HOUSING AND POVERTY SNAPSHOT: KINGS COUNTY

The Neighborhood Preservation Coalition of New York State, Inc. is a statewide membership organization of community-based, not-for-profit housing companies committed to revitalizing New York State’s urban and suburban areas.

NPCs work to provide a range of services that strengthen our communities, including the preservation and development of affordable housing, home buyer education, landlord/tenant mediation, Main Street development, employment assistance programs, and beyond.

NPCs serve low-and-moderate income residents and contribute to economic development efforts in New York State, raising approximately $45 for every dollar appropriated. Stand with us and together we can make New York State a better place to live and work for everyone.

Kings County includes twenty-four Neighborhood Preservation Companies:

Brighton Neighborhood Association, Inc.; Brooklyn Housing and Family Services; Brooklyn Neighborhood Improvement Association; Carroll Gardens Association, Inc.; Community Organization of Southern Brooklyn; Crown Heights Jewish Community Council; Cypress Hills LDC; East New York Urban Youth Corp, Inc.; Erasmus Neighborhood Federation, Inc.; Fifth Avenue Committee, Inc.; Flatbush Development Corporation; Gowanus Canal CDC; Greater Sheepshead Bay Development Corp.; IMPACCT Brooklyn; LDC of Crown Heights; Los Sures Community Development Co., Inc.; Midwood Development Corporation; Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Inc.; NHS of East Flatbush; North Brooklyn Development Corp.; Northeast Brooklyn Housing Development Corp.; Ocean Parkway CDC; Ridgewood Bushwick Senior Citizens Council, Inc.; and St. Nick's Alliance

Kings County

Population and Demographics, Race and Sex

Kings County Poverty
- 32% of residents live between 0-138% of the federal poverty level
- 41% of renters and 12% of owners live between 0-138% of the federal poverty level
- A greater percentage of men, 24%, live within 0-138% of the federal poverty level than do women, 21%
  43% of children; 27% of adults and 34% of seniors live within 0-138% of the federal poverty level

Poverty by Race
- A greater percentage of people of color, 34%, live within 0-138% of the poverty level than do Whites, 26%.
Kings County Rates of Homeownership and Home Rental

- Kings County is comprised of 32% owners and 68% renters.
- Asians are most likely to own a home – 42% of Asians own homes - followed by Whites at 39%.

Homeowner Cost Burden

- In Kings County, 38% of homeowners spend 30% or more of their income on housing. 16% are considered to be severely cost-burdened, spending 50% or more of their income on housing costs.

Homeowner Cost-Burden by Race

- In Kings County, Blacks and Asians are the most cost-burdened, with 45% of both groups spending greater than 30% of their income on housing costs. The most severely cost-burdened group is Asians with 20% spending 50% or more of their income on housing costs.
Homeowner Cost Burden by Race and Gender

- Women homeowners in Kings County are slightly more cost-burdened than are men, with 38% of all women being cost-burdened compared with 37% of all men. 16% of women and 15% men are considered severely cost-burdened, spending greater than 50% of their income on housing costs.

- For men, Asians and Blacks are most cost-burdened with 45% and 43%, respectively, spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs. For women, Blacks and Asians are the most cost-burdened with 46% and 44%, respectively spending 30% or more of their income on housing costs.

Kings County Renter Cost Burden

- 49% of renters spend 30% or more of their income on housing, with 22% spending 50% or more on housing.

*Renters paying 30% or more of their income on housing are considered cost-burdened.

Renter Cost-Burden by Race

- Asians and Latinos are the most cost-burdened renters, with 56% of Asians and 51% of Latinos spending 30% or more of their income on housing.

Renter Cost-Burden by Race/Ethnicity

Kings County Renter Cost-Burden by Race and Gender

- Women renters are more cost-burdened than men, 50% compared with 47%. Of that, 23% of women are considered severely cost-burdened compared with 22% of men.

- Asians are the most severely cost-burdened, with 32% of Asian women and 31% of Asian men spending 50% or more of their income on housing costs.