



**Report to Hudson River Park Advisory Council
September 9, 2025**

Design and Construction

Pier 97 Public Restroom and Park Building

The Pier 97 building passed all of its required inspections from City agencies earlier this summer, but HRPT is still awaiting the Temporary Certificate of Occupancy (TCO), which must be in hand before the restrooms can open to the public. We had hoped this would have occurred by now, but know that the new bathrooms and park maintenance area will be put to good use as soon as the TCO is received.

W29- W44th Street Design

Based on community input received in January 2025, Marvel developed conceptual alternatives for the upland area between Pier 79 and Pier 84, and for the portions of Pier 84 slated for improvement. The concept includes a nature play area, adult fitness area, large rain garden, significantly increased planted areas in place of pavement, picnic grove, planted buffers, lawn areas, and a variety of seating areas. The concept was shared with the community (including the Advisory Council) for additional feedback on May 28th. This concept direction was warmly received and subsequently presented to the Community Board 4 Waterfront, Parks, and Environment Committee meeting on June 12th and a very encouraging letter was unanimously approved by the full CB4 board on July 23rd. Members of the public and Community Board 4 have both been enthusiastic about the concept design, including because it introduces a great deal more “green” to an area that is currently very paved. Community Board 4 also appreciated that the design concept was not overly programmed.

Because this portion of the park is on underlying City-owned property, the New York City Public Design (PDC) Commission must also approve the design. The Trust presented the plan to PDC in August and is pleased to say it was well received at its August 18th meeting. This is just the first step of PDC review; the Trust will return as designs advance and as the Trust continues to receive input from the public. The team is now advancing design based on the collective feedback and we look forward to sharing further detail in the future.

The design team also continues to develop conceptual ideas for the upland area between the privately owned Pier 78 and the NYCDOT Ferry Terminal at Pier 79, based on discussions with NYCDOT, NYCEDC, NY Waterway and Pier 78. Solutions for this zone will depend on coordination among all parties, and we look forward to sharing more information and gathering public input on this area at a future meeting.

While not part of the scope, Community Board 4 also communicated that they are eager for HRPT to reactivate the concession/restaurant space on Pier 84 including with outdoor seating to contribute to “both day and nighttime activity (such as that at Pier I Cafe located at Riverside Park at 70th Street).” HRPT has committed to doing so once the work currently under way to bring the building back into code following the previous occupancy.

Pier 40

As previously reported, in 2024, the Trust’s Board of Directors approved a \$25 million contract with Hudson Meridien for continuing infrastructure improvements at Pier 40 inclusive of upgrades to the fire suppression systems and code required work to address deficiencies identified during the required

parking garage inspection. Under the contract, Hudson Meridien was charged with scoping out costs and phasing for these and other projects, and then with securing competitive pricing for individual components of work prior to being authorized to proceed. The procurement and contract allow for the amount of the contract to be increased as detailed scopes of work for the various Pier 40 projects are developed.

Last month, the Trust authorized the first major scope item under this contract related to continuing upgrades to the building's fire suppression systems at a cost of \$8.7 million, excluding design and construction management. Bidding is now under way for design of a new fire alarm system and for structural repairs to the parking garage. All of this work is expected to be very costly due both to the building's sheer scale and to the complex phasing needed to keep this 15-acre mixed-use building functioning for both income-generation and public open space during construction. While there is approximately \$22 million of development rights and other restricted funding available to offset these costs, the Trust expects to need to use its reserves for much of this work.

Prior to and during the Pier 40 work, coordination with all of the building occupants will need to take place. While disturbance to virtually everyone at Pier 40 inclusive of Trust staff is going to be unavoidable, the Trust aims to schedule and phase the work to minimize the pain to the degree practicable.

Pedestrian Safety & Security

This week, HRPT removed six unnecessary light poles cluttering the sidewalk in front of Pier 40 as part of its efforts to remove obstructions and free up sidewalk space. We will need to do some new concrete work in these locations, but the work will result in an improved sidewalk in a very busy location. This project is funded in part by a HUD grant directed by Congressman Nadler several years ago that has been advancing through the federal process. As part of the grant the Trust also expects to be able to replace sections of railing around Pier 40.

Estuarium Design

Upcoming on September 16, the Trust is presenting at Manhattan Community Board 1's Waterfront, Parks & Cultural Committee so that our designers, plus staff from our Design and River Project teams, can provide an update on continued planning related to the building's fish tanks, river water intake system, the science lab and classroom. You can learn how to join [here](#).

Pier 25 Turf Area

The Trust is still planning to replace the turf field on Pier 25 this fall, including concrete repairs where necessary. The project will be carried out by the same contractor who successfully completed the Pier 46 field earlier this year and is expected to take about one month.

Public Safety

Pride 2025

Overall, this year's Pride celebration in Hudson River Park overall was a success. We saw more participants and because the crowd was spread out more, were able to accommodate more people. However it was very hot and humid, which when combined with alcohol and drugs, impacted a number of patrons.

Operations support included managing rentals such as light towers, portable restrooms, EMS services, and coordinating the deployment of trash cans, temporary fencing, and janitorial supplies. Employees

from various Trust departments worked the event, ensuring the safety of Park visitors and assets.

Park staff provided EMS support to 10 people who needed first aid throughout the day for various reasons; these individuals were supported by the contracted EMS service provider that the Trust hires annually to provide extra support, beyond what NYC can provide. Two of those had to be removed to the hospital for treatment. There were also several fights that broke out that resulted in one arrest, and a macing incident that sent an additional two individuals to the hospital and required two PEP officers to be treated on the scene.

As is always the case, the Trust would not be able to host the more than 16,000 people who attend the celebrations throughout the day in the concentrated geographic area centered on Christopher Street without extensive additional support from NYPD, whose help is needed to assist with crowd management. Prior to Pride, HRPT was sued once again by the individual who has brought litigation against HRPT and others numerous times including opposing the design of the Gansevoort Peninsula. This year's suits were brought because HRPT denied her permit request for a DJ event in the midst of the mass gathering on Pride Sunday; we offered multiple alternatives including a different location that day or different dates. The plaintiff's request for a TRO was denied in State court.

National Night Out

On August 5, the Trust and PEP participated in the National Night Out near Pier 51. National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that aims to enhance the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement fostering a sense of community. It provides an opportunity for law enforcement and community members to come together in a positive environment, promoting safety and camaraderie. This year the event in HRP included PEP horses, face painters, stick-on tattoos and many giveaways.

Homeless Related Conditions

Near the end of the Spring, we noticed an increase in apparently homeless individuals gathering in areas throughout the park. At that time, we shared that we were not experiencing many of the quality of life issues that are typically associated with increases in homeless populations. That has changed and we have recently been experiencing many of the challenges seen in public spaces citywide associated with people experiencing homelessness including incidents involving emotionally disturbed persons intimidating park patrons and staff, damage to park property, minor thefts, and littering. In some cases, these incidents are substantially interfering with others' use and enjoyment of the park. Fortunately, we have not had encampments in the Park; everybody is required to leave the park after 1:00AM closing. PEP officers of course routinely offer help and assistance in obtaining services to those they encounter. While assistance is mostly declined, the most common request is for medical assistance. PEP will remain vigilant in keeping all Park patrons, including those who are homeless, safe.

Water safety and in-water incidents

Over the summer, PEP observed a number of people who were in the water or over the Park railings and safely oversaw most of these people getting out of the water or back to the piers or esplanade areas. Unfortunately, in July, two people took their own lives just south of Pier 40 in separate incidents. In both cases, the emotionally disturbed individuals entered the water intentionally. In both cases, rescue attempts were made within minutes of them entering the water, including using the Park's life rings to no avail. In one case two good Samaritans entered the river in an attempt to rescue the emotionally disturbed person but then needed to be rescued themselves.

Real Estate & Planning

Gateway

The Trust has been working extensively with Gateway & Amtrak as it prepares to pass through the Park – from the water through to Route 9A and beyond. Gateway is presenting to both the Advisory Council and Manhattan CB4 this month on the surface impacts, including temporary relocation of the NYS DOT's Route 9A Bikeway and the pedestrian esplanade.

Youth Baseball RFP

In June, following a competitive RFP process, the Trust conditionally awarded an occupancy agreement to P3 for the principal purpose of conducting and promoting affordable, year-round youth baseball and softball programming at scale at Pier 40. The agreement has since been executed. The initial term of the agreement is for one year and four months with up to two additional two-year extension terms. We look forward to continuing working with P3.

Gansevoort and Chelsea Waterside Park Concessions

At the May meeting, HRPT announced that it had selected an operator -- Mavik Enterprises, Inc d/b/a Hudson Plate -- to operate the Gansevoort concession space and that we were continuing to work with a potential operator for the Chelsea Waterside Park kiosk. Since then, Hudson Plate has completed work required to operate the space as a food concession and is going through final DOB inspection and permit sign off currently. We are hoping for a soft opening by approximately mid-September, with alcohol sales (wine and beer only) on hold until the SLA process is undertaken, which we expect will commence at CB2 shortly. At Chelsea Waterside, the Trust selected New York Picnic Company, which is also operating the Pier 62 Carousel. This vendor is still in the process of completing their improvements and finalizing required Department of Health inspections. We will provide an update in our next meeting; in the meantime, the vendor is doing limited sales from a pushcart.

Pier 57 New Restaurants

We are happy to announce that the two remaining restaurants planned for Pier 57 will be having their Grand Openings on September 15th. Miru will operate from the rooftop pavilion and will showcase the artistry of Japanese cuisine including a curated selection of authentic Izakaya and Sushi while also offering an unparalleled collection of Sake and Japanese Whisky. Located on the western end of the ground floor, ofCorsica will bringing the flavors of the Mediterranean to Pier 57. Inspired by the island of Corsica, visitors can expect fresh seafood, vibrant produce, olive oil artistry, and NYC's largest selection of Corsican wines.

Route 9A Taskforce

Following May and June's outreach meetings, the Trust participated alongside our local community boards and the Advisory Council in a follow-up meeting with NYS DOT. You can see the presentation [here](#), which includes a corridor vision that will guide the project, along with goals and objectives for the study. Our understanding is that NYS DOT is currently working on concept development, and will reengage the Transportation Partnering Committee and the wider community as that process continues.

Erie Canal Boat Seneca Chief Visit

On September 24, 2025, the Erie Canal Boat *Seneca Chief* will embark on the Bicentennial Voyage from Buffalo to New York Harbor, commemorating Gov. DeWitt Clinton's 1825 inaugural canal journey. The *Seneca Chief* and its two accompanying vessels will reach the Park's Pier 26 for celebrations on October 25 & 26. The Trust has been coordinating with the Buffalo Maritime Center, the NYS Canal Corporation, and other involved governmental agencies on planning for this exciting opportunity where people will

be able to learn about a vital part of New York history. More details will be shared as we get closer, but you should expect to be able to explore the boat, learn about how the canal helped shape our State and enjoy hands-on activities.

Sail 4th 250 and More

It is now less than a year before the festivities of July 4, 2026 will be occurring in honor of the 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. There are multiple different entities planning massive events on and around July 4th including the tall ship parade and site visits being organized by Sail4th250, the naval parade and aerial shows being planned by the U.S. Navy and the federal government, and the Macy's July 4th Fireworks (which we currently understand will not be in Hudson River Park but this could change). In addition, the World Cup for men's soccer will also be taking place at that time at the Meadowlands. HRPT has had multiple conversations with various of the parties but does not yet have any details on any of the plans, or the security or other arrangements. We know that this is of keen interest to the public and to our park tenants, but NYC and numerous other agencies will need to consider safety and security issues at a macro level before they will be prepared to address the more micro (from the national perspective) issues related to Hudson River Park. We will keep the Advisory Council posted as we learn more.

Environmental and Sanctuary Initiatives

Habitat Enhancement Long-Term Monitoring

This summer marked the fourth consecutive year of research at Tribeca's Habitat Enhancement corridor and the second year of Gansevoort research. Together, these research projects have brought experts from across the region to help the Trust evaluate the health of the oysters and to understand how these enhancements are providing improved habitat for benthic, epibenthic, and mobile species (such as fish and crabs). New to both projects this season was the inclusion of environmental DNA component to provide a more comprehensive analysis of the fish population using each site. Keep an eye out for our annual summary of findings that we share on the park's website each winter. Also, in case you missed it, our most famous oyster, Big, was recognized in *The New York Times*'s Newsletter, highlighting the power of oysters as crucial habitat builders.

Richard Lounsbery Foundation Funding

We are pleased to share that the Trust received \$94,990 in funding from the Richard Lounsbery Foundation (RLF), which was founded in 1959 with a goal to enhance national strengths in science and technology, among other things. The grant was awarded to allow the Trust to continue and grow our leadership role in the Lower Hudson River eDNA Partnership over the next two years. Each month, the Trust coordinates monthly sampling over nearly 80 miles of the Lower Hudson to sequence fish DNA. Ultimately, the goal is to develop educational resources and teacher trainings, and to make regional data on fish species more accessible. RLF's support has helped to extend the project from Norrie Point to Governors Island, such that it now represents the Lower Hudson and the Harbor. It has also helped us sustain metabarcoding analysis used to capture a wider taxonomic breadth of River wildlife than more traditional sampling techniques. The Park is looking forward to collaborating with our sampling partners to develop and share new educational applications for teachers, students, and our greater community.

Summer Internships

Our River Project team again hosted a range of interns this summer as part of the Trust's efforts to provide STEM career pathways for students and young professionals. This year, we welcomed 10 seasonal staff members, primarily current college students and young professionals, as a part of our team. Each seasonal staff member has focused on either field science or environmental education and

has been supporting the Park's ongoing public drop-in programs, field trips and scientific research.

We are also proud to have hosted our seventh consecutive Science Leadership Program which brought together a cohort of 12 high school students and 3 CUNY mentors – all of whom are students who are from communities historically underrepresented in STEM education and careers. During this six-week program, students learned about the Park's ongoing internal science projects and conducted research on the presence of plastic in gull boluses. This program culminated with a scientific poster symposium at the American Museum of Natural History where each student presented their individual research project and findings.

Summer Programs Wrap Up & Fall Preview

As the summer season has come to a close, our River Project team reflects on another great season of summer camp field trip and public drop-in programming. Summer educational programs reached over 6,000 people during a wide range of events including Big City Fishing workshops, Science After Dark events, pop-up Nature Stations, Wetlab Look-in tours and Discovery Tank Guided Gallery hours.

With the start of a new school year this past week, our educators are getting ready to welcome schools for our fall field trip programs that are already booking up quickly. Programs are offered throughout the Park with a focus on shoreline ecology, local wildlife, microscopy, pollution and climate change. Title I schools have the opportunity to sign up for one of these programs with fees fully waived as always. Please help spread the word about programs with your networks – interested teachers can sign up for a program at hudsonriverpark.org/fieldtrips or by emailing education@hrpt.ny.gov to learn more.

Fall is one of the most beautiful times to enjoy Hudson River Park, and you can enjoy seasonal celebration events focused on migrating monarchs, wildlife and composting. Our first ever Pollination Celebration will take place in the Park's Habitat Garden on Saturday September 13 and feature family-friendly nature walks, insect-inspired crafts and more. For even more wildlife moments, our Wetlab aquarium will continue to be open for free public tours on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Saturdays through October 29. Also be sure to save the date for Wednesday October 29 for the Release of the Fishes where we welcome participants to help us release our wildlife ambassadors back into the Hudson River at the end of our Wetlab season.

Public Programs

Work it Out

The Park once again delivered an expansive Healthy on the Hudson series – one that will continue through the beginning of October! The diversity of fitness modalities and partners grew this year – we worked with Tone House (conditioning), 305 Fitness (dance) and Chelsea Piers (yoga, HIIT), on Piers 25, 46, 64, and 97. This fall, we will grow our dance fitness offerings with Ajna Dance Company (Bollywood & Bhangra). Additionally, we had the pleasure of working with Ironstrength again this year too, which scheduled their classes as a tour of the Park, with nine different park locations and as many modalities featured. Bike Skills with Bike New York also returned to Pier 76 taking advantage of the large flat expanse of pier area to teach people of all ages to ride. In addition to these free, public classes, Bike New York also invited local schools and community groups to participate in weekday classes.

Dance by the Water

Pier 76 is quite the dance floor! Our beloved Sunset Salsa series brought more than 7,000 dancers, while the hustle soirees presented in partnership with Dance is Life drew 4,00 people over the four event run. We are also thrilled to share that the opportunities for dancing didn't stop on Labor Day. This year,

Sunset Salsa will return to its original home on Pier 45 for an extended series on Thursdays through the end of October.

Blues BBQ

In August, Blues BBQ Festival returned to Pier 76 for its quarter of a century showing! The Park welcomed more than 14,000 guests to the event, featuring delicious BBQ, fantastic blues music and all-day fun. The mainstage featured incredible artists including Ivy Ford, Dawn Tyler Watson and the Blackburn Brothers, while the second stage, presented in partnership with the Jazz Foundation of America, hosted Jimmy Hill, Seydurah AVECmoi and Jonathan Kalb. The food line-up welcomed back returning favorites like Dinosaur, Jase's and Kimchi Smoke as well as newcomer Tikkun BBQ, Astoria's community-focused, mission-driven mobile pop-up. This year, the Trust also added a Kid Zone, complete with sensory play, games and bubbles, a Cooling Station, with misters providing relief on a beautiful but hot day, and a water bottle refiller. New this year was "Hot Sauce Alley" and our very first hot sauce eating contest! Hudson River Park Friends supported Blues BBQ and our entire events season. This year, we also got sponsorship support for Blues BBQ from fantastic new sponsors from Rivian, Lagunitas, Tito's, GT's Living Foods and more!

Jazz & Blues

In addition to programming Blues BBQ Festival's Second Stage, Jazz Foundation of America worked with the Park to continue the crowd-favorite series Jazz at Pier 84, attracting nearly 2,000 jazz lovers from June – August, and Pier 97 series Boardwalk Blues, featuring historic blues artists on the stunning lawn.

Broadway by the Boardwalk

Our Broadway by the Boardwalk series returned to Clinton Cove and smashing success! The Monday night concert series, featuring some of Broadway's biggest stars on their dark night, had over 5,000 attendees over the course of its expanded 6-night run. Performances featured talented stars, including the original Broadway cast of several shows, including Jennifer Holliday from Dreamgirls and Anthony Rapp and Adam Pascal from Rent.

Community Events

The Trust hosted a number of events in June that focused on connecting communities to the Park and its environment. Pier 45 hosted two meaningful cultural celebrations— our first ever Juneteenth Celebration with Ladies of Hip Hop, local nonprofit organization providing artistic opportunities for girls and women in Hip-Hop culture, with a showcase of Black American dance, and a Pride Celebration with Papi Juice, celebrating the lives and art of queer and trans people of color.

Also in June, Trust partnered with Wheeling Forward's "Play It Forward" program, which offers children, adults, and veterans with disabilities the chance to experience the thrill of wheelchair skating in a supportive and inclusive environment for fun-filled day of adaptive skating at the Pier 62 Skatepark. Attendees got to meet WCMX pro Aaron "Wheelz" Fotheringham! The Trust also partnered the Kiki Coalition & the Hendrick Martin Institute to host Youth Pride Fest on Pier 76 for a (this year rainy) day of games, food, prizes, and a KiKi Ball Showdown, among other activities. This vibrant event also connects youth with various city services and community groups to offer LGBTQ friendly support like housing aid, healthcare, education help, and counseling services. As a bonus, attendees can get free and confidential HIV and STI testing.

We also have two more community celebrations on the horizon, featuring music, crafts and fun for all ages, on Saturday, September 20 from 12:00 – 4:00 PM in Chelsea Waterside Park with the Chelsea Waterside Park Association, and on Saturday, September 27 from 12:00 – 4:00 PM, with the West 44th St. Better Block Association and Friends of Pier 84. Please share the attached flyers!

Sponsor Our Programming

Hudson River Park is always on the hunt for sponsors for our free public programming. We welcome your ideas and connections!

Up Next

The fun is not over! We look forward to an action-packed fall. Beyond Sunset Salsa and Healthy on the Hudson, we have a new offering: *Rhapsody* with KEIGWIN + COMPANY. *Rhapsody* is an original community work that celebrates the joy of dance and harnesses the unique spirit and talents of its diverse cast of performers – community members can join for open rehearsals, leading to two days of performances alongside professional dancers on Pier 84!

14th Street Park will see an unusual new visitor, in the form of a giant inflatable turtle in early October! Created by renowned French company Plasticiens Volants and guided by G.Peter Jemison (Seneca, Heron Clan) - artist, historian, and educator - Turtle Island features choreography by Sky Woman Iroquois Dance Theater in a family-friendly event filled with awe, beauty, and meaning. Come witness the birth of the world atop the turtle's back through a story of resilience, connection, and care for the Earth that speaks across generations and cultures.

Pumpkin Smash

We are also looking forward to seeing you at our annual Pumpkin Smash event on Saturday, November 1, where participants can smash, squish and smush their old pumpkins to smithereens, and extend their usability to become compost to keep Hudson River Park green and growing. Don't forget to BYOP (Bring Your Own Pumpkin)! For more information and dates for what else is in store for the fall, please visit hudsonriverpark.org/events.

Permits & Events

Throughout the summer, the Park permitted over 130+ events, from film shoots to birthday parties, special events to activations. A few of our most exciting large scale event permittees returning are Hyrox, Walk MS and Bike MS, and the Park is thrilled to welcome EeeeeeatsCon on October 4 and 5 to Pier 76.

Our incredibly busy permitting team also brought in exciting activations, like Soda Stream, Blank Street Coffee with a Pop-Up café in the Park and Santa's Knights (a nonprofit bringing Gladiator and Medieval Combat training to folks regardless of ability to pay), the Unicycle Festival and Stairwell Theatre performing the Comedy of Errors at Pier 40.

Field Permits

The athletic fields also had a tremendous season – the summer season was made up of 60 permittees and times spanned over 4,800 hours. This Fall, the Park is expected to welcome 80 permittees and is permitting a little more than 6,500 hours. Applications for the winter field season opened Monday, September 1 with a due date of Monday, September 15 for a season that starts on Monday, December

1, 2025. Visit hudsonriverpark.org/fields for more information on how to apply and review weekly field schedules.

Operations

Keeping the Park running smoothly with so many activities and heavy summer season of use is no small task. This season the Trust filled two new full-time positions for field level supervisors in our Horticulture and Maintenance departments. The supervisors will oversee teams and operations on the ground, provide better oversight on weekends and will help ensure we continue to meet our high standard of care for the Park.

Some interesting factoids:

- Trust staff moved over 800 barricades for Pride Sunday celebration setup and moved them again to return to storage.
- We have spent 60 hours cleaning graffiti since June 1. Same period in 2024 was 101 hours.
- The Trust is replacing soap dispensers and toilet paper roll dispensers on a more frequent basis due to vandalism in the bathrooms.
- The Park has gone through 160 cases of toilet paper in the last 90 days. 64 of which were over the last 30 days.

Parkwide Trash Cans

New trash cans were purchased and will be deployed in the Fall, replacing the DSNY cans in the Tribeca and Greenwich Village neighborhoods of the park. The older trash cans will be returned to DSNY for use throughout the city.

Carousel Tables Deployment

In July, new carousel tables with seating were purchased and deployed throughout the park. Existing carousel tables and chairs were also reorganized and repositioned to provide additional seating in higher traffic areas of the park, such as the Eastern end of Pier 45 and the Western ends of Piers 46 and 64.

New York State DOT's Route 9A Bikeway

In continued coordination with State DOT's maintenance team, Operations staff have been routinely communicating bikeway paver issues to State DOT, who has an active contractor addressing paver issues. The Operations team continues to coordinate bikeway light repairs with New York City DOT. Over the summer, lights between Gansevoort St. and Jane St. were repaired and bulbs were replaced with new LEDs. NYC DOT's contractor will continue lighting repairs South of Jane St. over the course of the next few months.

Parkwide Equipment/Vehicle Decals

Since last year, the Trust has added (20) new pieces of vehicles and equipment to its fleet to replace equipment that has reached the end of its life, as well as to help support the increased maintenance and security demand as new Park sections have been completed. New vehicles and equipment, which includes vehicles for PEP, golfcarts and Motrecs, will be branded in the Fall before they are deployed for use into the Park.

Facilities

The Facilities team has been hard at work keeping the Park in a state of good repair over the summer. Over the summer, the team worked with a marine contractor to repair the gangway that services the Pier 66 Boathouse. They also are working in collaboration with the IT Department on the transition from

copper phone lines to fiber optics, which support greater levels of internet and phone service for various Park buildings. The team is also working with the Trust's Design and Construction department to repair wear-damaged piles at Pier 25 Mooring Field dock.

Horticulture

Since June 1, the Park's Horticulture team has planted 436 annuals, 1769 perennials, and 165 shrubs, while keeping the Park green and growing through the summer heat. The Trust partnered with Battery Park City to recycle 1005 planting pots. The Horticulture team also worked with Hudson River Park Friends to host 31 corporate volunteer events with just over 1000 volunteers participating.