

HUNT FOR MONSTER! \$10,000 Bounty for Westchester Square Rapist



By David Greene

Senator Ruben Diaz, Sr., and Senator Pedro Espada announced that a \$10,000 reward is now being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individual responsible for the rape and beating of a 79-year-old woman in the elevator of her Westchester Square building.

Diaz has teamed up with Senator Pedro Espada in offering a combined \$5,000 and an additional \$5,000 coming from the Federal Law Enforcement Foundation.

Diaz joined Anthony Herbert of The Urban Community Council, as well as members of the NYPD and the Guardian Angels safety patrol, just hours after the NYPD released a composite sketch of the attacker, described as a male Hispanic in his 20's, 5 foot 7 and was seen wearing an NY Yankees baseball cap.

Police said the unidentified woman was severely beaten in the attack that took place in her Benson Street building, across the street from The Lewis and Clark School, at 2 a.m. on Monday, July 19th.

Diaz said of the suspect, "This guy has to be caught. This lady was not only raped but she was beaten. We have to send him to a place he belongs."

Herbert asked the public, "If you know who he is... we can not tolerate this anymore. This person is sick and has to be caught."

Benjamin Garcia, the operations director of the Guardian Angels, stated he, "hoped this didn't happen again," while announcing the Guardian Angels would be patrolling the area until the individual is in custody.

Meanwhile, police announced the arrest of EMS EMT Angus Pascall, 33, who had been charged in a string of sex assaults in Brooklyn, the most recent was the attack last week of an 11-year old girl in her building's elevator.

Anyone with any information on the Westchester Square attack is asked to call CrimeStoppers at 1 (800) 577-TIPS.