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Pursuant to Local Law 123 of 2018, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene submits the following status report to the City Council on the development of animal shelters in Queens and the Bronx.

**Queens Shelter**

Animal Care Centers of NYC has completed construction of the Queens shelter, known formally as the Paul A. Vallone Queens Animal Care Center, at 19-06 Flushing Ave. in Ridgewood. Ribbon cutting and grand opening event took place on 9/10/2024.

**Bronx Shelter**

The Bronx animal shelter project, slated for development at 2050 Bartow Avenue in Co-Op City, is now in construction phase.

**Current Construction Status**

- Building foundations and slab on grade complete.
- Structural steel frame complete.
- Mechanical, electrical, and plumbing rough-in work ongoing.

**Estimated timeline for completion**

- Substantial construction completion is anticipated for late Fall 2025 and opening projected for Winter 2025-2026.