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Good afternoon, I am Frances Morales, representing the youth of Williamsburg in Brooklyn. There are many buliding been bulit in my community yet there are less Community Center's like the one I attend, the El Puente Leadership Center. There are going to be a whole new generation of young people in is community with everyone moving in and less places for the youth of this community to gather communially for positive reasons. They wont have a place like I have now like El PuentE. El Puente is home to many of the youth within this commmunity. It's a place where youth can speakout on what you believe in, it's a place where you can learn to dance, draw, act play music and how to better your society.. El Puente gives the youth a voice when everyone else doesn't listen. When the buildings by the Waterfront are finally built I will no longer be attending a community center because I would of grown older, but I hope that the future youth of this community and the thousands who move into this community will have a place to gather just as I did while growing up. There will be much more space for reconstruction of all kind but lets not forget about the youth who will need a place to call home away from home.

Thank you,

Frances Morales