

We Are

The Greater Harlem Coalition is a grassroots gathering of more than 20 existing neighborhood-based Harlem and East Harlem resident associations, businesses, and faith-based organizations.

We have united to heal Harlem and promote the fair share distribution of these programs throughout all New York City boroughs and communities in order to increase geographic access to social services for our fellow citizens.

- Dorrence Brooks Property Owners & Residents Association
- The Harlem Neighborhood Block Association
- Mirada Home Owners Association
- The Mount Morris Park Community Improvement Association
- Sugar Hill Concerned Neighbors Group
- 1775 Houses Tenants Association
- West 135th Street Block Association
- The West 132nd Street Block Association
- The West 130th Street Homeowners Association
- 128th Street Block Association
- LenoxFive 127th Street Block Association
- 126th Street Block Association
- The new 123rd Street Block Association (Lenox – 7th)
- West 121st Street Block Association
- West 119th Block Association
- Neighbors United of West 132nd Street Block Association
- 97-98 Lexington & Park Ave. Neighbors
- Hamilton Terrace Block Association
- Greater Calvary Baptist Church
- Progressives Educating New Yorkers, Inc.
- Harlem Properties Inc.
- The United New Church of Christ

Parents: Fight for Harlem's Fair Share!

Every neighborhood needs treatment services for its residents. Harlem already has its fair share.

Today, Harlem has 2.5 times as many substance abuse services as our residents need.

Over 75% of the patients treated for addiction in Harlem come to Harlem from elsewhere.

Now, Mount Sinai is proposing to set up a new 2,500-patient facility on 124th street, near 24 schools.

Join our community meeting to learn how parents & students can help stand up for a safer Harlem and demand that all New York City neighborhoods do their fair share.

Thursday, April 25th, 2019
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Greater Calvary Baptist Church
55 West 124th Street
(between Lenox Ave and Fifth Ave)

Contact us:
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to learn more or join:
greaterharlem.nyc



Our Mission

The Greater Harlem Coalition (GHC) declares a moratorium on additional or expanded addiction and substance abuse programs or facilities in Harlem and East Harlem.

As neighbors, we firmly support and respect the right of people struggling with addiction to get the services they need.

However, the policy of The New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) to routinely site substance abuse programs in low-income communities of color has led to an intolerable oversaturation in Harlem and East Harlem.

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We Subscribe to the New York City Council's Fair Share Doctrine:

“Fair Share” does not just mean keeping things out of neighborhoods where they are already over-concentrated. It also means putting them in where they are under-represented.

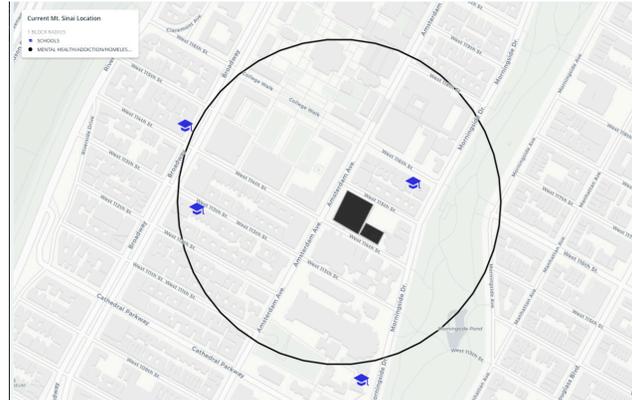
Low-income communities and communities of color still see far more than their Fair Share of local unwanted land uses (“LULUs”).

Data on the location and concentration of existing facilities is too difficult to access. As a result, there is no way to tell a genuine Fair Share claim from a simple effort to justify NIMBYism (“Not in My Back Yard”).

Too often, community residents – and even community boards, who have an official role in the process – are not aware of public siting actions that require a Fair Share analysis. Many Fair Share Statements are never made public.

From: DOING OUR FAIR SHARE, GETTING OUR FAIR SHARE. New York City Council, February 2017

Comparing the Proximity of Addiction Facilities to Schools



Current Location on W 114th Street



Proposed Location on W 124 St

Why is There a Concentration of Addiction Treatment Centers Located in Greater Harlem?

- Low property costs
- Weak community resistance
- A sincere desire among residents to support struggling neighbors and family members
- Justified as solving a low-income community of color’s problem
- Bureaucratic ‘tradition’ has defaulted to placing these facilities in Harlem
- Connections between the political class and bureaucratic and economic interests

Please sign our online petition today!

Scan this code, and fill out the simple online petition.

