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## Senator Montgomery honors UPROSE's Youth Justice members

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On Thursday, August 11th, Senator Montgomery joined Elizabeth Yeampierre, Executive Director of UPROSE to honor their Youth Justice members for their service and commitment to social and environmental justice issues.

UPROSE is Brooklyn's oldest Latino community based organization entering their 50th year of service. Today, UPROSE is an intergenerational, multi-racial, nationally-recognized community organization that promotes the sustainability and resiliency of the Sunset Park community in Brooklyn through community organizing, education, leadership development

and cultural/artistic expression.

UPROSE's work encompasses a variety of environmental justice and public health initiatives, from the development of the waterfront and local brownfields, to transportation, open space and airquality needs, to educational and youth empowerment campaigns.

UPROSE has achieved multiple groundbreaking accomplishments in community-based planning and development. In the wake of Superstorm Sandy in fall 2012, it has intensified its focus on the adaptation of Sunset Park to the changing climate and to deepening its community resiliency.

For more information about UPROSE and their 50th Anniversary Celebration, please visit <http://uprose.org/>

