Report to Manhattan Community Board 1 – Battery Park City Committee

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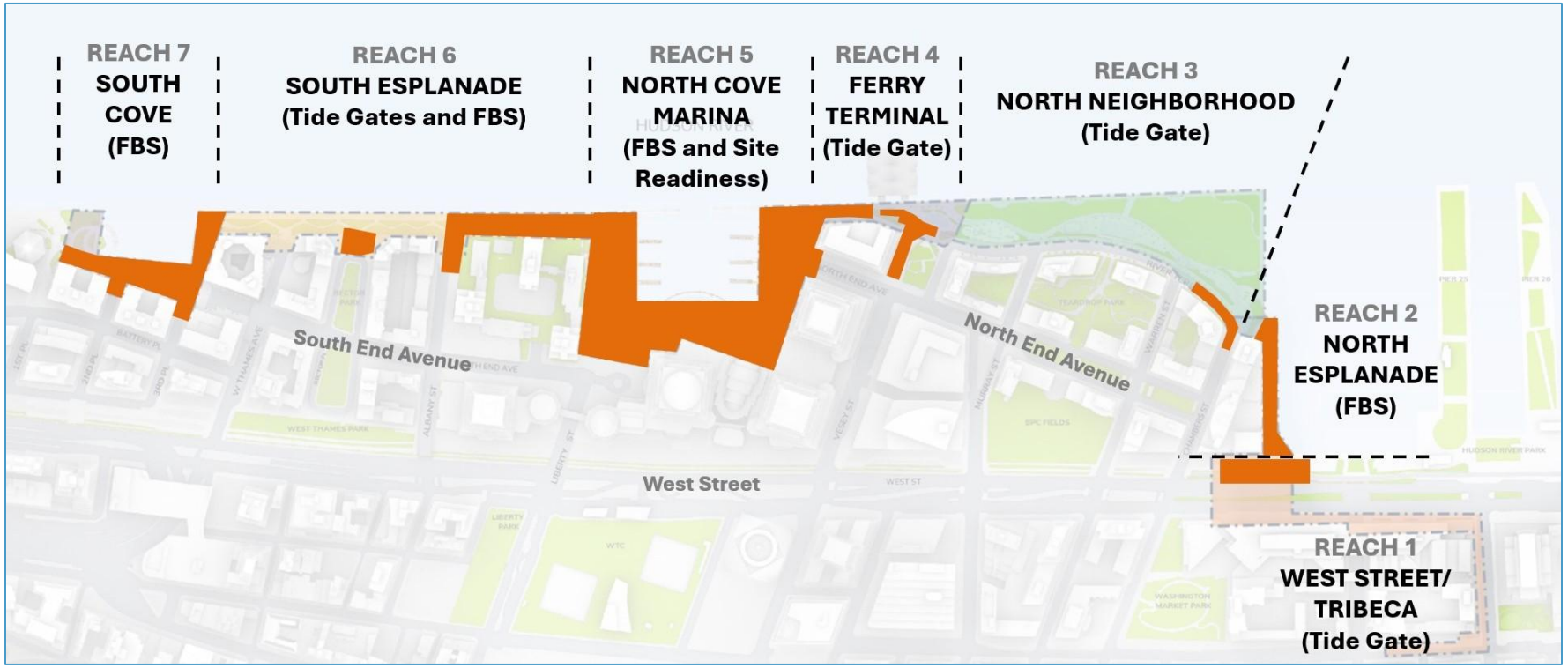
A MORE PAWFECT UNION: Liberty Biberty was among the featured costumes at the Twenty-Fourth Annual BPC Dogs Halloween Puppy Parade at Wagner Park on Sunday, October 26. More than 65 dogs participated. For a list of winners and full event slideshow, visit bpcdogs.org.

NEIGHBORHOOD & PROJECT UPDATES:



I. North / West Battery Park City Resiliency Project

- Facts & Figures from NWBPCR Construction Year 1
  - ✓ Dedicated website updated regularly
  - ✓ 84 meetings
  - ✓ 56 Drop-Ins
  - ✓ 25 Newsletters
  - ✓ 1,400+ newsletter subscribers
  - ✓ 500+ building-specific notification subscribers
  - ✓ 200+ inquiries answered

- BPC Resiliency "Drop-Ins":
  - ✓ Tuesdays through December 22, 5-6PM @ 200 Rector Place Community Room
  - ✓ Fridays through December 18, 12-1PM @ 6 River Terrace (no program 11/27)

- **Sign up** for our biweekly construction newsletters. Recent issues include:
  - ✓ NWBPCR Newsletter – November 3, 2026
  - ✓ NWBPCR Newsletter - October 20, 2026
  - ✓ NWBPCR Newsletter - October 7, 2026

- See tonight's presentation here.

II. South Battery Park City Resiliency Project – Reopening of Battery Bikeway

- On September 24, joined by project partners, local elected officials, and community stakeholders, BPCA announced substantial completion of the South Battery Park City Resiliency Project with an event to reopen the Battery Bikeway, providing cyclists with a safe and scenic route to traverse the borough's perimeter.
- The Bikeway connects the Hudson River Greenway to the East River Esplanade and passes through the length of Battery Park City. It is part of an uninterrupted 31-mile waterfront bicycle path around the perimeter of Manhattan.
- Previous SBPCR milestones include:
  - ✓ Reopening of Wagner Park (July 2025)
  - ✓ Unveiling of the Wagner Park Pavilion rooftop (November 2025)
  - ✓ Completion of the Wagner Pavilion Classroom (March 2026)
- For more information on the Wagner Pavilion classroom or to reserve the space, click here or email wagnerclassroom@bpca.ny.gov.
- Read more about the new Wagner Park **here**.



III. COMING UP: BPC Programs & Events

- Battery Park City's all-free public events continue this November and December, with the following highlights:



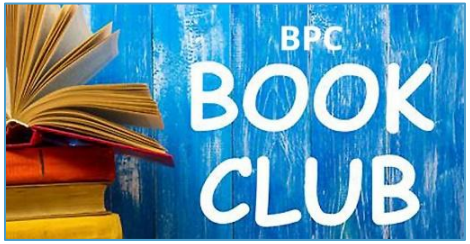
- ✓ Operation Pumpkin Drop – **now thru November 17**. Simply leave your pumpkins in the gray bins at any of the locations below and they'll be sustainably composted and used to create a quality soil fertilizer.
  - Outside 75 Battery Place
  - West Thames Playground
  - North End Avenue Dog Run
  - Chambers Street by Tribeca Bridge



- ✓ Noirvember Film Series – **Thursday, November 19, 6:30PM @ 6 River Terrace**. Each November, movie fans celebrate the hallmark antiheroes, femme fatales, moral complexities, and the stunning black & white cinematography of film noir. Free popcorn will be served, and a discussion will follow each screening.
  - **NOV 19:** *Pickup on South Street* (Samuel Fuller, 1953)
    A pickpocket, played by Richard Widmark in top form, unwittingly steals a top-secret microfilm from a courier on a New York subway, making himself the prime target of both a Communist spy ring and government agents. RSVP here.



- ✓ BPC Repair Fest – **Sunday, November 8, 10AM-1PM @ 6 River Terrace**. Give your injured items a second life with expert coaches guiding jewelry, sewing, and small appliance fixes. Read more about the Repair Fest here.



- ✓ BPC Book Club – **Tuesday, November 10, 1-2PM @ 200 Rector Place**. Join fellow readers for lively discussion and thoughtful socializing on *How to Ruin a Wedding* by Elba Luz

- ✓ Holiday Lights Celebration – **Thursday, December 3, 6PM @ Rockefeller Park**. The annual Battery Park City tradition! Kick-off the holiday season with the illumination of the BPC holiday tree and lights. The festive evening features lively carols, beverages and treats, and many special guest appearances and a visit from you-know-who!



- ✓ BPC Holiday Blood Drive – **Wednesday, December 9, 12-6PM @ 6 River Terrace**. Give the "Gift of Life" this holiday season by helping to replenish dwindling supplies in the tri-state area. It takes less than an hour and one donation can save multiple lives! Sign up here for an appointment.



- ✓ Recycle Your Tree – **daily from December 28-Jaunuary 29**. Help Battery Park city stay green this holiday season by recycling your Christmas tree! Simply place your tree at the curb for pickup — with all decorations and lights removed, please! The trees will be chipped and used as mulch to keep Battery Park City beautiful year-round.



IV. COMMUNITY REMINDER: Seasonal Operations

- Fall / Winter operating hours (7:45AM-6:30PM) in effect through March 31 for the following public amenities: Teardrop Restrooms, Wagner Pavilion Restrooms & Roof, Irish Hunger Memorial, and Pier A Esplanade. (BPC Ball Fields and restrooms close at 8PM starting December 1.)
- Starting week of November 16, BPCA will be fencing the following lawns currently in need of renovation and regrowth: Rockefeller South Lawn, North End Avenue lawn by Stuyvesant High School, Teardrop Park (large lawn only), Rector Park East & West. (Lawns to reopen week of April 12, 2027.)
  - ✓ Wagner lawns, Rockefeller Park north lawn, and Teardrop Park small lawn will remain open for public access and enjoyment this winter.

V. COMMUNITY REMINDER: Dogs on Lawns / in BPC

- While leashed pets are permitted on hard surfaces throughout Battery Park City, they are not permitted on parks lawns or art installations. Unleashed pets are permitted in BPC's dog runs only.
- While summonsing is never the goal, BPC Special Patrol Officers may issue summonses for "Dogs Off Leash" violations.
- READ MORE: **It's a Dog's Life in BPC**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

I. **Join the BPCA Team!**
   - BPCA is an Equal Opportunity Employer and values a diverse and dedicated work force. All interested and qualified candidates are encouraged to apply using the "Apply Here" link in the postings on our EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES page.

BPCA – Allied Universal Quality of Life Statistics
September 2025 *vs.* September 2026

TOPIC	2025	2026
Graffiti	0	3
Homeless	12	49
Lost / Found Property	4	5
Park Rules	11	16
Vendor / Solicitor	1	9
Dogs	4	41

BPCA – Allied Universal Quality of Life Statistics
October 2025 *vs.* October 2026

TOPIC	2025	2026
Graffiti	11	3
Homeless	11	6
Lost / Found Property	5	5
Park Rules	6	16
Vendor / Solicitor	0	9
Dogs	4	31