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Trudy Pogue was born and raised in the historic neighborhood of Harlem. At an early age, Ms. Pogue moved to the Bronx, where she lived in numerous Morrisania section neighborhoods in the Borough for over 43 years.

Ms. Pogue has established herself as an active member of the community, participating in a number of community-based organizations that focus on addressing issues pertaining to youth empowerment and improving the safety of Bronx neighborhoods.

When Ms. Pogue moved to Claremont Houses, where she currently resides, to care for her ailing husband, she became very involved in tenants' rights. Soon after moving to Claremont Houses, Ms. Pogue became the development's Tenant Association President and the supervisor of the buildings' Resident Watch Group. She has worked with elected officials and community-based organizations to help funnel services and resources to seniors residing in the development. She also became an active member of Police Service Area #7 to ensure that the safety concerns of her community are being addressed.

Throughout the years, Ms. Pogue has championed a number of causes. Recently, one of the buildings at Claremont Houses was without heat for months during the winter season. Ms. Pogue partnered with the Office of State Senator Gustavo Rivera and the Urban Justice Center to ensure that NYCHA, which manages the building, addressed the heating issues plaguing the building and causing the residents hardship.

Ms. Pogue is a devout member of the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, the Pentecostal Baptist Church and the Franklin Avenue Baptist Church. She hopes to continue her work as an advocate for seniors and the residents of Claremont Houses for years to come.