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## **Mayor Spano joins Municipal Housing Authority of the City of Yonkers to tour renovations to affordable housing**

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Touring renovation work at Walsh Homes, from left, MHACY executive director Joseph Shuldiner and Yonkers mayor Mike Spano.

Yonkers, NY Mayor Mike Spano joined with officials from the Municipal Housing Authority of the City of Yonkers (MHACY) for a tour of two affordable housing complexes that have undergone major renovations. The tour, which was held May 31, featured William Walsh Homes at 75 Walsh Rd. and William Schlobohm Houses at Schroeder St. Joseph Shuldiner, executive director, MHACY, led the tour with mayor Spano and representatives of L+M Development Partners, the co-developer and general contractor for the projects.

The total cost of the renovations is \$35 million for Walsh and \$48 million for Schlobohm. Renovations are also being made to John Flynn Manor at 334 Riverside Ave., bringing the total cost of the three projects to \$100.4 million. Funding for the extensive renovations was provided by the State of New York Homes and Community Renewal.

Among the many improvements are:

- Renovated kitchens including cabinets, lighting, counters, flooring, painting and appliances; renovated bathrooms including new fixtures, lighting, cabinets, tub enclosures, flooring and painting; renovated apartment interiors including new LED lighting and painting.
- Specific ADA compliant apartments designed for accessibility.
- Elevator repairs, cab refurbishment and upgrades including in cab security cameras.
- New security cameras in hallways and lobbies throughout the two complexes. The security system can be accessed by property managers via iPhone or laptop computer and will be accessible by the Police Department.
- New windows, doors and roofing; new exterior cladding on windows and roofs and newly

renovated balconies at Walsh Houses.

- Renovated community rooms, new playgrounds and upgrade outdoor recreation areas.

“Yonkers is committed in providing quality homes to our affordable housing stock,” said mayor Spano. “These renovations breathe new life and energy into the lives and homes our residents. I want to thank all our federal, state and local partners in making the funds available for this much-needed investment, as well as MHACY’s board and its executive director Joe Shuldiner for his leadership and perseverance in ensuring our residents live in safe and healthy environments.”

The Schlobohm Houses complex, located in the downtown area, consists of eight elevator buildings. Each building is eight-stories, and is accessible to public transportation, medical services, restaurants, shopping and places of worship. The complex has one-bedroom to four-bedroom sized units, and there are multiple handicap accessible units on the property.

Walsh Homes is a senior community that consists of three eight-story elevator buildings that include efficiency units, one-bedroom units, and multiple handicap accessible units. Many of the units have balconies. All units are cable and Verizon Fios ready. Located in the downtown area, it is accessible to public transportation, medical services, places of worship, and a wide array of shops and restaurants.

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