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**“2020 Census, Voting Rights, Redistricting & Elections:  
A Civic Engagement Agenda For  
New York’s Communities of Color”**

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# April 21, 2010 Participation Rates† for New York City Census Tracts

New York City Average = 59%

State Average = 66%

National Average = 71%

## Participation Rate (%)

	60.0 or more	(808 tracts)
	50.0 to 59.9	(755)
	45.0 to 49.9	(342)
	40.0 to 44.9	(163)
	Less than 40.0	(55)
	Fewer than 100 housing units	



**Brooklyn  
(53%)**

**Manhattan  
(66%)**

**Bronx  
(60%)**

**Queens  
(58%)**

† The participation rate is the percentage of forms mailed back by households that received them. Survey responses given by phone to Telephone Questionnaire Assistance (TQA) operators are also included. Forms returned as "undeliverable" by the U.S. Postal Service are removed prior to this calculation. Rates are shown for census tracts with at least 100 housing units. 2000 census tract boundaries are used in this analysis.

**"2020 Census, Voting Rights & Redistricting  
- A 10 Point Civic Engagement Agenda For:  
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A Commissioner, NYC Board Of Elections

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**1. 2020 Census**

- a) Questionaire (Almost Done!): Questions on Race, Ancestry, Place Of Birth etc.;
- b) Operat'l Plan (Done 1-2015): More Technology-LESS Field Staff & Offices; etc.
- c) Budgets & Contracts: Advertising, Computer-IT, Printing etc.

**2. NY Redistricting Commissions**

Re-draw Legislative Districts et.al.: Congressional, State, etc.

- a) STATE: Current: 6 Mbrs-LATFOR); and NEW: 2020 (10 mbrs.);
- b) Local (City, County, Town, School Boards etc.

**3. Monitoring Boards Of Elections**

Federal (FEC) - State (1) - Local (58+)

**4. Monitoring Gov't Election Law Committees (Fed.-State-Local)**

Federal: US Senate & House(Hons. Nadler, Jeffries) Judiciary Centes.;

US President-US DOJ-USAG; US SUPREME COURT GAME CHANGERS;

b) 1. Evenwel v. Abbott: Redistricting based on Voter Reg'n? CIVIL? - NOT Popular? Etc.

2. Shelby County, AL v. Holder: NYC/NYS IS NO LONGER Under Section 5, VRA.

3. VOTER SUPPRESSION LAWS & Actions (State & Local): Closed Alabama DMV Offices in Black Counties;

Shorter Early Voting Days & Hours (OH, FLA) -NYS has none! RESTRICTIVE VOTER ID LAWS (Texas, GA...)

c) State: Assembly(Walker, Blake etc.); Senate(Parker etc.); County, Town, City Legislatures;

EARLY VOTING: SAME DAY REGISTRATION;

**5. NYS Constitutional Convention 2016-2017**

One method to change the State Constitution. - YES/NO? Articles II & III: Voting, BOEs, Redistricting etc.

**6. Presidential Primaries & Nat'l Delegate Conventions 2015-16**

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**7. Voter Cancellations /200,000 -NYC: Non-Voting, Change of Address;**

-- Many "Cancellations" can Re-Register...!

**8. Voter Registration & Education**

Importance of Voting; Deadlines; Government Mandates(NVRA, NYS, NYC);  
Worst Demographic: 18-34 Yrs; Some Formerly Incarcerated are eligible...

**9. Polling Places: Locators, Changes, Workers**

a) Use polling Place Locators on BOE websites; or Call 800 numbers. Printed Poll Lists are easily outdated...  
b) Poll Changes may occur due to lawsuits, Election Law requirements; -- or partisan political manipulation...  
c) BOEs require a mailing, new generation of tech savvy Poll Worker SOURCES HS & College students, Govt Wkrs etc.

**10. Voter Turnout / GOTV: In November 2013 and 2014,**

NYS and NYC had the worst voter turnout in History 1 (25% & 28%)  
-- NON-PARTISAN "GOTV" IS CRITICAL !

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## **CUNY VOTES ! A HOW-TO GUIDE FOR REGISTERING TO VOTE**

Enrolling in a political party is optional. However, if you wish to vote in a political party's primary elections, you must enroll in that political party. If you switch political parties, you cannot vote in your new party's primary until after the first general election after your switch. Thus, if you switch party affiliation before the 2015 general election, you may vote in your new party's primary in 2016. However, if you switch after the 2015 general election, you cannot vote in your "new" party's primary until 2017.

### **CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION**

You will receive an official postcard from the Board of Elections in the mail indicating your election district, polling place and schedule for voting. You will also be sent a Voter's Identification Card. If either card is not received within two weeks of registering, call Board of Elections hot line, (212) VOTE-NYC.

### **WHO CAN REGISTER?**

In order to be eligible to register to vote you must be:

- A U.S. citizen by birth (anyone born in the United States or its territories, including Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam and certain Panamanians are U.S. citizens); or
- A naturalized U.S. citizen (Immigrants become U.S. citizens by "naturalization. "Naturalized U.S. citizens are foreign-born individuals who are granted citizenship by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services).
- A t least 18 years old and a New York resident for at least 30 days prior to a primary or general election
- Not currently serving time (in jail, on work release, on parole) for a felony conviction.
- You must mail or deliver registration form at least 25 days prior to an election.
- You need to register to vote if:
  - You have changed your address since the last time you voted or registered to vote
  - You wish to change your party affiliation; and/or
  - You have changed your name since last voting.
- The last day to register to vote in the primary election on September 10, 2015 by mail is August 15, 2015 and in person at the Board of Election office by August 16, 2015. The last day to register to vote in the general election on November 3, 2015 is October 9, 2015. The American Heritage Dictionary defines "voting" as the formal expression of a preference for a candidate for office or for a proposed resolution of an issue. Voting is the foundation upon which our democracy rests. The vote is our voice and it should be used loudly and regularly. Use your voice. Vote!

### **HOW DO I REGISTER?**

Registering to vote is easy to do. The City University of New York makes voter registration forms available to all CUNY students when they register for classes. Ask about voter registration and the collection of application forms at your campus.

# Overview

*Source:* 2010-2014 -5 Yr. Estimates (as of 7.1.14) Table B04006 - American Community Survey  
US Census Bureau - Release Date: June 2015. MEC CIC Report – Dr. John Flateau – 02.17.2016.  
CONTACT: 2020Census@mec.cuny.edu - 718-270-5111

## New York City - Black Ancestry - 2014:

- **178,000 - Sub-Saharan Africans**

(Rounded off.) Nigeria-22,000; Ghana-21,000; Ethiopia-4300; Senegal-3600; South Africa-2400; Liberia-2300; Sierra Leone-2000; Sudan-1100; Kenya-700; Other & Sub-Saharan-110,000.

- **664,000 - \*”West Indians”/Afro-Caribbeans**

(Non-Hispanics) Preliminary: 608,000 “West Indians” + 117,000 Guyanese (50%/50%-Afro-Indo?).  
*Not counting AFRO-LATINOS: approx. 250,000* ) \* US Census Bureau, Official Category...

Jamaica-223,000; Haiti-128,000; Trinidad & Tobago-77,000; British WI-46,000; Barbados-23,000;  
Belize-7300; US Virgin Islnds-2200; Other WI-1300; “WEST INDIAN”-109,000; Guyana-117,000.

- **765,000 – All Ancestries: “Unclassified or Not Reported...”**

- FYI, European Ancestry: 576,000-Italian; 391,000-Irish; 223,000-Russian; 208,000-Polish; etc.

## New York City - Black Population - 2013

<u>Col. 1</u>	<u>Black Pop</u> <u>Col. 2</u>	<u>Black Pct</u> <u>of Blk Pop</u> <u>Col. 3</u>	<u>Total Pop</u> <u>Col. 4</u>	<u>Black Pct</u> <u>of TOT Pop</u> <u>Col. 5</u>
Bronx	503,480	22.9%	1,418,733	35.5%
Brooklyn	911,752	41.4%	2,592,149	35.2%
Manhattan	278,923	12.7%	1,626,159	17.2%
Queens	453,999	20.6%	2,296,175	19.8%
Staten Island	52,845	2.4%	472,621	11.2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,200,999</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>8,405,837</b>	<b>26.2%</b>

Source: US Census Bureau, 2013 American Community Survey, 1 Yr Estimates.  
 Amer. Fact Finder, 801003-Tot.; B02009-Black Popula'n Alone Or In Combination...  
 Census Info. Center, Medgar Evers College, CUNY - John Flateau, PhD, Director

# 13th Annual Social Work Conference

BSSW Degree Program, Dept. Of Social and  
Behavioral Sciences  
School Of Liberal Arts and Education

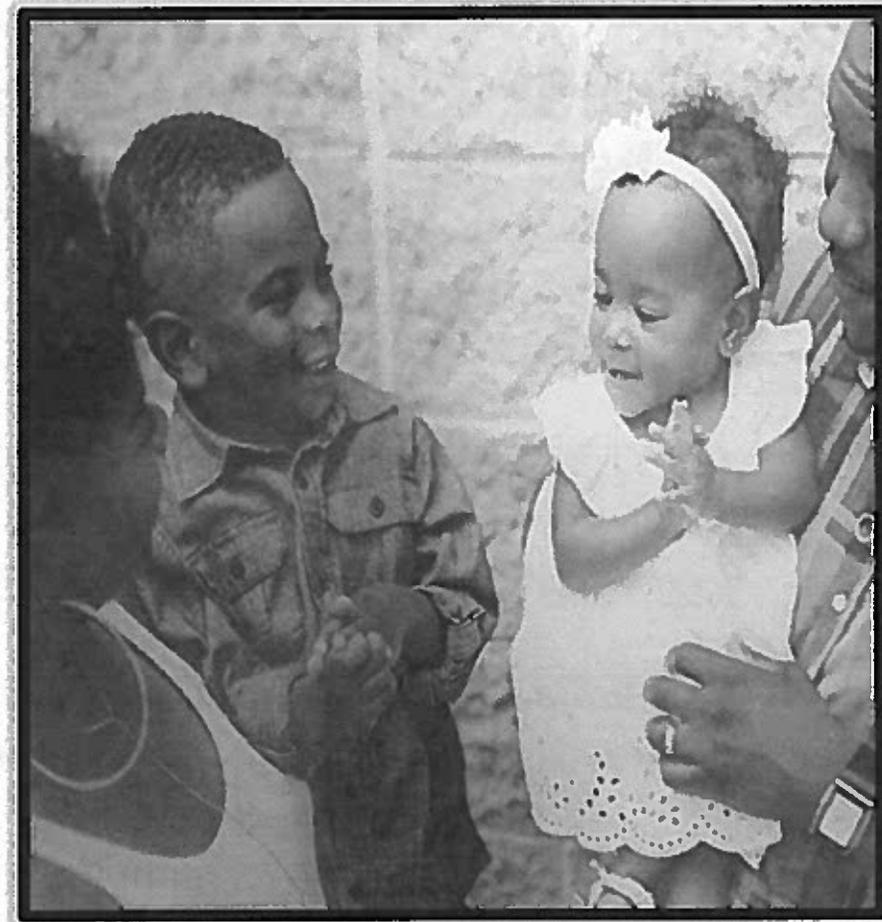
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*“ Building Resiliency  
in Children and Families ! ”*

Presentation by

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Director, US Census Information Center-DBC  
Author, *The Prison Industrial Complex*



**Founders Auditorium – March 18, 2016**

**Kids Count Data Center, Annie E. Casey Fndn: New York City, 2014:**

**1. Families with Children in Poverty:**

- a) Married Couples: 76,000-15%; b) Single Parent: 154,000-38%
- c) All Families – 230,000 – 25% d) Children in Poverty:

**2. Children in Low Income Immigrant Families: 547,000 – 56%;**

**3. Children in ALL Immigrant Families: 974,000 – 54%;**

**4. Child population by Nativity: US-Born-1.65 million-92%; Foreign-Born-147,000-8%**

**5. Immigrant children whose Parents are NOT US Citizens: 332,000 - 35%**

**6. ALL Children in Poverty: 524,000 – 30%**

**7. Immigrant Children by Parents' Birthplace: Latin Amer. (/Carib.?) = 536,000-56%**

**Asia = 252,000-26%**  
**71,000 – 7%**

**Europe = 110,000-11%**

**Africa =**

**8. Unemployed Teens, 16-19yrs or Not In Labor Force: 86%**

**9. Children w/Parents who Lack Secure Employment: 664,000 – 37%**

**10. ALSO SEE: Children's Defense Fund, "Children in the States: New York Report, 2015."**

## NYC Dept. Of Correction FY 07-14 (8 years)

NYC Comptroller's Report; and NY City Council Report, June 2, 2014

1. Expense Budget: \$945 million to \$1.1 billion (All, from FY 2007 to FY 2014)
2. Capital Budget: FY 2014-18, \$1.2 billion.
3. Cost per Inmate: \$68,000 to \$96,000 (+29% increase)
4. Inmate Popula'n (Avg. Daily): 14,000 to 11,400 (-19% decrease) *Inmate Violence increased!*
5. Corr'n Ofcr Use Of Force: 125 to 370 (Tripled! 196% incrs., per 1,000 Avg Daily Pop-ADP)
6. Correc'n Ofcrs: 9200-8,900; CO:Inmate Ratio: 0.66 to 0.78; Civilians: 1700

*Policy and Programmatic Recommend'ns: – Prof. Flateau et.al.*

**REFORMS:** NYPD: “Stop and Frisk “reforms, Body cameras, better Screening, more Diverse Promotion, Recruitment, Sensitivity training; dismantling of Riker's Island; Bail Reform; Increased Mental Health Services; Increased Youth & Adult Job Training & Employment; Improved NYC Public Schools; More Affordable Housing; Affordable CUNY Tuition; Better Services for Formerly Incarcerated; Improved Police-Com'ty Rela'ns; Better Svs. for Foster Care-Aging Out Young Adults; etc.

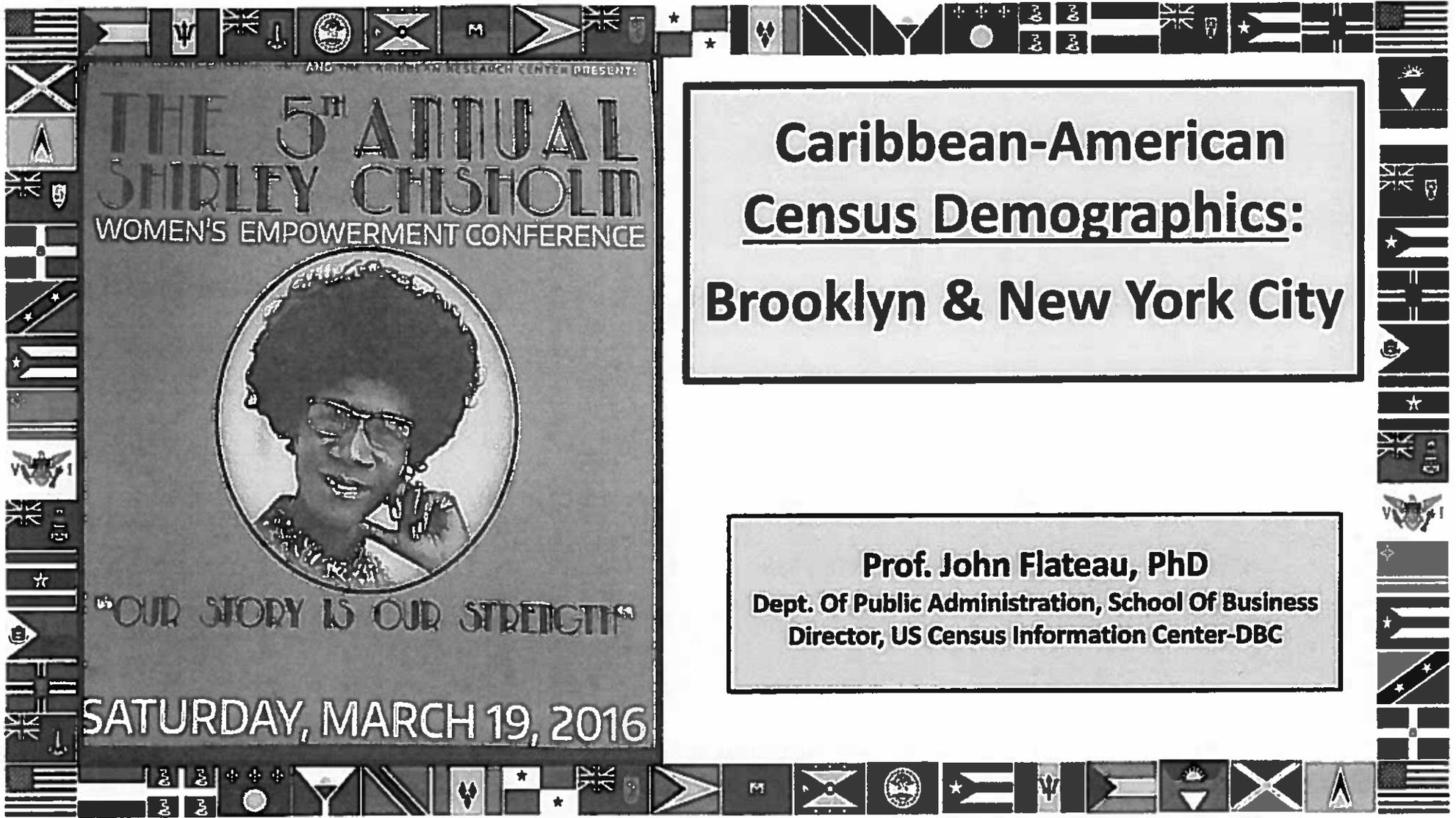
**Table No. 1 A - Brooklyn Neighborhood Socio-Demographic Indicators**

Source: NYC Dept. of Health "Community Health Profiles 2015." (Preliminary)

<u>Indicators</u>	<u>Crown Heights</u> <u>District 9</u>	<u>Brownsville</u> <u>District 16</u>	<u>East Flatbush</u> <u>District 17</u>	<u>Brooklyn</u>	<u>New York City</u>
<b>1. Race</b>	<b>69% Black</b>	<b>76% Black</b>	<b>89% Black</b>	<b>36% Black</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>2. Population</b>	<b>99,287</b>	<b>86,377</b>	<b>156,151</b>	<b>2.5 mill.***</b>	<b>8.4 mill.***</b>
<b>3. Incarceration Rate*</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>93</b>
<b>4. Violence Rate*</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>5. Substance Abuse Rates* Drugs /Alcohol</b>	<b>1,240 / 1,287</b>	<b>2,285 / 2,682</b>	<b>900 / 930</b>	<b>1,041 / 921</b>	<b>1,019 / 907</b>
<b>6. Poverty</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>21%</b>
<b>7. Unemployment</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>12%</b>		

\*Rate = Number per 100,000. \*\*Rate = Number per 1,000.

\*\*\*US Census Bureau, Amer. Com'ty Survey 2009-14.



AND THE CARIBBEAN RESEARCH CENTER PRESENT:

# THE 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHIRLEY CHISHOLM WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT CONFERENCE

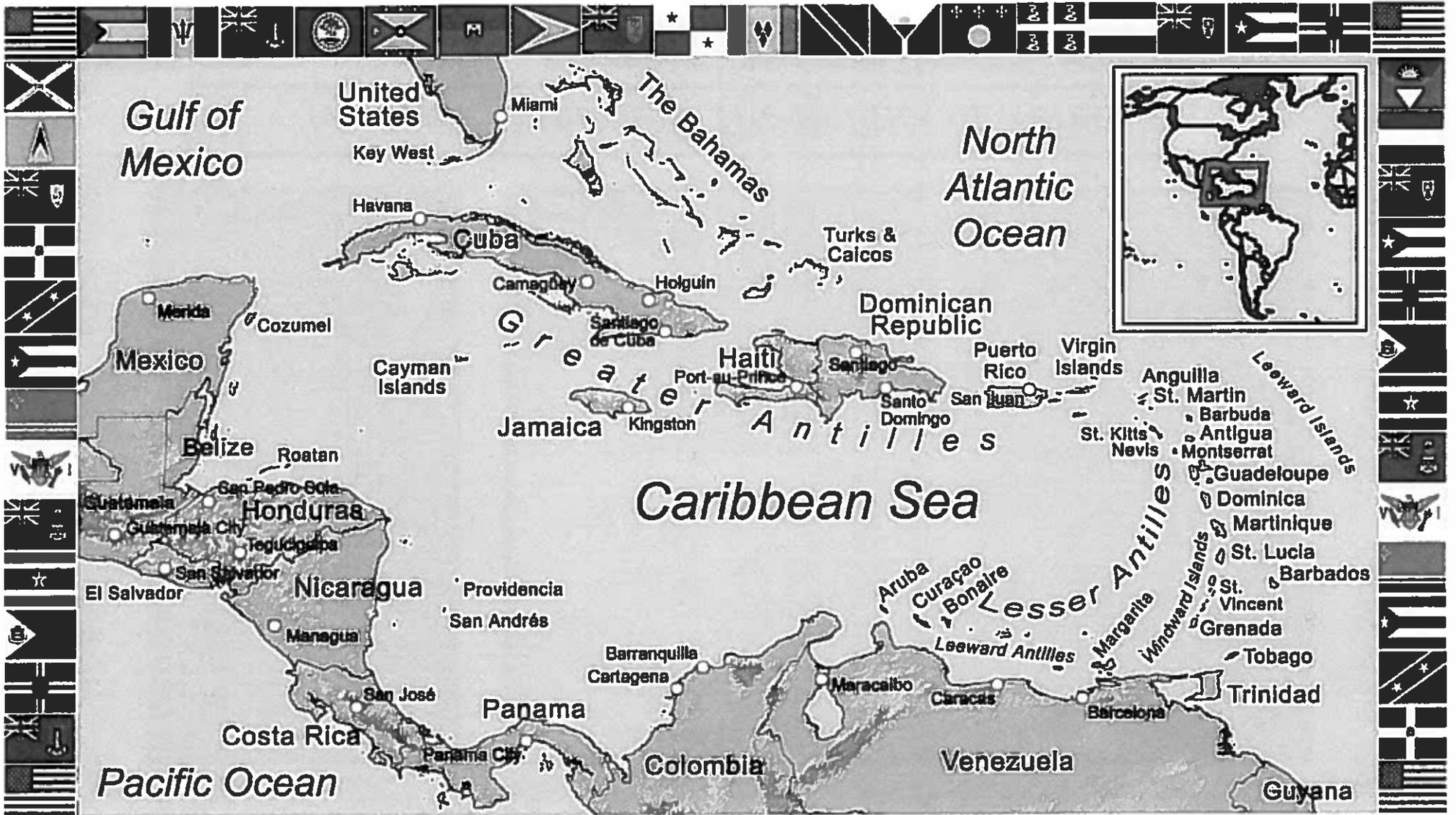


"OUR STORY IS OUR STRENGTH"

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 2016

**Caribbean-American  
Census Demographics:  
Brooklyn & New York City**

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Dept. Of Public Administration, School Of Business  
Director, US Census Information Center-DBC



Gulf of Mexico

United States

Miami

The Bahamas

North Atlantic Ocean



Key West

Havana

Cuba

Turks & Caicos

Camaguey

Holguin

Dominican Republic

Merida

Cozumel

Mexico

Cayman Islands

Jamaica

Santiago de Cuba

Haiti

Port-au-Prince

Santiago

Santo Domingo

Puerto Rico

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***“Multiple Identities - The Politics of Home...”***



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**Table No. 2 – Bkln Caribbean-Amer. Neighborhood Socio-Demographics**

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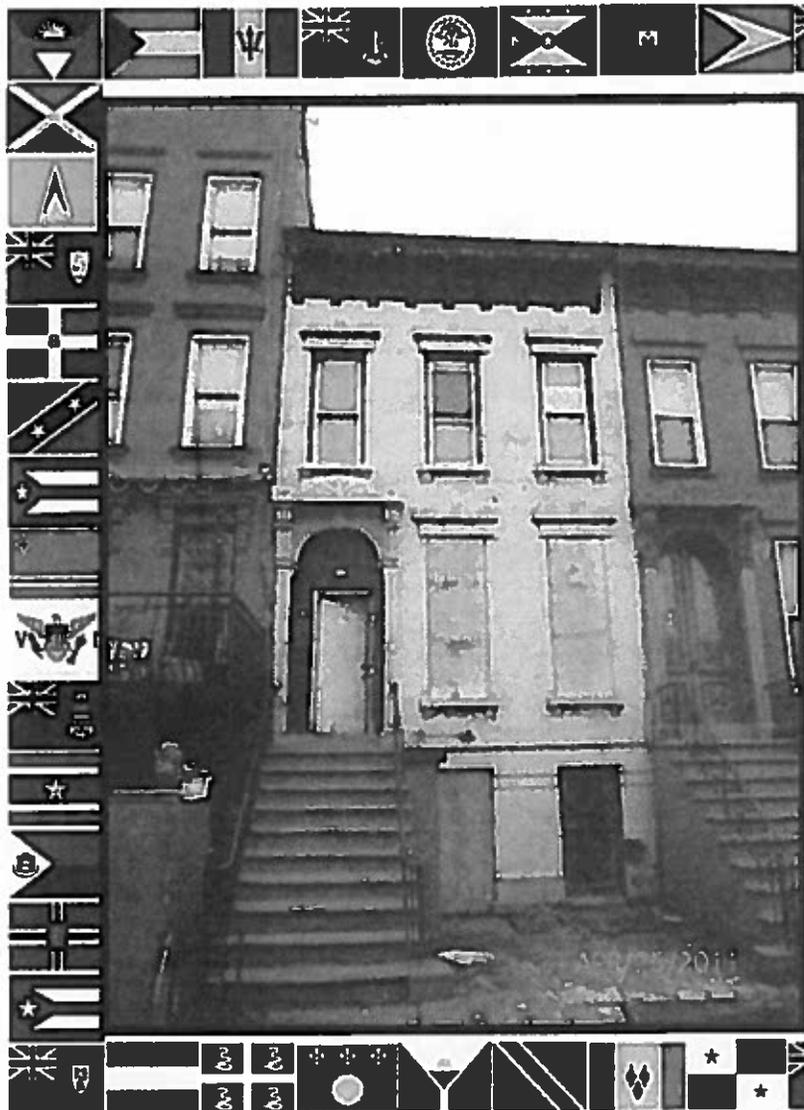
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Data Extraction: U.S. Census Information Center (CIC), DBC-MEC.

CIC Dir.: Prof. John Flateau, PhD. Res. Ass't, Cassidy Daniels.



**The Home Mortgage FORECLOSURE Crisis**

heavily impacts Black /Afro-Caribbean neighborhoods in:

**Central Brooklyn:**  
Bedford-Stuyvesant, Crown Heights, Flatbush, East Flatbush, Canarsie etc.

**South East Queens:**  
Cambria Heights, Springfield Gardens, St. Albans, Jamaica etc.;

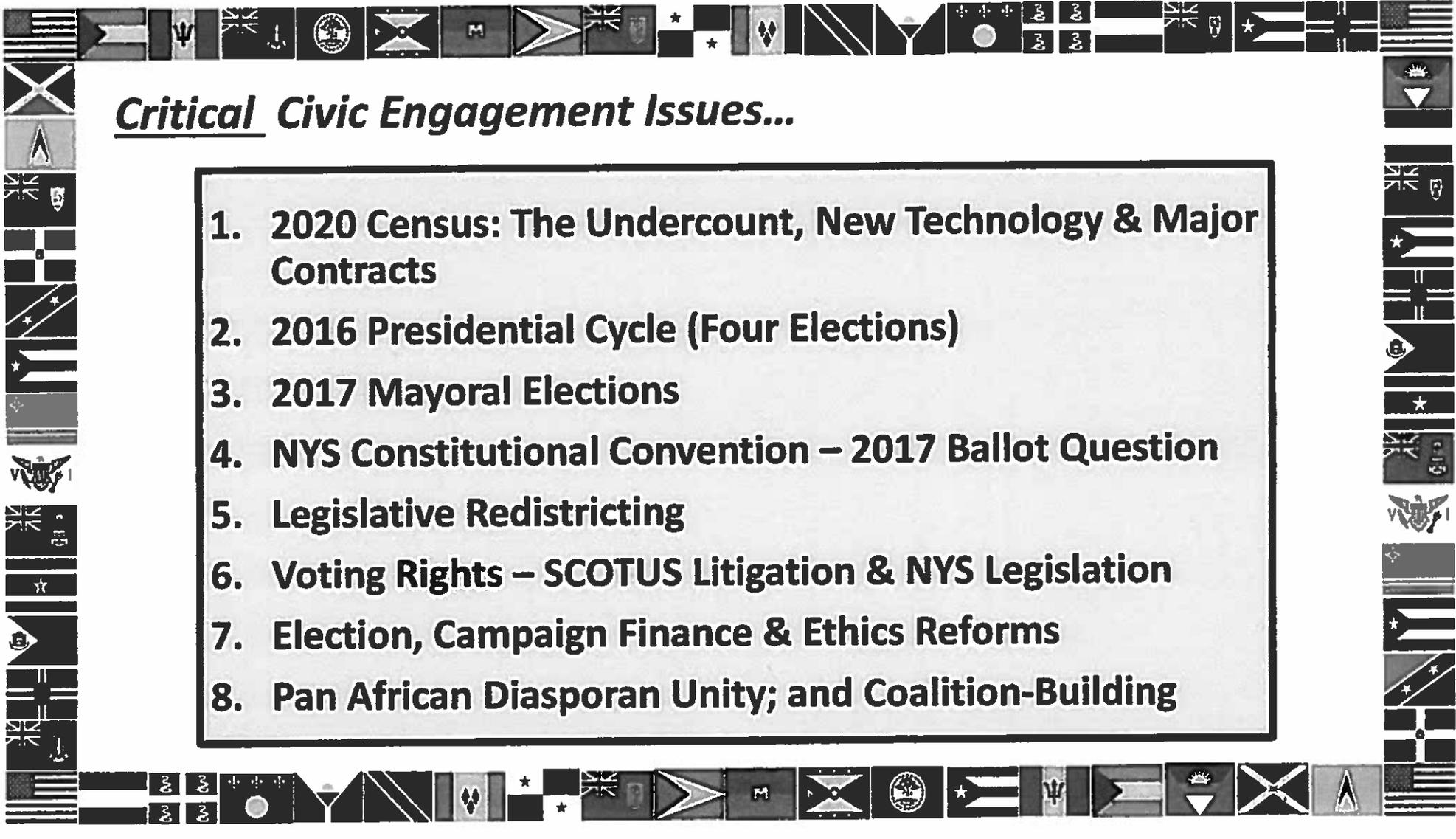
**North Bronx:**  
Wakefield, Edenwald, etc.;

Home Foreclosure Actions  
New York City - 2013



<u>US Census</u>	<u>Dr. John Flateau</u>	<u>Census Info. Cntr.</u>	<u>Bklyn</u>	<u>Caribbean</u>	<u>Census-Demog. &amp;</u>	<u>Citizenship</u>	<u>ACS 2006-2010</u>	<u>TOP 5</u>	<u>GROUPS</u>	<u>(Not ALL)</u>
<u>TOTAL Popula'n</u>	<u>HAITIAN</u>		<u>JAMAICA</u>		<u>TRINIDAD</u>		<u>BARBADOS</u>		<u>GUYANA</u>	
<u>252,000</u>	<u>70,000</u>		<u>81,000</u>		<u>47,000</u>		<u>15,000</u>		<u>39,000</u>	
<u>HSHLDS:</u>	<u>23,000</u>		<u>31,000</u>		<u>19,000</u>		<u>7,100</u>		<u>14,300</u>	
<u>MARRIED</u>	<u>8,000</u>	<u>35%</u>	<u>8,900</u>	<u>29%</u>	<u>5,800</u>	<u>31%</u>	<u>2,000</u>	<u>27%</u>	<u>5,100</u>	<u>36%</u>
<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>7,300</u>	<u>32%</u>	<u>11,300</u>	<u>36%</u>	<u>6,700</u>	<u>36%</u>	<u>2,200</u>	<u>31%</u>	<u>4,300</u>	<u>30%</u>
<u>NON-FAM</u>	<u>4,800</u>	<u>21%</u>	<u>8,600</u>	<u>28%</u>	<u>5,100</u>	<u>28%</u>	<u>2,600</u>	<u>36%</u>	<u>3,800</u>	<u>27%</u>
<u>Non-CITIZ.</u>	<u>19,100</u>	<u>41%</u>	<u>21,000</u>	<u>37%</u>	<u>16,000</u>	<u>46%</u>	<u>2,500</u>	<u>23%</u>	<u>10,700</u>	<u>36%</u>
<u>Foreign-B</u>	<u>46,400</u>	<u>66%</u>	<u>57,000</u>	<u>70%</u>	<u>34,900</u>	<u>74%</u>	<u>11,000</u>	<u>73%</u>	<u>30,100</u>	<u>77%</u>
<u>Associates</u>	--	<u>8%</u>	--	<u>8%</u>	--	<u>8%</u>	--	<u>9%</u>	--	<u>9%</u>
<u>Bach. D.</u>	--	<u>16%</u>	--	<u>14%</u>	--	<u>15%</u>	--	<u>13%</u>	--	<u>13%</u>
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## **Critical Civic Engagement Issues...**

- 1. 2020 Census: The Undercount, New Technology & Major Contracts**
- 2. 2016 Presidential Cycle (Four Elections)**
- 3. 2017 Mayoral Elections**
- 4. NYS Constitutional Convention – 2017 Ballot Question**
- 5. Legislative Redistricting**
- 6. Voting Rights – SCOTUS Litigation & NYS Legislation**
- 7. Election, Campaign Finance & Ethics Reforms**
- 8. Pan African Diasporan Unity; and Coalition-Building**



*Thank You*

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**Questions and Answers...**