



BEDFORD STUYVESANT RESTORATION CORPORATION

FORGING A GREENER CENTRAL BROOKLYN

**Weatherization Plus Health NYS Conference
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ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY MISSION

To “green” Restoration, its existing programs and the broader community and to provide local residents with on-ramps to green jobs



RETROFIT BEDFORD STUYVESANT BLOCK BY BLOCK

History of Retrofit Bed Stuy

- ✓ Partnership with Pratt Center (2009)
- ✓ Building off Success of WAP
- ✓ Strong network of Block Associations and Churches
- ✓ Chose Herkimer Street because of proximity to Restoration
- ✓ Traction on block through WAP



Support of Reverend Gaddy and Friendship Baptist Church and Block Association



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Herkimer Street Successes

- ✓ Provided 15 free home audits
- ✓ Fully Weatherized/Retrofitted 36 units
- ✓ Provided smaller retrofit measures to mo



Justice Corps participation

- ✓ Planted 49 trees
- ✓ Upgraded a community garden
- ✓ Provided construction upgrades to Friendship Baptist Church
- ✓ \$22,000 worth of investment for retrofit work alone



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Scaling Up Retrofit Bed Stuy

- ✓ 21 participating blocks and individuals from throughout the community
- ✓ 259 units in 1-4 family homes retrofitted
- ✓ \$90,100 invested in retrofits
- ✓ 75 people trained
- ✓ 190 trees planted



HOUSELIFT BY RESTORATION!

What is HouseLift?

- ✓ A vehicle for job creation with career ladders
- ✓ Fully licensed and insured general contracting firm (handyman, energy efficiency, and healthy home services)



WHAT'S NEXT?

- ✓ Determine how best to connect Restoration clients with healthy home services
 - 1) integrated pest management
 - 2) lead paint abatement
 - 3) tripping hazards
 - 4) window guards improperly installed, etc.

