



Assemblymember
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Assembly District 44

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Greetings--

Earlier this week, I joined over 100 members of the Bangladeshi community in my district for a discussion about the Port Authority incident and its aftermath. At the meeting, we all agreed that the individual who committed this act deserves our condemnation and punishment. We had a wide ranging conversation about making sure that Bangladeshi and Muslim New Yorkers are not maligned because of the acts of this one individual and that as community we stand together against any form of violence and hatred.



I am proud to represent the largest Bangladeshi population in the Borough of Brooklyn, and one of the largest Muslim populations. I know many of the men, women and children of this community and they, like all of my other constituents condemn this act and wish only to live in a city that affords all of us safety and prosperity.



We are lucky that our police officers and other first responders were on the scene immediately and were able to mitigate the situation quickly. I am thankful that only a few New Yorkers were injured and that those injuries were not life threatening. I hope that we take this moment and remain vigilant that these actions will not divide us, make us change our lives, nor encourage us to embrace cynicism so that all New Yorkers can be proud to share this community.

Celebrating the first night of Hanukkah in Boro Park



On Tuesday evening, it was my pleasure to join the leadership of Community Board 12, the FDNY, other colleagues in government, and many happy community members to celebrate the first night of Hanukkah. This is a wonderful time of year to celebrate and reflect on all that for which we are grateful.



See you around the neighborhood,

Bobby

P.S. On January 3rd, Governor Cuomo will make his state of the state address in Albany. I expect that in his speech he will lay out in broad strokes the state's fiscal health, plans for the MTA, our schools, and outline how we're going to respond to possible budget cuts and tax changes coming out of Washington. This will kick off three intense months of negotiation between the Governor and Legislature about the New York State Budget. I look forward to hearing your thoughts on the budget as I keep you updated throughout the process.

Community Events – The Week Ahead

Community Board 7 Monthly Meeting

CB 7 Office

4201 4th Avenue, entrance on 43rd Street

Wednesday, December 20

6:30pm

Open to community members. The [CB 7](#) monthly meeting is typically scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month at the CB 7 office but location moves around occasionally.

70th Precinct Community Council

United Cerebral Palsy

175 Lawrence Avenue

Wednesday, December 20 (rescheduled for the holidays)

7:30pm

Open to community members. The [70th Precinct Community Council](#) meetings typically take place on the last Wednesday of each month.

66th Precinct Community Council

CB 12 Office

5910 13th Avenue

Thursday, December 21

7:30pm

Open to community members. The 66th [Precinct Community Council](#) meetings typically take place on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30pm at CB 12's office.

CAMBA Community Advisory Board for the Park Slope Women's Shelter

Park Slope Armory

1402 8th Avenue

Thursday, December 21

6:30PM to 8:00PM

Please RSVP to Talisha Easterling, Director at TalishaE@camba.org and Rasheedah Boyd at RasheedahB@camba.org if you plan to attend. Usually meets the third Thursday of the month.

Community Board 12 Monthly Meeting

Amico Senior Citizens Center

5901 13th Ave

Tuesday, December 26

6:30pm

Open to community members. The CB 12 board meeting is typically scheduled on the last Tuesday of the month.

Help Someone in Need this Holiday Season

Toys for Tots w/Park Slope Civic Council

Make sure no child goes without a present to open this Holiday season. My office is partnering with the Park Slope Civic Council to collect gifts for Toys for Tots. Donate a new or very gently used unwrapped gift for children ages 12 and under at locations across the Slope, including my district office. All toys collected are given to local organizations that work with families in need.

100 Suits for 100 Men

My office is a temporary collection location for the non-profit [100 Suits for 100 Men](#). This community program serves men and women in need of business attire for the job search process. **The mission of 100 Suits for 100 Men is "to help underprivileged men and women improve their role in society, build dignity and self-esteem, foster self-sufficiency, dispel stereotypes, and promote community involvement in order to build each other up."** 100 Suits for 100 Men seeks Business Attire in both Men's and Women's sizes from XS to 6X along with belts, briefcases, purses, ties and shoes.

Relief Drive for Victims of Hurricane Maria

Our relief drive for victims of Hurricane Maria continues, so if you would like to contribute, we are still accepting baby wipes, diapers, water, batteries, and feminine hygiene products at my district office.

****Donations for all of these efforts should be brought to my District Office in Park Slope, located at 416 7th Avenue (Between 13th & 14th Street) Monday – Friday from 9:30am-4:30pm. My District Office will be closed the week of December 25 and will reopen on January 2, 2018, so please bring all donations by the close of business on 12/22.*

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