plaza, 27th Floor
New York, NY 10017
Tel: (212) 319-9300 Fax: (212) 319-3430
www.nyc.gov/international
Assistance to foreign-based companies

Procurement

Selling to government

LaGuardia Procurement Technical Assistance Center

31-10 Thomson Ave. B-309
Long Island City, NY 11101
Tel: (718) 482-5306
www.laGuardia-PTAC.org
Email: PTAC@lagcc.cuny.edu
Counseling and training on obtaining government contracts

LaGuardia Small Business Transportation Resource Center

31-10 Thomson Ave. B-309
Long Island City, NY 11101
Tel: (718) 482-5941
FAX: (718) 609-2036
www.osdbu.dot.gov/regional/all.cfm
Counseling and training on obtaining DOT related contracts

REFERENCE/STATISICAL INFORMATION

The following agencies provide statistical data and other reference information.

Queensborough Public Library/Business, Science & Technology Division

89-11 Merrick Blvd
Jamaica, NY 11432
Tel: (718) 990-0760 (718) 990-0700
www.queenslibrary.org

Library resources with data bases, directories etc.

Brooklyn Business Library

280 Cadman Plaza West
Brooklyn, NY 11201
Tel: (718) 623-7000 Fax: (718) 222-5679
www.biz.brooklynpubliclibrary.org
Email: busref@brooklynpubliclibrary.org

Library resources with data bases, directories etc.

New York City Department of City Planning

22 Reade Street
New York, NY 10007-1239
(212) 720-3300
www.nyc.gov/html/dcp/home.html

Demographics and census data

New York City Small Business Resource Center

(Division of the New York Public Library)
181 Madison Avenue
New York, NY 10016
Tel: (212) 592-7000
www.nypl.org/research/sibl
Resource database on organizations assisting small business

New York State Department of Labor

Harriman Campus, Building 12
Albany, NY 12240
Tel: (518) 457-9000
www.labor.state.ny.us
Monthly labor & employment statistics

United States Department of Labor: Bureau of Labor Statistics

New York Office
201 Varick Street, Room 808
New York, NY 10014
Tel: (212) 337-2400 Fax: (212) 337-2532
www.bls.gov/ro2/home.htm
National labor & regional statistics; Consumer Price Index

The Weissman Center for International Business / Zicklin School of Business

Baruch College
Tel: (646) 312-1000

SECURITY/CRIME PREVENTION

The following agencies can answer questions about crime and security.

CityWide CityLink

366 Fifth Avenue, Suite 1116

New York, NY 10001

Tel: (212) 308-2180 Fax: (212) 290-0307

www.citywide-citylink.org

Radio response network for communities

Graffiti Free NYC

NYC Economic Development Corporation

110 William Street

New York, NY 10038

Tel: (212) 619-5000

www.nycedc.com

Anti-Graffiti programs for businesses

New York Police Department

Patrol Queens North

68-40 Austin Street

Forest Hills, NY 11375

Tel: (718) 520-0697 Fax: (718) 520-9814

Crime Prevention; Anti-Graffiti Unit

SPACE

Incubators for new and growing businesses

The Entrepreneur's Space - An Incubator for Food & Businesses

36-46 37 St.

Long Island City, NY 11101

Tel: 718 392-0025

Email: mikitchen1866@aol.com

Commercial kitchens available on an hourly basis, office and cubicle space for all businesses, class and conference space for all

Jamaica Export Centre

157-11 Rockaway Boulevard

Jamaica, NY 11434

Tel: 718 413-7182

Fax: 718 413-2325

Email: Jamaica Chamber@aol.com

Incubator space for expeditors in international trade

NYDesigns Business Center at LaGuardia Community College

45-50 30th Street
Long Island City, NY 11101
Tel: (718) 663-8400 Fax: (718) 663-8390
www.NYDesigns.org
Space &resources for design related business