Greenpoint Community Environmental Fund
General Roles and Responsibilities

This document summarizes the general roles and responsibilities of the NYS Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Environmental Conservation (the State), the State’s Outreach Consultant (OC), the General Administrator (GA), and the Community Advisory Panel (CAP) with respect to engaging and partnering with the Greenpoint community, and ensuring it has a direct, continuing role in guiding the development and implementation of the Greenpoint Community Environmental Fund (GCEF).

The State

The State, which has the ultimate decision-making responsibility with respect to the GCEF, seeks to conduct an inclusive and effective community engagement process to assist in the selection of projects that will secure significant environmental improvements for the Greenpoint community. It is the responsibility of the State to oversee the GCEF, including the activities of the GA.

Community Outreach Consultant

Enviro-Sciences Engineering/ARC Engineering and Construction (ESE), acts as an independent Outreach Consultant (OC) to the State, advising and assisting the State with respect to engaging the Greenpoint community in the development and implementation of the GCEF.

General Administrator

The GA, a partnership of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) and the North Brooklyn Development Corporation (NBDC), administers all aspects of the GCEF on behalf of the State. The GA has four major areas of responsibility: (1) grant program management; (2) fiscal and fiduciary management; (3) community engagement and collaboration (including administering the CAP); and (4) grant program tracking, record keeping, and reporting.

Community Advisory Panel

The GCEF Community Advisory Panel (CAP) provides advice to the State, the GA and the OC in relation to the community consultation and decision-making process for the Greenpoint EBP. CAP members bring their knowledge of the community’s needs and concerns to assist the State in developing and implementing the Program. CAP members also serve as ambassadors of the GCEF, sharing information on the Program within the community, soliciting input and feedback from residents on the Program’s performance, and helping the Program develop and implement community outreach activities and events, including community meetings. As a part of its active and collaborative role in developing and implementing the GCEF, the CAP ensures that issues of community interest and concern related the Program are brought to the attention of State and GA.