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**JPMorgan Donates Free Building To Bronx Arts Council**

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The Bronx Council on the Arts will soon be able to use an \$850,000 building free of charge, after JPMorgan Chase donated the structure to the organization.

The council helps thousands of artists and hundreds of community based organizations with job training, fellowships and show space for art.

It will soon work out of the old Washington Mutual bank branch building on East Tremont Avenue in Westchester Square.

"The Bronx is as much the basis of New York as it's ever been," said Mayor Michael Bloomberg at the Monday announcement for the donation.

"When you think of artists you're now going to think of the Bronx," said James Vacca, one of the borough's City Council members.

"Not only will it give the public better access to us, it gives us better access to the people that we serve," said Deirdre Scott of the Bronx Council on the Arts.

The arts council should be settled in its new building in time for its 50th anniversary next year.