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Kevin S. Parker

Senator Parker and the U.S. Census Bureau host Census 2020 Career Fairs

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Brooklyn, NY - On Tuesday, December 11th, State Senator Kevin Parker partnered with the U.S. Census Bureau to host a Census 2020 Career Fair at the Brooklyn Public Library – Flatbush Branch. The last in a pair of career fairs with Senator Parker, over 100 people attended both events where Census Bureau staff assisted job seekers with applying for census jobs through the U.S. Census Bureau's online portal.

“It is imperative that everyone is counted in next year’s census. The stakes are too high for an undercount of Black and Brown communities,” said Senator Parker. “But what is just as important is that the Census Bureau employ workers who look like the people in our hardest to count communities. That’s why it makes sense to have a job fair to connect the residents of my district - many of whom are Black, Brown, immigrant, LGBTQ, to job opportunities where their demographics are a plus.” Senator Parker concluded, “I am humbled to assist Brooklyn residents in finding employment opportunities, and I want to thank the U.S. Census Bureau for being a partner and affording the residents of the 21st District an opportunity to be considered for employment during the decennial count.”

Afia Frimpong, Partnership Specialist at the U.S. Census Bureau stated, “This career fair is a great opportunity to hire community residents who can relate to and educate their neighbors on the benefits of participating in the Census and the perils of an undercount.” Ms. Frimpong continued, “As an elected official representing one of the hardest to count districts in the entire State of New York, Senator Parker’s leadership is critical to ensuring a complete count of Brooklyn’s hard-to-count communities. We applaud the Senator for making Census 2020 a priority for the 21st Senate District and New York State as a whole.”

About Senator Kevin Parker:

Senator Kevin Parker represents Brooklyn’s ethnically diverse 21st Senate District comprised of sections of Flatbush, East Flatbush, Midwood, Ditmas Park, Kensington, Windsor Terrace, and Park Slope. A lifelong Brooklyn resident, Senator Parker has the honor of serving his community as the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Energy and Telecommunications, and on the Senate Standing Committees on Finance; Rules; Alcoholism & Substance Abuse; Insurance; and Banks.

For more information on Senator Parker, please visit www.nysenate.gov/senators/kevin-s-parker