Growing Together

While Columbia has a wide array of long-standing community-based programs and partnerships, the University has joined with the West Harlem Development Corporation and Empire State Development in agreements that invest more than $150 million in new benefits for our community, in addition to the local jobs and economic opportunity provided by the new campus.

A Place for Community

• **Public gallery and performances.** The Lenfest Center for the Arts will provide film screening and performance spaces and a new, public location for Columbia’s Miriam and Ira D. Wallach Art Gallery.

• **Retail stores.** New space at street level for restaurants and stores will serve the community and contribute to pedestrian life along 125th Street and Broadway.

• **Public lectures.** The Mortimer B. Zuckerman Mind Brain Behavior Institute hosts lectures with eminent Columbia researchers.

• **Accessible open spaces with paths and public seating.** Wide, pedestrian-friendly, landscaped sidewalks will create new connections from Broadway to the West Harlem Piers Park and restaurants along 12th Avenue.

• **Wellness Center and Education Lab.** The publicly accessible lobby floor of the Jerome L. Greene Science Center will house a community Wellness Center, led by physicians from Columbia University Medical Center who have developed pioneering programs to address mental health and stroke prevention in Harlem and Washington Heights. The Center will provide cholesterol and blood pressure screenings. The building will also be home to the Zuckerman Institute’s Education Lab, which will host a range of programs designed for local students, public school teachers and all those interested in brain science.

Community Benefits Agreement

With its Manhattanville campus, Columbia has committed itself to deepening and broadening our engagement with our local community. Two major agreements codify the University’s new investment in our local community. They are the Community Benefits Agreement, in partnership with the West Harlem Development Corporation, and the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions with Empire State Development (ESD).

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AGREEMENTS INCLUDE:

• $76 million to fund grants to the community through the independent West Harlem Development Corporation

• $20 million to an affordable housing fund

• Up to $4 million in housing legal assistance for West Harlem residents

• $18.1 million for West Harlem Piers Park maintenance

• $30 million in cash and services to Teachers College Community School
$20 million to the Harlem Community Development Corporation (HCDC), an Empire State Development (ESD) subsidiary, which plans and facilitates community revitalization

More than $130 million already paid to minority-, women- or locally-owned (MWL) construction trade firms, as of October 2016

$1 million toward a Medical Technical Training Program for the CUNY-Columbia University Health Sciences Program

$20 million toward in-kind service and access to University facilities

Columbia’s Community Scholars Program, offering independent, community-based scholars from Northern Manhattan access to a suite of University services and resources that allow them to work toward completion of a particular project or to attain skill in a particular area

Columbia Double Discovery works with low-income and first-generation, college-bound, Manhattan youth to ensure high school graduation, college enrollment and completion.

Community Impact serves individuals in need in the communities of Upper Manhattan while providing meaningful volunteering and leadership opportunities for nearly 1,000 students at Columbia University and Barnard College.

Columbia-Harlem Small Business Development Center (CHSBDC) is a public-private partnership that provides free workshops, training programs and intensive one-on-one counseling to small business owners in Upper Manhattan.

Columbia Community Service (CCS) has helped countless people in the Columbia area by giving grants and providing valuable resources to local community organizations since its founding in 1946.

The Harlem Health Promotion Center (HHPC) is a collaboration of community, academic and public health stakeholders whose mission is to use community partnerships, health training, program evaluation, information technology and infrastructure to improve the health and well-being of the Harlem community.

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