

SENATOR JEFF KLEIN ANNOUNCES FUNDING FOR KIPS BAY BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

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Bronx, NY — State Senator Jeff Klein (D- Bronx/Westchester) announced \$30,000 in funding for Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club on Saturday at Kips Bay Boys and Girls Lucile Palmaro Clubhouse at Kips Bay's annual "Day for Kids". Hundreds of families gathered at the clubhouse to enjoy the celebration, which included arts and crafts, food, games, give-aways, music, and more.

As a result of Senator Klein's funding, Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club increased enrollment at its popular after-school programs at PS 304 Early Childhood School and MS 101 The Edward R. Byrne School. Children, in grades 1 - 8, can now enjoy sports, such as swimming, basketball, ice skating, soccer and kickball. They will receive academic counseling and homework help from instructors after school to ensure their educational success. Students can also participate in a performing arts program and enhance their technical skills with access to computers.

"I'm so proud that with my \$30,000 in funding our children will have access to vital academic resources and meaningful enrichment activities throughout the school year. Students will enjoy the stellar performing arts program and also can participate in a variety of sports, which will foster team building skills. They will also receive tutoring, mentoring, homework

assistance, and test preparation to enhance their scholastic performance. Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club truly meets the needs of our youngsters," said Senator Jeff Klein.

"Our annual "Day for Kids" fall street fair is a wonderful occasion bringing together current club members and their families, club alumni, community leaders, local merchants and public officials. I am delighted to accept State Senator Jeff Klein's check presentation for \$30,000 in support of our after- school programming at PS 304/MS 101. Senator Klein has been a strong supporter of Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club with both operating grants, and capital allocations such as his 2015 award for the digital fine arts center that we are building at the flagship Palmaro Clubhouse," said Daniel Quintero, Executive Director of Kips Bay Boys and Girls Club.