

# Contact Us

166A 22nd Street,  
Sunset Park, Brooklyn, NY 11232

Give us a call:  
tel: 718-492-9307

Send us an email:  
info@uprose.org

visit us online:

[www.uprose.org](http://www.uprose.org)

## *Our People Nuestra Gente*

Elizabeth C. Yeampierre  
Executive Director

Alexandra DelValle  
Deputy Director/Policy Analyst

Cece Carpio  
Environmental Justice  
Programs Coordinator

Joaquin Sanchez Jr  
Youth Organizing Coordinator

Heather Ramirez  
Education Justice Fellow

Soledad Gaztambide  
Transportation Justice Coordinator

Lavina Maykut  
Development Director

 UPROSE  
166A 22nd Street  
Brooklyn, NY 11232



# Sembrando Futuros

Community  
Empowerment  
for the  
Green Economy



UPROSE  
[www.uprose.org](http://www.uprose.org)



**About UPROSE** UPROSE is dedicated to the development of Southwest Brooklyn and the empowerment of its residents primarily through broad and converging environmental, sustainable development, and youth justice campaigns. Founded in 1966, UPROSE is Brooklyn's oldest Latino community-based organization. We aim to ensure and heighten community awareness and involvement, develop participatory community planning practices, and promote sustainable development with justice and governmental accountability.

## **Sembrando Futuros- Community Empowerment for the Green Economy**

**Sembrando Futuros-Community Empowerment for the Green Economy** is a program to introduce, educate and train community members of Sunset Park on local and sustainable job development opportunities and create environmental and economical equality in the Sunset Park community. Participants of our program will receive certification to conduct Environmental Justice tours of Sunset Park, training to become tree stewards for the urban environment and community educators about Climate Justice issues in Sunset Park, and access to information and opportunities for their children through our Youth Justice program.

Upon completion of the program, Sembrando Futuros Leaders will have the greatest and most immediate impacts on our community's environmental health and justice issues. The program is designed to enhance the participants' roles in their current employment or create opportunities for growth. Leaders will also be given opportunities to be contracted on an ongoing basis as consultants to various

UPROSE programs. UPROSE will also connect them to other employment resources when possible.

### **SUNSET PARK ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE TOUR**

Participants will be trained to provide Environmental Justice tours of Sunset Park and its waterfront, as well as parts of Bay Ridge and Red Hook. They will learn about community mapping and planning, zoning, demographics, and its social, economic, and environmental impacts. Tours are conducted both through walking and on UPROSE's Hybrid Bus. Participants who have a Certified Driver's License (CDL) will be qualified to take our Hybrid Bus drivers training. Other interested participants will have the opportunity train for CDL licensing and qualify to drive a Hybrid Bus.

### **CLIMATE JUSTICE SPEAKERS**

Participants will be trained to educate and speak about the issues of climate change in Sunset Park and other waterfront communities. They will learn public speaking and presentation skills, and given opportunities to educate in schools, other community-based organizations, business groups and companies, and city agencies. Topics will include climate change, the short

and long term health, social, economic and environmental impacts, and actions individuals can take to relieve and adapt to climate change.

### **URBAN FORESTRY**

Participants will be trained in tree inventory, management planning, assessment, planting techniques, pruning and tree care and removal, tree pest and health issues, and volunteer training and management practices. Trees provide numerous environmental, social and economic benefits for people, yet urban areas are challenging environments for trees to grow and survive in. By actively managing our community forests, we protect these valuable resources and preserve and/or enhance the resulting benefits.

### **YOUTH JUSTICE**

Parents will be trained on the latest trends in youth development and on ways to prepare for their children's education and college future.



*"Siempre En Lucha Y Siempre Por Nuestra Gente"*