

Senator Jeff Klein holds groundbreaking ceremony at Pelham Parkway Houses for \$2.1 million lighting project

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Outdoor lighting enhancements will improve resident safety

Bronx, NY - Senator Jeff Klein, along with Assemblyman Mark Gjonaj, NYCHA General Manager Michael Kelly and other NYCHA staff members, held a groundbreaking ceremony for his \$2.1 million lighting improvement project at the Pelham Parkway Houses. The outdoor lighting enhancements represent the latest project aimed at improving safety at the Pelham Parkway Houses following two tragic homicides just months apart in the summer of 2012.

"Today is an exciting day for the Pelham Parkway Houses community. This \$2.1 million project is a long time coming, and I'm thrilled that this summer we broke ground. We're now well on our way to improving safety for all residents of the Pelham Parkway Houses," said Senator Klein.

"Increasing public safety is a top priority of mine, and this project does exactly that. I commend Senator Jeff Klein for this \$2.1 million funding allocation, which is a tremendous step towards a safer Pelham Parkway Houses Community," said Assemblyman Gjonaj.

"The commitment from our local elected officials is vital in achieving our NextGen goal to provide safe, clean and connected communities for all NYCHA residents," said NYCHA General Manager Michael Kelly. "These new lights will mean safer homes and improved quality of life for the more than 2,500 Pelham Parkway residents."

New outdoor lights will go up throughout the entire development as a result the state funding secured by Senator Klein. The project includes the installation of 93 lighting poles with LED lights. The majority of the new fixtures will be park-like poles installed in locations that previously lacked efficient lighting.