

### January 2025

### FROM THE DESK OF ANDREA BAILEY:



Dear Friends and Neighbors,

To say I am incredibly grateful for the trust you've placed in me to serve as your new Assemblywoman would be an immense understatement. Stepping into this role has been a true honor, and from day one, my focus has been and still is to be your voice here in Albany.

When I'm not in Albany fighting for you, I'm right here at home—meeting with local leaders, visiting local businesses, and attending community events to hear directly from you. This past month has been a busy one, and I am so thankful for every opportunity to connect with the incredible people who make Western New York such a great place to live and work.

From attending banquets honoring those of the community to meeting with different local schools, I've been out and about, actively listening to the real concerns of the people to bring to Albany and create real change with real solutions. Whether it's pushing back against harmful policies or advocating for much-needed resources, my priority will always be to make sure our community gets the attention and respect it deserves.

Best,

Assemblywoman Andrea Bailey 133rd Assembly District of NYS

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# Bailey's Briefing

# What's happening in Albany?





## **Swearing In Ceremony**

In the beginning of January, I had the honor of taking the oath of office as your new Assemblywoman. As I reflected on the moment, I was reminded of the incredible support I have back home from my constituents. Your confidence in me means the world, and I am excited to have officially begun this journey. Thank you again to everyone for your continued support!

### **Budget Hearings**

I sat in on my first ever budget hearings this past month that incorporated thoughtful discussions on critical initiatives across several different committees, such as mental health, environmental conservation, and libraries and education technology, advocating for improved resources and services to address the growing needs of New Yorkers.





### **Engaging with Local Advocacy Groups**

This past month, I had the opportunity to meet with several dedicated advocacy groups in my LOB office. It was invaluable to hear directly from those who are working to address the issues affecting our communities, and I'm so happy I had the chance to discuss their priorities and explore ways we can work together to create positive change. These conversations help guide my efforts in Albany, ensuring I accurately represent the needs and concerns of my constituents every step of the way.



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# What's happening back home?



### **Honoring Local Heroes**

I had the privilege of attending the Hatch Hose Company's annual banquet, where I was honored to present citations recognizing the members for their years of dedicated service, ranging from 10 to an incredible 59 years. The department also paid tribute to former Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes for her years of commitment as Assemblywoman.

### Attending a Bipartisan Legislative **Breakfast**

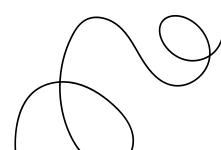
It was a great privilege to participate in the Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce's inaugural Legislative Breakfast last month. Over 200 members from local businesses and non-profits attended, engaging with a bipartisan panel of state representatives for Monroe County.





### **Supporting Our Local Schools**

I was honored to attend the Genesee Valley School Boards Association's legislative breakfast & awards ceremony, where we celebrated the achievements of our schools and listened to their concerns. Our children are the foundation of our future, and I will always fight to work together alongside my colleagues to ensure we build a solid foundation for their success.





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#### **Question:**

What made you want to run for office? -Barbara S.

#### **Answer:**

This is a question I get a lot, and the answer is simple: I love our community, and I want to make a real difference. Seeing the struggles firsthand that many families and small businesses in my community face has motivated me to step up to the plate and do what needs to get done for the people. I'm here because I believe that every New Yorker needs a voice in Albany that understands their needs and will fight for them. I want to ensure that my constituents' needs are met so they can live a better life, and I will continue to push for initiatives that will create a better future for all.

Have a question for Andrea?

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