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## **Bronx Community Organization Hosts 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Technology Carnival**

BRONX, NY – Mount Hope Housing Company, a community-based organization in the Bronx, will host a Technology Carnival on September 8 from 11:00 a.m. - 6 p.m. on 179<sup>th</sup> Street between Morris and Walton Avenues. The community event features free computer classes and exhibitor's tents as well as computer games and activities for the whole family.

The event aims to educate the community about technology by providing informational resources. Classes covering the basics of computers, as well as specific topics of interest, will be offered throughout the day for families. Residents can continue to learn about technology through booths sponsored by partnering organizations.

The carnival features a variety of specialty tents. Children of all ages will enjoy art stations where guests create custom designs and prints. At discovery stations, children can learn about math, science and more. At audio stations, teens can create custom music mixes and take home the CD. The carnival will also include a video game tournament and dance contest.

The Technology Carnival supports the accomplishments of the Mount Hope Technology Initiative. On January, The Mount Hope began finished retrofitting each of its 1,250 units of affordable housing for high-speed Internet. The organization continues to provide free computer training classes for families and free computers for qualified residents.

The Technology Carnival is just one of the many events held this year to mark Mount Hope Housing Company's 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary. Since its start in 1986, Mount Hope has rehabilitated 32 affordable housing buildings as well as provided a robust array of services to its residents. In addition to technology services, the organization provides youth services, employment services, asset-building programs and real estate development. A celebration of the company's achievements is planned for this October.

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