Serviam Gardens was developed in response to the need for affordable housing for low-income seniors in our community. The Bedford Park Community of the Ursuline Sisters approached Fordham Bedford Housing Corporation with the opportunity to lease a portion of its Bedford Park campus to develop housing for seniors. FBHC used an integrated design approach to build a lasting and affordable home that promotes good health and community for its senior residents.

Facilities
Serviam Gardens was intentionally designed to encourage community involvement for its residents. The facilities provide ample opportunity for residents to meet their emotional and physical health needs through activities and relationship building. These facilities include the following:

1. A Gym
2. An exercise room for yoga, tai chi, and dance classes
3. A media room
4. A game room
5. A library
6. A laundry room in each building
7. An urban farm
8. A rooftop garden
9. Community rooms and gathering spaces

Activities
Serviam staff organizes educational and social activities for tenants to build community and promote health. These include holiday parties, special events, guest speakers, group outings, game clubs, and exercise classes. Staff assists tenants in applying and re-certifying for health care, social services, and entitlement programs. English as a Second Language classes and immigration services are also offered.

Staff
Serviam Gardens staff administers social services, coordinates social activities and events, and maintains the building. Onsite personnel include the following:

- Citizenship and Immigration Specialist
- Facility Manager, Superintendents and Porters
- Program Coordinator
- Property Manager
- Occupancy Clerk
- Security Staff
- Student Volunteers
- Support Services Coordinator

Physical Fitness
Celebrations
Tenant Clubs