



Assemblyman Clyde Vanel

Reports to the Community



Fall/Winter 2021

Happy Holidays from the Office of Assemblyman Clyde Vanel

During one of the toughest times in our history, the New York State Assembly rose to the occasion to meet the challenges we faced. This session we passed groundbreaking legislation and delivered a historic budget that met the needs of New Yorkers during this difficult time. Our work is helping to lead the recovery from this global pandemic and has put us on path to a better tomorrow.



VANEL FIGHTING FOR JOBS FOR THE COMMUNITY

I continue to advocate for jobs and the economic development of our city and state. My office has put together a public spreadsheet of the various employment opportunities that are available in our area and across the city. For more information please contact my office, and be sure to follow me on social media for updates on community job opportunities and local job fairs.



VANEL FIGHTING TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAMS

I will continue to advocate for resources for violence intervention and interruption programs that help keep our neighborhoods safe. The work of organizations like LIFE Camp that continue to implement impactful programs to address gun violence, is paramount in creating a safe environment for all New Yorkers. I stand in support of our Community Violence Intervention programs that are doing great work in addressing the longstanding issue of gun violence.



VANEL FIGHTS TO PASS THE STOP LOUD AND EXCESSIVE EXHAUST POLLUTION (SLEEP) ACT

The Assembly has passed legislation to prohibit the sale and installation of devices to increase the sound of a muffler on a motor vehicle and increase the fines for modifications from \$150 to \$1000.



VANEL SPONSORS THE NO EXCUSE ABSENTEE BALLOT BILL

The Assembly has passed legislation allowing voters to request an absentee ballot and vote by mail without a declared reason. (Sponsored by Assemblyman Vanel) It is very important for us to make sure that in this democracy, we make it easier and give more access to people to go out and vote.

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VANEL INTRODUCES LEGISLATION TO INCREASE FINES FOR OVERNIGHT COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING

Clyde Vanel introduced a bill to raise the fines for illegal overnight truck parking on residential streets. The first violation of illegal overnight parking will result in a fine of \$400. Any following violations by the same owner within a six month period will result in an \$800 fine. Commercial truck parking on residential streets continues to be an eyesore and a health hazard for many residents in our community. We will continue to enact legislation that will stop commercial vehicles from using residential streets as a parking alternative.



VANEL ATTENDS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT WITH NYPD

On August 3rd the 105th Precinct celebrated National Night Out at Frederick Cabbell Park in Cambria Heights. It was an amazing evening of community building, fun and games, and honoring selfless individuals who continue to leave a positive impact on our neighborhoods.



VANEL AT SENIOR MONTH EVENTS

We have had a wonderful month of honoring the seniors in our community. Our seniors deserve the highest standard of treatment, and the various luncheons and events that we were able to host are a small token of our appreciation for the impact they've had on our lives. Thank you to everyone who helped make this month full of events a reality.



VANEL FIGHTS FOR PAVED STREETS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT

On Thursday July 16, I had the opportunity to attend the ribbon cutting to celebrate the repaving of Braddock Avenue. For years, the poor conditions on Braddock have been a major talking point in our community, as people would intentionally avoid traveling along this road. However, thanks to the collective efforts by community members, civic leaders, elected officials, and government agencies, we are pleased with the end result. We are ecstatic that the conditions on Braddock Avenue have finally been addressed! I will continue to fight for quality road conditions across the district.



VANEL TAKES THE OFFICE TO THE COMMUNITY

During the year, we have made sure to conduct mobile offices across every neighborhood in the district to ensure that the community has access to the necessary PPE and important updates and information. It has been great to connect with the community as we continue to transition back to a greater sense of normalcy.



VANEL FIGHTING FOR FAIR TREATMENT OF HAITIANS AT THE TEXAS BORDER

My colleagues and I stood together to speak out against the crisis that is occurring at our southern border. The photos of federal law enforcement catching Haitian migrants on horses, as well as the manner we are treating these human beings who have sacrificed everything to seek refuge in America, are extremely troubling. I call on our government to take steps to put an end to the brutal, inhumane treatment of Haitian migrants and to ensure that our fellow humans have access to the opportunities that our country should provide to anybody who desires them.



OUR OFFICE GIVES AWAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO NEIGHBORHOOD CHILDREN

On Friday September 10th, we hosted our annual Back to School Bash at Cabbell Park as we distributed book bags and school supplies to kids in our community. We thank and appreciate every organization who came out to assist and make this event possible. As our children look to get back into the classroom, we want to ensure that they possess the necessary tools to have a safe and productive school year.



VANEL BRINGS CAMP TO TEACH KIDS TO PROGRAM THEIR OWN VIDEO GAME

In partnership with The Showing Hearts Foundation and Code Ninjas Floral Park, my office sponsored week-long, interactive coding training programs for kids. Over the summer, 50 children learned how to program and code their own video games and create their very own music through the Code Ninjas curriculum. The camp was a rewarding experience that allowed our children to open new doors, and explore the opportunities that are available to them through the use of coding and technology.



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VANEL SUPPORTS CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

I was able to visit Rikers Island with Assembly Members Brian Barnwell, Latoya Joyner, Al Taylor; Attorney General Letitia James; and District Attorneys Darcel Clark, Melinda Katz, and Eric Gonzalez. We were able to speak to many incarcerated individuals, as well as correction officers and staff. I was also able to speak on a panel with the NYS Assembly Committee on Correction to question officials on what is taking place. It is imperative that Correctional Health Services screens individuals on intake to ensure that certain mental health needs are adequately addressed within the facility. The conditions at Rikers that are endured by workers and inmates alike are unacceptable, and we must all work as a collective to effectuate substantive change.



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VANEL SUPPORTS THE NEW PRECINCT IN THE COMMUNITY

In September, we broke ground for the long-awaited and long fought for 116th precinct. After years of organizing and advocacy, we can finally address the issue of our residents waiting through these unacceptable, lengthy response times. Thank you to Mayor Bill de Blasio, the New York City Police Department, and all involved who helped make this a reality.