



Assemblywoman

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REPORTS TO THE PEOPLE

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Dear Neighbors,

It is truly an honor and a privilege to serve as your Assemblymember. We have been able to accomplish a lot this year, we passed a budget that moves our community forward, increased the minimum wage, and implemented paid family leave, so families don't have to choose between taking care of loved one or losing their paycheck. I fought cuts to Medicaid and higher education that would have severely impacted residents of the 29th Assembly District.

When you elected me as your Assemblywoman I promised to fight every day to make sure that our neighborhoods receive their fair share of available state tax dollars and that our voices be heard on issues that matter most to our community. I look forward to seeing many of you this summer at different events that I will be hosting in and around the district. As always if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact my office at 718-723-5412.

Yours in Service,

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Assemblywoman 29th District



Foreclosure

Foreclosures have hit our community harder than anywhere else in the state. Many of these homes have been vacant for years bringing down our property values, attracting squatters and criminal activity. That's why I was proud to have cosponsored and help pass foreclosure relief legislation to help improve our community and make sure banks are held responsible for homes in their possession. If there is a foreclosed home near you please contact my office so we can put it in our database and help make sure that the banks respond in the appropriate manner. If you're a homeowner in need of mortgage assistance, you can come to my District Office to meet with a representative from the Parodneck Foundation every other Wednesday. Please contact my office at 718-723-5412 to make an appointment.

Education

In this year's budget, I voted to increase education funding by over \$1 billion dollars. This will bring more resources to our schools ensuring every child receives the education they deserve.

In addition we helped pass the My Brother's Keeper Initiative. President Obama challenged us to create a program that would address the needs of our young men of color. We were the first in the nation to implement this program and I'll continue to work closely with the New York State Department of Education to ensure that it works for our children.



Criminal Justice

Over the past few months I've met with judges and sat in court rooms looking for innovative ways to help keep our children out of the legal system. That's why I introduced and passed legislation that would allow for youthful offenders and juvenile delinquents to receive vocational training. By providing youth with vocational skills, we will help lower the recidivism rate and break the cycle many find themselves trapped in.

This bill provides those with youthful offender status the opportunity to learn and develop vocational skills needed to advance to higher levels of education and higher wage jobs.



Legislation

Here are other key pieces of legislation that I have supported to help our community if you have any ideas for legislation please contact our office.

A4427

Establishes the New York state first home savings program to authorize first time home buyers to establish savings accounts to buy their first home

A8580

Safe Staffing for Quality Care Act

A8606

Prohibits motor vehicle insurers from discrimination on the basis of socioeconomic factors in determining algorithms used to construct actuarial tables, coverage terms, premiums and/or rates

A10392

Provides for a 5% automobile insurance premium reduction for non-commercial passenger motor vehicles equipped with an operating dashboard camera

A10730

Relates to establishing the New York state community restoration fund

A10712

Relates to pre-clearance of voting-related regulations and policies

Around the Community

The last six months have been busy in District 29. I'm honored to stand shoulder to shoulder with you, working to make our community better.

Please be on the lookout for the upcoming events I'll be hosting to beautify our community and strengthen our neighborhoods. For more information please contact my office for the upcoming events and to sign up for my newsletter.



Rosedale Civic
Updating the Rosedale Civic Association about the Budget.



Rain Barrel

Working side by side with the NYPD Explorers during my Rain Barrel Giveaway with the Department of Environmental Protection.



Laurelton Town Hall

Meeting with the residents of Laurelton during a town hall meeting.



Addesleigh Park Clean Up

Rolled up my sleeves and helped out the Addesleigh Park Civic Association Clean Up.



Seniors

I love stopping by and chatting with my friends at the senior center. We always have a great time.

Springfield Gardens

Jackie Foster of the Springfield Gardens Taxpayers stopped by to discuss issues in the neighborhood.



Transportation

Commuter Rail Equity

With the longest commute times in the entire city, residents of the 29th Assembly District live in a transportation desert. It takes an average of at least 2 hours to get from worksites in Manhattan and Brooklyn to our homes.

To help address this daily burden faced by tens of thousands of residents in the community, I introduced legislation that would allow for commuter rail fares within the five boroughs to equal the cost of a Metrocard. This measure would make the LIRR an affordable alternative for residents in the 29th Assembly District, saving about an hour each way and providing residents with valuable time to spend with family or taking care of other important needs.

Flooding

District 29 Water Task Force

In response to the constant flooding we face, I voted to include \$200 million in water infrastructure upgrades to help address the flooding in parts of the district. In addition, I have created the District 29 Water Task force to look into long-term solutions to provide relief for our community. The task force includes the Department of Environmental Protection and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation. By bringing these two agencies together along with key community stakeholders, we can tackle the issues of chronic flooding in our community.



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Public Safety

116th precinct

When I became the Assemblywoman for the 29th District, one of my first conversations with Mayor de Blasio was about the creation of a new precinct in the community. I'm truly grateful that the precinct has become a reality after so many years. This was a true team effort and I want to thank my colleagues in government and most of all the civic and community leaders who fought long and hard to make this happen.

Security Cameras

Earlier this session, I was able to re-allocate \$1.1 million for security camera's to be installed throughout the 29th Assembly District. These cameras will be placed by the New York City Police Department based on the needs of the community. The safety of my constituents is of my utmost concern. I have recently met with the President of the Dormitory Authority, the agency tasked with processing the allocation. Thanks to the support of our local civic groups, I am happy to report the project is on track to be completed.