

The Greenpoint-Williamsburg Rezoning

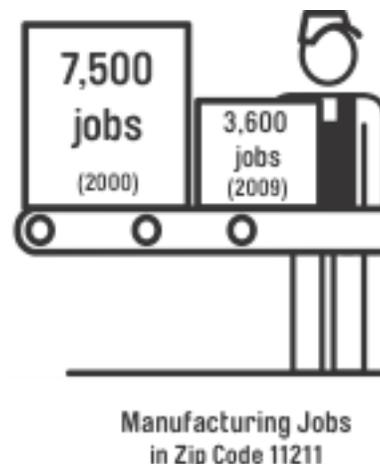
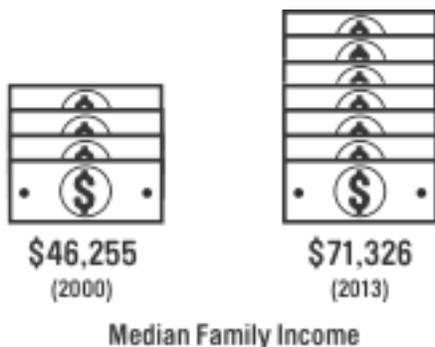
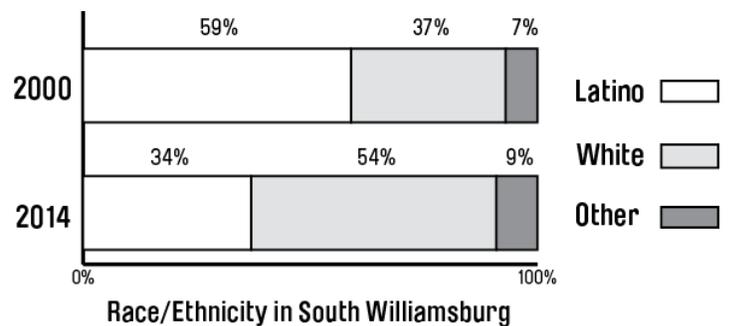


North 6th and Kent in 2007 (top) and 2015 (bottom)

In 2005, the city rezoned almost 200 blocks in Greenpoint-Williamsburg, Brooklyn.

The new zoning allowed for residential buildings up to 33 stories in former manufacturing areas along the waterfront. It also changed the designation of some areas from “manufacturing” to “mixed use,” allowing residential development in areas that had been reserved for industrial and manufacturing uses. Community members organized to demand that the city protect current residents and preserve affordable housing. While the community was successful in getting some of what they asked for, many of the promises the city made remain unfulfilled.

How has the neighborhood changed?



What the community asked for...	What the city promised...	What's happened so far...
40% of all new housing to be affordable	33% of new housing to be affordable	16% of units that have been planned or built are affordable
All available public land to be used for affordable housing	The city set aside most public land for affordable housing, promising to build 1,345 affordable units there	19 affordable units have been built on public land
Legal protections and services to protect tenants from harassment and illegal evictions	Anti-harassment protections in parts of the neighborhood. The city also promised a \$2 million fund for legal services and tenant organizing.	Anti-harassment protections exist in parts of the neighborhood, but not in many places where people are most vulnerable. The city didn't fund the \$2 million legal services and organizing fund.
Protections for manufacturing space and jobs	Support for manufacturing businesses in some places	Williamsburg lost 8 million square feet of manufacturing space between 2012 and 2013

We can't let what happened in Brooklyn happen in the Bronx. We have to organize!

The Bronx Coalition for a Community Vision is fighting for:

- Anti-displacement strategies for current residential and commercial tenants
 - Real affordable housing
- Good jobs, local hire, and worker safety
- Real community engagement

Now is the time to make our recommendations a reality! Come to our monthly meetings on the first Thursday of every month! 6-8 pm at 1501 Jerome Ave at 172nd.



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