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UPDATES AND DEVELOPMENTS

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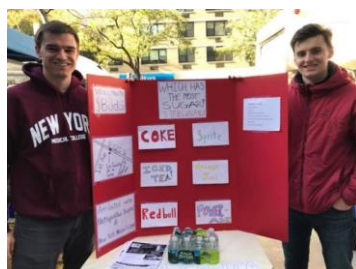
# New Year, New Change

## Health Bucks

Health Bucks are \$2 coupons distributed by the NYC Health Department, redeemable at all NYC farmers markets. La Casita received and distributed Health Bucks to our patients, who used them to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables for themselves and their families.

## Community Outreach

La Casita’s community outreach team has been involved in the local church Saint Cecilia’s Parish. Our volunteers engaged church-goers in the healthcare system and distributed fresh fruit.



## Net Impact

La Casita has partnered up with Net Impact, a nonprofit entrepreneur organization, to leverage the strengths of a network of professionals in the healthcare system. Together, we have identified community organizations to partner with and strategies to engage with the East Harlem community at large.

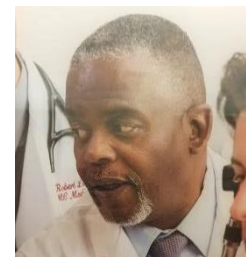
## Community Partnerships

La Casita’s partnership with the MAS program, a Mexican Embassy liaison as a part of Metropolitan Hospital, connects women without regular access to GYN services to La Casita and its women’s health services.



### Jonna Mercado, MD

Dr. Mercado is an internist who had been with La Casita since its early days. She has prioritized her Saturdays to teaching NYMC students and caring for patients at the clinic. Her dedication to the students contributes to the benevolent spirit of La Casita.



### Ray Whitt, MD

Dr. Whitt is an OB/GYN physician with La Casita and the director for the OB/GYN clerkship at NYMC. Dr. Whitt’s compassion for patients and passion for teaching have left long-lasting impact on both. His service and mentorship is a reflection of La Casita’s mission.