

April 17th

Commissioner Erin Dalton
NYC Department of Social Services
150 Greenwich Street, 40th Floor
New York, NY 10007

RE: Follow-Up: April 7 Community Input Meeting – 30 Street Men’s Intake Shelter

Dear Commissioner Dalton:

Thank you and your team for attending the April 7th Community Input Meeting to discuss the plan to relocate the 30th Street Men’s Intake Shelter to two locations on Bowery and East 3rd Street. As you know, hundreds of members of the community attended the meeting to make their concerns heard. Following the meeting, our offices and many of our constituents still have questions on how this relocation will impact the surrounding neighborhood:

Safety & Security Outside the Locations

- How often will DHS patrol outside the facilities, during which hours, and how will you ensure the area remains safe?
- What are the plans to address the possibility of individuals loitering outside the intake center, especially at night?
- What will DHS do to prevent active drug use and trade outside the intake center?
- Which social service organizations in the area have you been in contact with? Will they provide services on site? If so, what services?

Sanitation Concerns

Sanitation is a concern for nearby residents and businesses. Our offices have been informed that DSNY has not received any requests for additional cleanups or maintenance at the shelter site.

- What is the plan for additional clean up? What coordination will happen with DSNY? Who is responsible for coordinating the communication with DSNY?
- Who is responsible for cleaning up food waste and garbage on the sidewalks and streets surrounding the shelter?

- How often will cleanup occur, and what is the schedule?
- What is the process for residents or businesses to report sanitation issues, and what is the expected response time?

Contact Information

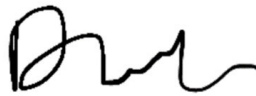
- You agreed to activate a contact number and email for any local concerns. Please share that contact information, along with the names and titles of staff who will be available to address any concerns, and the hours when they can be reached.
- We agreed to start a Community Advisory Group. Can we schedule the first meeting before May 1st?

We thank you for your commitment to ensuring that New Yorkers experiencing homelessness have access to shelter and resources and understand that transitions to sites like this one are not easy. We look forward to being a partner with you to ensure all concerns are addressed. We would appreciate a written response to the questions by April 24, 2026, and commit to a follow-up meeting with the community before the opening of the intake shelter on May 1, 2026.

Sincerely,



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