



# Growing Together

Monthly Newsletter for Columbia University's Manhattanville in West Harlem Development

**C**olumbia's long-term plan for the old Manhattanville manufacturing area will revitalize the four former industrial blocks from 125th/129th to 133rd Street between Broadway and 12th Avenue, and three small blocks along the east side of Broadway from 131st to 134th Street, into an environmentally sustainable and publicly accessible center for academic and civic life woven into the fabric of the West Harlem community.

## Project Scope

The initial phase of development will include the Jerome L. Greene Science Center, the Lenfest Center for the Arts, a new home for the Columbia Business School, and The Forum. Later phases will emphasize interdisciplinary scholarship, including biomedical engineering, nanotechnology, systems biology, and urban and population studies, as well as housing for graduate students and faculty.

## Current Construction Activity

### The Forum

Occupants have moved in. Punch list, commissioning, and training continue.

### Phase 2 Foundations

The foundation contractor is currently performing the following: concrete on metal deck. The dewatering system is in operation.

### Columbia Business School

The Columbia Business School's two new facilities, The Ronald O. Perelman Center for Business Innovation and the Henry R. Kravis Building, are currently under construction above the Phase 2 Foundations project. Anticipated completion is set for December 2021. Steel erection is currently underway for the Henry R. Kravis Building.

### W. 132nd Street Demolition

The former Tuck-it-Away facility and adjacent former apartment complex on the corner of W. 132nd Street and Broadway are scheduled to be demolished by summer of 2019. The sites are currently undergoing installation of sidewalk bridges and scaffolding.

## Visit The Forum

Sit down and relax at The Forum. Free Wi-Fi is available at the building's ground floor and there is plenty of seating. Building hours are 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Come check it out!



## Community News

### Columbia Hosts Community Events at its Manhattanville Campus on December 8



*The next Saturday Science at the Zuckerman Institute's Education Lab is scheduled for December 8 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. (Photo: Lou Rocco)*

Families and community members are invited to spend the day at Columbia University's Manhattanville campus on Saturday, December 8 from 11:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. for special events to learn about the brain, create art, and more. Several events will be taking place over the course of the day at the Jerome L. Greene Science Center, Lenfest Center for the Arts, and The Forum. All events are free and open to the public, but registration is recommended for some of them. The Café at The Forum will be open from 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Read below for more information about the day's events.

### Saturday Science: Let's Move It

1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Drop in anytime)

*Jerome L. Greene Science Center – Education Lab*

609 West 129th St.

Come and be curious, play and learn how your brain tells your body to move at this interactive family event. Registration recommended but not required. Visit <https://zuckermaninstitute.columbia.edu/saturday-science> for more information.

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## What to Expect

Although contractors carefully stage construction activities to minimize disruption to the surrounding community, the nature of construction work is such that some disruptions will occur. The community should expect the following in the coming months:

- Regular work hours are 7:00AM - 6:00PM Monday through Friday
  - Weekend work may be performed.
- Closure of certain traffic lanes, parking lanes, sidewalks and crosswalks, including:
  - No standing on West 125th Street between Broadway and West 129th Street.
  - There is a no parking zone in effect on the west side of Broadway from West 125th to 129th Streets.
  - Broadway sidewalk is open from West 129th to West 130th Street. The Broadway parking lane is a no parking zone.
  - West 131st Street between Broadway and 12th Ave is closed and will remain closed until early 2019.
  - West 130th Street between Broadway and 12th Ave is a no standing or parking zone.

## Community Amenities and Benefits

To access the Columbia University's [Community Services Website](#), please visit: [manhattanville.columbia.edu](http://manhattanville.columbia.edu) then click "Community" in the navigation menu.

### Minority, Women, and Local Businesses and Workforce

Columbia has made a significant commitment to the minority, women, and local (MWL) construction contracting and workforce community throughout the course of the project: MWL construction trade contracting goal of 35 percent and MWL construction trade workforce goal of 40 percent. Working with construction contractors and the building trades, Columbia is working to enhance the role MWL firms and workers play in building the new campus. All figures represent non-specialty construction services and related materials.

#### *Construction Contracting*

In the second quarter 2018 (April 1 to June 30), Columbia paid \$20,118,549 to MWL firms, representing 41 percent of total construction spend. \$10,466,503 of that figure was paid to local companies.

Cumulatively from August 1, 2008, through June 30, 2018, Columbia paid \$269,045,294 to MWL firms, representing 42 percent of total construction spend, excluding the amount paid to the construction manager. \$137,382,961 of that figure was paid to local companies.

#### *Construction Workforce*

In the second quarter 2018 (April 1 to June 30), the MWL construction workforce delivered 50,862 hours worked, representing 60 percent of the total workforce hours for the construction of the new Manhattanville campus. 4,241 hours of that figure were performed by the local workforce.

Cumulatively from August 1, 2008, through June 30, 2018, the MWL construction workforce delivered 1,581,310 hours worked, representing 50 percent of the total workforce hours for the construction of the new Manhattanville campus. 265,730 hours of that figure were performed by the local workforce.

## Jobs and Opportunities

As the project progresses, we expect additional opportunities for people with a wide range of skills and experience in the coming years.

We are working with our construction partners Lendlease (for Phase 2 foundations/below-grade) and Turner Construction (for the Business School) to assist those interested in employment with construction firms currently working at Columbia. For more information, please visit the Manhattanville Employment Opportunities page at [manhattanville.columbia.edu/jobs-opportunities](http://manhattanville.columbia.edu/jobs-opportunities).

## Additional Information

This newsletter and our weekly construction updates (which contain more specific information about construction impacts) will be available on the web at [manhattanville.columbia.edu](http://manhattanville.columbia.edu) and at various locations at the project site and throughout the Manhattanville area.

Please note that construction activities are subject to change based on field conditions. We appreciate the patience and cooperation of everyone who is temporarily inconvenienced by these projects.

Should you have questions about construction activity, call the Columbia Facilities Services Center at (212) 854-2222, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, or e-mail [projx@columbia.edu](mailto:projx@columbia.edu). For more project information, to view upcoming bid opportunities, and to sign-up for our e-mail updates visit [manhattanville.columbia.edu](http://manhattanville.columbia.edu).

### Neighboring construction projects not related to Columbia

- New York City Department of Transportation's Protective Coating of the Riverside Drive Viaduct from St. Clair Place to 135th St., please contact Community Liaison Hugh Smith at 917-434-1385 or via e-mail at [riversideviaduct@gmail.com](mailto:riversideviaduct@gmail.com).

## Volunteers Serve Local Seniors Pre-Thanksgiving Feast



Columbia University and other local volunteers served a pre-Thanksgiving feast to over 115 senior citizens from five different senior centers in the Manhattanville area at Riverside Church on Tuesday, November 20. More than 35 volunteers from Columbia, the West Harlem Development Corp, NYPD's 26th Precinct, Turner Construction, and Riverside Church joined in the festive lunch. The seniors left filled with good food, entertained, and with a decorative Thanksgiving gift bag. Volunteers were thankful for the opportunity to give back.

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### [Climate Matters: Building Literacy, Breaking Communication Barriers](#)

11:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. (Presentations will start every half-hour with a break from 12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

#### *The Forum*

West 125th St. and Broadway

Come hear about some of the hottest topics in climate, conveyed in plain language, by our Climate and Society M.A. students. Topics will include sea level rise, changes in hurricane behavior, understanding the wild fires raging in the western U.S., and the increasing weirdness of weather in our own part of the world.

### [Posing Modernity: The Black Model from Manet to Matisse to Today](#)

12:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m.

#### *Lenfest Center for the Arts — Wallach Art Gallery*

615 West 129th St.

This exhibition explores the changing modes of representation of the black figure as central to the development of modern art. The models' interactions with and influences on painters, sculptors and photographers are highlighted through archival photographs, correspondence and films. Visit <http://bit.ly/PosModrnty> for more information.

### [Young Writers Present](#)

12:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

#### *Lenfest Center for the Arts — The Katharina Otto-Bernstein Screening Room*

615 West 129th St.

Local high school students from Double Discovery Center, Frank Sinatra School of the Arts, The High School of Fashion Industries, Project Morry, as well as Our Word, in the Columbia Artist/Teacher (CA/T) Program read their original work. **Please register for this event at <https://lenfest.arts.columbia.edu/events/young-writers-present>.**

### [Family Day](#)

1:00 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.

#### *Lenfest Center for the Arts — Wallach Art Gallery*

615 West 129th St.

An afternoon of fun and art-making just for families! Learn about the symbolism/secret language of flowers as you create oil pastel "paintings." Discover how a simple line can be used to create a portrait. Take turns being a model and an artist in this photo activity for pairs of friends or family members. Please visit <https://wallach.columbia.edu/family-programs> for more information.

### [BioBus](#)

1:00 p.m. — 4:00 p.m.

#### *Located outside The Forum*

West 125th St. and Broadway

Students discover the excitement of hands-on science aboard our Mobile Labs, equipped with state of the art microscopes and staffed by scientists. The bus will be parked outside of The Forum. Visit <http://www.biobus.org> for more information.

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## Community News

### Delta Dental Community Care Foundation Awards Grant to Support Mobile Dental Van Serving Children in Northern Manhattan and the Bronx



*Columbia University's dental van provides dental care to children in upper Manhattan and the Bronx. (Photo: Jorg Meyer)*

The Delta Dental Community Care Foundation awarded Columbia University College of Dental Medicine (CDM) a \$585,000 grant to purchase a new mobile dental clinic to serve children in Harlem, Washington Heights, Inwood, and the Bronx through the school's Community DentCare program.

The new van, replacing an outdated model, will help CDM improve access to dental care for underserved children, many of whom rely upon the clinic as their sole source of oral health care. It will also reach previously inaccessible sites, reduce costs, and upgrade the clinic with state-of-the-art equipment custom-designed for CDM. At present, DentCare's mobile clinic visits nearly 70 Head Start, daycare, and foster care facilities, providing over 3,000 dental visits per year, regardless of ability to pay.

Through six school-based clinics in underserved communities, DentCare provided approximately 26,000 dental visits in the last three years. The program also offers oral health screenings to the elderly at local community centers.

"As the largest provider of oral health care in our upper Manhattan communities, Columbia University relies on our mobile clinic to care for children most in need," said Christian S. Stohler, DMD, DrMedDent, dean of Columbia University College of Dental Medicine and senior vice president of Columbia University Irving Medical Center. "Delta Dental's generosity will help us improve our facilities as well as our reach. We are deeply grateful for their generosity."

"Our Foundation's mission is to increase access to quality dental care and we could not do so without dedicated partners such as Columbia University," said Karen Robinson, vice president of corporate affairs for Delta Dental and executive director of the Delta Dental Community Care Foundation. "Together, we can make a lasting impact to improve the health and enhance the lives of children and adults in New York."

The grant is one of 20 given in New York this year by the Delta Dental Community Care Foundation to help improve the oral health of disadvantaged children and adults by removing barriers to quality dental care. Since its inception in 2011, the Foundation has awarded more than \$2.5 million in grants to organizations throughout New York.

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# Construction Progress Images



Columbia Business School site, looking north



Lenfest Center for the Arts (left) and the Jerome L. Greene Science Center, with the Small Square in the foreground



The Forum, looking north (Photo credit: Frank Oudeman/ Columbia University)



Aerial view looking northeast

## Sustainable Partnerships

