

Greetings Neighbor,

As the sun begins to set on summer, I wish college students, children, teachers and staff starting the school year a successful year of learning, new adventures and health.

I was relieved that Hurricane Erin did not make landfall but understand that it caused flooding in some areas of Freeport, East Rockaway and Baldwin. The storm certainly caused dangerous surf, riptides and extremely high tides. The tides were so high that the ocean almost reached the concession at some beaches. I am glad the decision to close the beaches was made because rough surf was not safe for swimmers or lifeguards.

In helping children and their families get off to a great start I am hosting a Backpack & School Supplies Drive. Thank you to all those who donated backpacks and supplies to date.

Please see the flyer below for more information.

I am happy to be hosting a Community Cleanup of Lofts Pond with Legislator Debra Mule on September 6. Please join us and check out the flyer below.

The NYS Draft Energy Plan was recently released so I encourage you to learn about this plan and consider submitting a comment.

Unfortunately, recently the MTA-LIRR announced rate Increases. Comments will be accepted through September 14th, and I strongly encourage you to submit your feedback.

Please keep in mind that you can still submit a comment about the Propel NY Energy Transmission Project.

Please find additional info below about these projects.

As always I welcome you to email griffinj@nyassembly.gov or contact my office at 516-561-8216 if I can be of assistance.

Warmly,

Judy Griffin

Assemblywoman, 21st District

Upcoming Community Events and Activities



Assemblywoman Judy Griffin



and Legislator Debra Mulé Host



COMMUNITY CLEAN UP AT LOFTS POND

In Partnership With:







SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2025 10:00AM - 12:00PM LOFTS POND BALDWIN, NY 11510

Meet at the Gazebo

Please RSVP with
Assemblywoman Judy Griffin's Office
at 516-561-8216

American Legion & Veterans of Foreign Wars Run for Heroes

5K RUN/WALK TO RAISE FUNDS FOR LOCAL VFW AND AMERICAN LEGION POSTS ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OUR VETERANS

OCTOBER 18, 2025 AT 9:00 AM SHARP RAIN OR SHINE BALDWIN PARK, BALDWIN, NY

Proceeds to benefit the participating Posts:

- Baldwin American Legion Post 246
 2754 Grand Avenue, Baldwin, NY. 11510
- East Rockaway VFW Post 3350
 164 Main Street, East Rockaway, NY 11518
- Freeport American Legion Post 342
 925 S. Ocean Avenue, Freeport, NY. 11520
- Lynbrook American Legion Post 335 34 Watts Place, Lynbrook, NY 11563
- Malverne American Legion Post 44 250 Franklin Avenue, Malverne, NY. 11565
- Rockville Centre American Legion Post 303
 197 Maple Avenue, Rockville Centre, NY. 11570

Sponsorship Levels Available

Patriot Sponsor: \$1,500 comes with logo on race shirt and Race Lawn Sign

Stars & Stripes Sponsor: \$1,000 comes with logo on Race Shirt.

Red, White and Blue Sponsor: \$500 name on Race Shirt

Heroes Sponsor: \$250 name on Global Race Sign Water Station Sponsor (2): \$750 (each station). Sponsorship Signage at Water Station and name on Race Shirt.

Register at events.elitefeats.com/25runforheroes

WE WANT YOU:

RUNNER PRICE: \$35 per racer pre registration \$30 students \$25. Veterans & First Responders \$45 per race day registration OR SCAN THIS QR CODE TO REGISTER



DON'T ONLY STAND WITH OUR VETERANS, RUN FOR THEM!

If you have any questions eMail RunforHeroes2025@gmail.com

Rockville Centre Fire Department Floodlight Co. 1

FLOODLIGHT CO. 1 will continue to be at the Rockville Centre Farmer's Market, on Sunrise Highway every other Sunday 8 a.m.-12 p.m., offering to take the Blood Pressure of willing residents. You can visit them on Sunday, August 28. Thank you to these dedicated men and women of the RVC Volunteer Fire Department who diligently serve the community in so many vital ways.



Important Information About Energy, Service, and Utilities

Draft State Energy Plan

The State Energy Planning Board is also holding a series of Public Hearings. Public Hearings for Long Island and virtual hearings are scheduled as follows:

- September 29, 2025, 5:00 7:00 pm Long Island, NY
- September 30, 2025, 5:00 7:00 pm Virtual

You can share your comments through October 6, 2025

Public comments may be submitted in the following ways:

- Website at energyplan.ny.gov/Get-Involved/Comment
- Email to nysenergyplan@nyserda.ny.gov (please include "comment" in your subject line)
- Mail addressed to Vanessa Ulmer Attn: State Energy Plan, NYSERDA, 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, New York 12203

Visit this link to learn more -https://energyplan.ny.gov/Plans/Draft-2025-Energy-Plan

Draft State Energy Plan





Advancing abundant, reliable, affordable, and clean energy for all New Yorkers.

The State Energy Plan is for New Yorkers, and it is informed by New Yorkers. Learn about the Plan and participate in the public comment period.

What is the State Energy Plan?

The State Energy Plan provides broad policy direction that guides energy-related decision making within New York State.

The Plan includes an outlook through 2040 with recommendations for meeting future energy demands that prioritize an energy system that is reliable, clean, and affordable while supporting economic development, equity, and a healthy environment.

What are some of the topics the Draft State Energy Plan covers?

The Draft State Energy Plan covers topics within the broad planning goals below.

Delivering abundant, reliable, resilient, and clean energy through a diverse mix of energy sources and supply infrastructure, while supporting energy efficiency and load flexibility. As clean energy resources ramp up over time, the State will maintain adequate supplies of all major energy sources.

Providing affordable energy to households and broad clean energy benefits to support continued prosperity, community and economic development, and an equitable energy transition. Policy and market solutions that help New Yorkers make energy-efficient choices and cut energy costs, matching programs to community needs, and inclusive engagement can help ensure that all communities benefit from the energy transition, including disadvantaged communities.

Supporting economic growth, and the housing and jobs that come with it, and competitiveness by meeting the needs of large energy users and attracting new industry, including clean energy leaders, and investing in workforce development for high-quality clean energy jobs.

Advancing energy innovation that fosters economic development and brings new technologies to market that will help enable New York's energy transition, as well as reduce the cost and increase the variety of energy technologies and services.

Continuing progress toward decarbonization and clean energy economy, informed by public input on possible accelerated policy options and emerging technologies to understand which are appropriate for New York.

How was the Draft State Energy Plan developed?

The Energy Planning Board directs the development of the State Energy Plan, guided by Article 6 of the Energy Law. In September 2024, the Board released and invited public comment on the scope for this planning cycle. Feedback received from many entities or "stakeholders" – including utilities and energy transmission experts, community-based organizations, environmental organizations, representatives from industry and commerce, elected officials, and others – informed the final Scope and the development of the Draft State Energy Plan. Technical and policy analysis managed by State agency staff also are an important part of this planning.

The Draft State Energy Plan is available for public comment.

MTA-LIRR Rate Increases

There's still time for constituents to share their thoughts on the MTA-LIRR Rate Increases. Comments will be accepted through September 14!

Provide Feedback in the following ways:

- Submit comments online using this <u>link</u>
- Mail written comments to MTA Government & Community Relations
 - o 2 Broadway, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10004
- Call the MTA hotline at 646-252-6777 to leave a comment.
- Simply drop your comments at any MTA-LIRR station across the system

You are invited to additional public comment sessions helf through the subway, Metro North, bus, and LIRR systems.

- Jamaica Station: Wednesday, Aug 27, 4-6 p.m.
- Babylon Station: Thursday, Aug 28, 4-6 p.m.
- Mineola Station: Tuesday, Sept 9, 4-6 p.m.
- Grand Central Madison: Friday, Sept 12, 4-6 p.m.

Propel Energy Project

Comments may be submitted up until the PSC makes a decision, which will likely be in the Fall of 2025.

Post a public comment here:

https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterSeq=74038&MNO=24-T-044

Mail a comment to the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC)

Visit here for more info https://www.propelnyenergy.com









Electric Grid Improvements to Benefit Our Daily Lives

The New York Power Authority (NYPA) and New York Transco are advancing Propel NY Energy, an innovative electric transvasion project that will improve reliability and realistic; and the delivery of clean energy, including off-shore wind, through electric grid improvements in parts of Long Island, New York City and Westchester County.

Building these clean energy pathways will result in long-turn benefits for New York homes and Susinesses.

Electric Transmission is Essential

The electric transmission grid is the backbone of emergy delivery. It is made up of the high-voltage lines and substationes that transport amengy from where it is care infrastructure that is relied upon 34/7, 365, and our increasing demands for more and cleaner electricity require grid improvements throughout New York Store. This supports healther communities, public and economic appartunity, and provides more certainty that power will flow on blue tily days and during the exact of stores.

Our project includes:

- Approximately 90 miles of new underground/ submorine transmission lines corefully routed to avoid and minimize community impacts
- Four new substations and approach to existing substations that maximize the use of existing utility-owned properties

SET PROJECT MAP ON BACK

NY Companies Invested in NY Communities

NYPA and New York Transco are New York companies focused on energy solutions that benefit all New Yorken, and respect and reflect local yolices and values. We leverage decades of experience to deliver blest-in-class projects. We are committed to working closely with all stakeholders to ensure our project prioritizes the well-being of communities and protects, the surrounding environment now and into the future. We welcome all thoughts and feedback to improve Propel NY. Join us to we work to Propel NY Energy.

Centert use at:

1-800-347-9071, infe@propelryenergy.com

New York State Regulatory Review: A Process to Include and Benefit the Public

Propel NY Energy (Propel NY) was selected through a competitive process conducted by the New York grid operator, the New York Independent System Operator, as the "more efficient or cost effective project." Propel NY will undergo rigorous environmental, engineering, construction, and community input review during perhitting lad by the New York State Public Service Commission.

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A Transmission Solution to Propel New York State's Renewable Energy Future



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South Nassau Water Authority Meeting

On Monday, July 7, I attended the Nassau Water Authority meeting held at the Lynbrook Public Library, another step forward in the endeavor to municipalize water so residents may be provided with more affordable water and reliable service.

In 2021, I proudly carried, sponsored, and passed the Assembly bill that established the South Nassau Water Authority- a public entity formed to pursue more reliable service at lower costs for over 113,000 Town of Hempstead residents currently served by Liberty Utilities, a privately held, investor-owned public utility company, which is a subsidiary of Algonquin Power & Utilities Corp, publicly traded corporation. Liberty is regulated by the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC).

I thank the Board of Directors of the South Nassau Water Authority for their efforts to date, and I was pleased to learn about their progress in bringing municipalization to fruition. I appreciate the Water customers who attended to express their concerns, learn, and ask questions. The residents in attendance all advocated municipalization since they want better service at an affordable cost. Since I represent Liberty Water customers in Valley stream, Lynbrook, Malverne, East Rockaway, Baldwin, South Hempstead, Oceanside, West Hempstead, and Hewlett, resolving the high cost of water has always been a top priority for me. I look forward to learning more about the feasibility of municipalization.

I encourage Liberty Water customers to sign up at https://southnassauwater.org/#resources to subscribe to the South Nassau Water Authority email list to stay connected and informed. Along with others, I encourage them to increase the frequency of their public meetings so please subscribe and consider joining us at their next meeting. Your engagement matters!

The Board of Directors of the South Nassau Water Authority will hold the next meeting on Monday September 30 at 6:00pm at the Merrick Public Library. 2279 Merrick Ave, Merrick.





Meeting with American Red Cross

I appreciated the informative meeting I had on July 8 with Jose Dominguez, John Waldman, and Denise Bloise, of the American Red Cross in Greater New York, to discuss the incredible work they do- from free smoke detector installations in homes, to disaster relief, blood donations, emergency response, educational programs and more. I am grateful for their lifesaving programs, like emergency preparedness training and fore prevention programs, which help ensure our communities are ready

before disaster strikes and have proactive safety measures in place. It was inspiring to hear how their dedicated volunteers are the heart of this mission, showing up time and again to support our neighbors in need. Looking forward to partnering with them to bring these vital services, educational awareness, and resources to constituents across AD21!



Community Events in Assembly District 21

VNS Health Nurse-Family Partnership Graduation

It was truly an honor to attend the 2025 VNS Health Nurse-Family Partnership Graduation on July 9 and celebrate the remarkable accomplishments of 55 graduation families! It truly was a pleasure to interact with so many adorable toddlers and their joyful mothers.

The Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) is a nationally recognized, evidence-based program that parts specifically trained registered nurses with first-time, low-income mothers from early pregnancy through their child's second birthday. Through this long-term, trusting relationship, families receive vital support in maternal health, child development, parenting skills, and achieving educational and employment goals.

Since its launch in Nassau County in 2014, the program has served over 700 families, empowering parents and giving children a stronger, healthier start in life.

Congratulations to all the graduates and the dedicated nurses who have walked this journey with them-your strength, love, and resilience are inspiring. I appreciate the diligence and compassion of these nurses who nurture and guide these new mothers in raising healthy children ready to thrive and blossom. I applaud all involved in this incredible program, which has had a tremendous lifelong impact.









RVC Coalition of Youth-Reception to Thank Dr. Harvey Manes

I was delighted to join the Rockville Centre Coalition for Youth and Village of Rockville Centre community on July 9 in celebrating Dr. Harvey Manes of the Manes Peace Prize Foundation for his generous \$25,000 donation! This altruistic contribution will go a long way in supporting the Coalition's mission to empower and encourage our teens to make safe choices. After reading an article about the financial crisis, the RVC Coalition was in due to federal funding cuts, Dr. Manes' responded with incredible generosity. I appreciated Dr. Manes' commitment to making a difference.





Meeting with Jillian Wahls- Fifth Grade Flag Day Winner

We were glad to welcome Jillian Wahls, the fifth-grade winner of my flag day Essay Contest, along with her parents, brother, grandparents, and aunt, to my district office! It was my pleasure to meet Jillian and her family. Jillian attends School 2 at Oceanside, and the school photographer even came to take photos. This year's theme- "Why the American Flag is Important to You?"- was beautifully captured in Jillian's heartfelt essay. I was honored to read her essay to her proud family and present her with a certificate recognizing her meaningful words and pride in our nation. Keep Shining, Jillian- AD21 is so proud of you!





Malverne American Legion NYS Walk-A-Thon 2025

Proud to join the Malverne American Legion Post 44, Malvern American Legion Auxiliary Unit No.44, and Sons of the Legion at the NYS 2025 Walk-A-Thon in support of our Veterans! A great day walking in the new Whelan Park, alongside mayor Sullivan, "Miss Polly", veterans, families, colleagues in government, and community members in support of those who have served our county. Events like these remind us of the strength of unity and patriotism that connect our communities. Thank you to all who planned this wonderful event! I appreciate all that the Malverne American legion Family does for veterans and the community.











RVC Annual Fireworks Celebration

It was great to join the community at RVC's Annual Fireworks Celebration on July 12. It was a lovely evening filled with music, patriotism, and an incredible Grucci Fireworks display.

The South Shore Symphony gave a beautiful performance. Thank you Mayor Murray, Village of Rockville Centre DPW, Fire Dept, and Police Department for making this beloved Rockville Centre tradition such a successful and safe event for all to enjoy each year.

















Molloy Golf Outing

It was my pleasure to attend the 2025 Molloy Annual Golf Classic, on July 14, and present citations to the honorees. Congratulations to James Multari on 45 years of exemplary service to Molloy university and to Micheal A. Bonakdar, Corporate Honoree. It is always a pleasure to see President James Lentini, Ed Thompson, VP of Advancement, colleagues in government, Molloy Board of Trustees, staff, supporters and attendees. Funds raised at this successful event support student scholarships, transportation assistance, and the student emergency fund.

Congratulations to Event Chair Jeffery Mulhall and Co-Chair Dorothy Hines and team for your dedicated efforts in running this outstanding event.













Rise Up for Ryan Suicide Awareness Walk

It was a privilege to participate in the 2025 Ryan Patrick O'Shea Foundation Suicide Awareness Walk and attend the 7th Annual Rise Up for Ryan 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, at Lister Park on July 26. John and Mary O'Shea have been on a mission to raise awareness, encourage people to talk about mental health challenges in an effort to prevent suicide. I appreciate the profound impact John, Mary, their sons, and the PRO board have made by providing resources, Sources of Strength Program Funding to local high schools, and educating the community. Thank you to the Village of Rockville Centre Police, sponsors and volunteers and all the participants who walked, played basketball in support of the seventh Annual Rise Up for Ryan.

















Bethany House Golf and Tennis Outing

I was honored to attend this year's Bethany House Golf & Tennis Outing July 28 celebrating the incredible work they do to support women and children om crisis in Nassau County.

Congratulations to this year's honoree, Sheila Pio, whose unwavering generosity and dedication reflect the heart of Bethany House's mission. her support has helped countless women and children reclaim their sense of self-worth and belonging.







Nassau County PBA Retirement walkout for Kevin Mullick

It was a privilege to join the Nassau County PBA at Kevin Mullick's final walkout to celebrate his 32 years of dedicated service on his well-deserved retirement. I thank him for his exemplary service as a NYPD Officer, a Nassau County Police Department Officer and serving on the Executive board of the Nassau County PBA. Kevin has served with distinction as First Vice President of the Nassau County Police Benevolent Association since January 2022, representing officers across the country.

His commitment and dedication have made a positive impact, from honoring outstanding officers monthly to advocating for meaningful and effective legislative policy for law enforcement and the safety of residents throughout Nassau County and

NYS. I have enjoyed working with Kevin, through the years and most recently in the passage of the Lieutenant Joseph Banish Mental Health Act.

Congratulations to Kevin on a well-deserved retirement milestone- your years of service and advocacy have truly made a difference. Thank you for your leadership, friendship and your unwavering service. Wishing you all the best in your next chapter!







32BJ SEIU Long Island Family Fun Day

It was my pleasure to attend the 32BJ SEIU Long Island Family Fun Day at Eisenhower Park on July 26. It was a great opportunity to chat with 32BJ leaders, workers and even meet a few constituents.







Celebrating Businesses in AD21

10th Anniversary Ribbon Cutting & Grand Reveal Bobby Q's-- Freeport Chamber of Commerce

It was a privilege to celebrate 10 incredible years of BFG Bobby Q's in Freeport! Honored to join the Freeport Chamber of Commerce and elected officials at the ribbon cutting and grand reveal of their newly renovated bar and private lounge. Congratulations to Bobby Ford on this amazing milestone. Here is to continued prosperity.





GRAMI Café Ribbon Cutting-- Malverne Chamber of Commerce

On July 11, it was a pleasure to celebrate the grand opening of GRAMI Café with the owners, a lovely Malverne family, the Malverne Chamber of Commerce, mayor Sullivan, and the community!

This family-owned, Mediterranean-inspired café is a beautiful new addition to the heart of Malverne- serving up handcrafted coffee, fresh pantries, and savory bites rooted in Greek and Italian heritage. From buttery spinach pies and rich baklava to almond croissants and traditional Greek coffee, ever bite and sip tells a story.

Wishing the GRAMI team all the best as they bring culture, community, and quality to Malverne and the greater community.







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