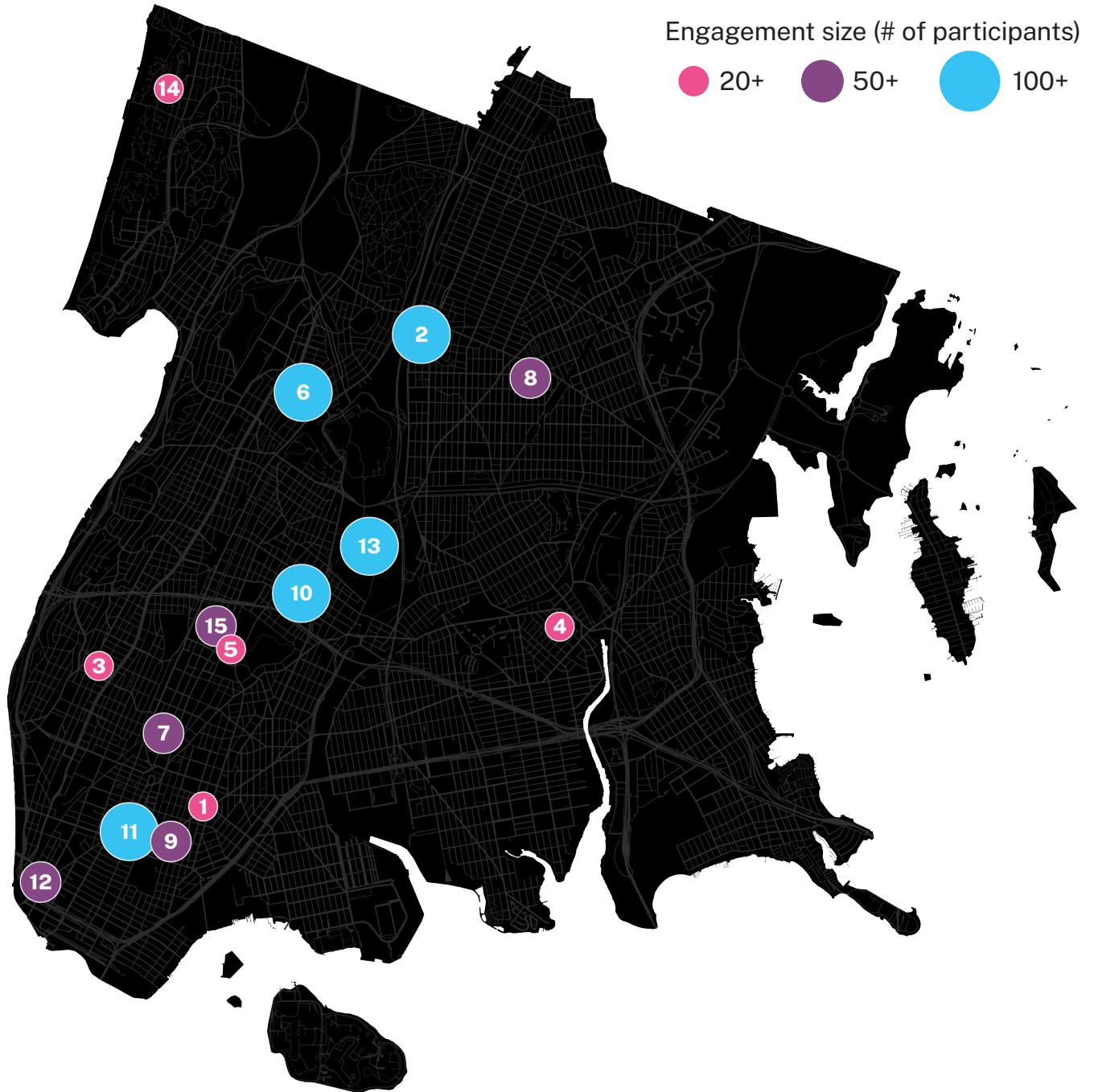


BxCF Summer of Engagement in The Bronx

18 community engagements • 15 community partners



In 2023, 15 community-based organizations and institutions partnered with The Bronx Community Foundation (BxCF), the first and only community foundation in The Bronx, to host a series of neighborhood conversations throughout the summer to envision a brighter future for all Bronxites. Input from residents at these engagements (located on the map below) will directly inform BxCF's financial investments and program priorities as they continue to work towards a united and thriving Bronx community.



Community Engagement Partners (Co-hosts)

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| 1 Word of Life International
<i>hosted one 20+ person engagement</i> | 9 Bronx Community Justice Center
<i>hosted one 50+ person engagement</i> |
| 2 Mind-Builders Creative Arts Center
<i>hosted one 100+ person engagement</i> | 10 Mary Mitchell Family & Youth Center
<i>hosted one 100+ person engagement</i> |
| 3 WHEDco
<i>hosted two 20+ person engagements</i> | 11 The Knowledge House
<i>hosted one 100+ person engagement</i> |
| 4 Sapna NYC
<i>hosted three 20+ person engagements</i> | 12 CannaBronx
<i>hosted one 50+ person engagement</i> |
| 5 Phipps Neighborhoods
<i>hosted one 20+ person engagement</i> | 13 Center for Community Engaged Learning at Fordham University
<i>hosted one 100+ person engagement</i> |
| 6 Northwest Bronx Community & Clergy Coalition
<i>hosted one 100+ person engagement</i> | 14 Riverdale Y
<i>hosted one 20+ person engagement</i> |
| 7 DreamYard
<i>hosted one 50+ person engagement</i> | 15 SUNY Bronx Educational Opportunity Center
<i>hosted one 50+ person engagement</i> |
| 8 R.A.I.N. Inc.
<i>hosted one 50+ person engagement</i> | |

What We Heard

18 community engagements • 1000+ vision boards



Key Theme	What we Heard	
Fair and safe housing	Affordable quality housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared ownership and lower rents • Quality living conditions with adequate heating • No discrimination
	Vibrant and fairly resourced neighborhoods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to education, healthcare and food • Multi-generational and safe community spaces • Green spaces, less traffic
Quality education	Accessible and affordable high quality education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated curriculum, facilities, infrastructure • Equal access to financial resources • Support for continuing education
	Interactive, creative, interdisciplinary education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rounded education, with interactive lessons • Special focus on arts, urban gardening, technology, cultural education
	Inclusive and safe spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence free space for all, without discrimination
Digital equity	Equal access and distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wi-fi equity • High quality digital training for all
	Build digital tools to build businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tech hub for businesses • Online community programs
Food sovereignty and access	Equal access and distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better prices for raw and organic produce • Better and more supermarkets
	Build capacity to grow locally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community owned gardens • Food education
Health equity and access	Maintain a healthy environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain public gardens • Ensure public safety and cleanliness • Access to affordable and healthy food
	High quality medical care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High quality healthcare without discrimination • Affordable healthcare with benefits • More access to mental health specialists
Wealth generating jobs	Quality jobs with good salaries	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talent retention • People > profits
	Cooperative economics and education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shared resources, breaking the silos • Shared community wealth
Inclusive neighborhood development	Inclusive resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Programming for elders, families • Safe and green public spaces
	Community cohesion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural preservation • Racial justice and solidarity
Micro/small business support	Direct infrastructural support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial incentives • More work opportunities
	Training and development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentorship and collaboration • High quality educational resources
Community-owned open spaces	Green and clean spaces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More funding to maintain green spaces • More regulation around cleanliness
	Prioritize community needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Multi generational community centers • Support local business
	Quality living conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Real affordable housing • High quality and affordable food and healthcare • Safer environment for everyone