



# Assemblywoman **Nily Rozic**

## *Reports to the People*

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Dear Friend:

When I ran for State Assembly I pledged to work tirelessly on your behalf and to be accessible and accountable. As part of that commitment, I am proud to share this report about my office activity during my first year in office. I will build on these accomplishments in 2014, and I promise to report back each year about my progress.

Many people are not familiar with the responsibilities of a New York State Assemblymember. This report will outline how I fight for our neighborhoods every day and provide insight into the impact I have in our community and beyond.

My staff and I work diligently on your behalf to ensure all concerns and issues are addressed properly. Please contact my office if we can be of any assistance via phone at 718-820-0241 or email [rozicn@assembly.state.ny.us](mailto:rozicn@assembly.state.ny.us).

Sincerely,

Nily Rozic

**59 Bills & Resolutions Sponsored**  
**91 Bills Co-Sponsored**

### Representing You in Albany



I have the privilege of serving on five committees: Children and Families; Corporations, Authorities, and Commissions; Correction; Environmental Conservation; and Labor. I am also a member of the Legislative Women's Caucus, the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Task Force, and the Black, Puerto Rican, Hispanic & Asian Legislative Caucus.

#### Legislating in Albany

Passing legislation is a major part of an Assemblymember's responsibility. During my first year I introduced 59 bills and resolutions. This year, I sponsored and passed legislation aimed at revitalizing New York's environment, expanding government transparency, and strengthening workforce development programs.

### Constituent Services

The single most important responsibility I have is to serve our community and residents. In my first year in office, I am proud to have assisted over 1,100 individuals who contacted my office. Here is a breakdown of the types of cases we handled:

**Education 21%**

**Social Services 15.7%**

**Environmental/Green Spaces 13.9%**

**Human Rights 10.1%**

**Transportation 6.6%**

**Public Safety 6.2%**

**Health 5.3%**

**Economy/Jobs 5%**

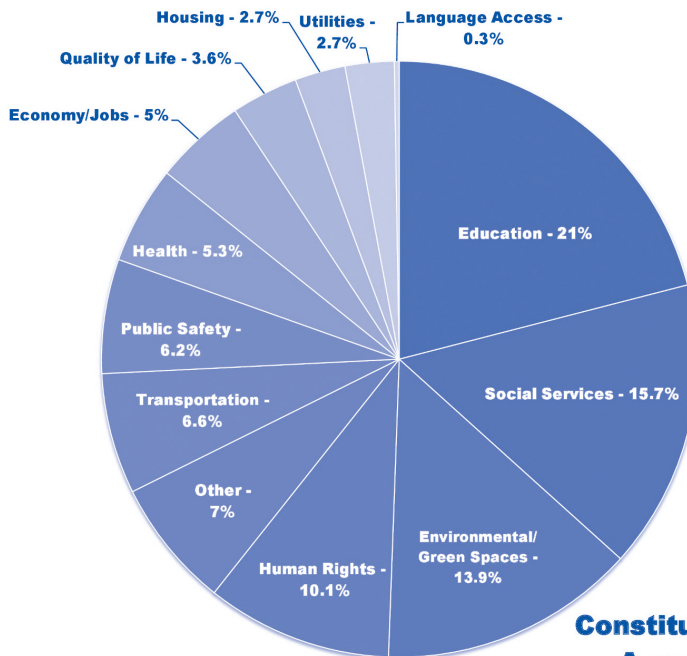
**Quality of Life 3.6%**

**Housing 2.7%**

**Utilities 2.7%**

**Language Access 0.3%**

**Other 7%**



**Constituent Cases 2013**  
**Assembly District 25**  
**Total Count = 1,129**

## Getting Results for Our Community



My office hosted town halls, meetings and workshops, and attended countless events throughout the district. It's the best way to find out what you need! At our town hall, attendees had the opportunity to talk face-to-face with city and state agency representatives that oversee important issues like transit, parks, schools, public safety, garbage pick-up and building inspection. A critical part of my job is bridging the gap between you and government services in order to solve problems in our neighborhood.

## Helping Homeowners



### Providing tax relief

I hosted a workshop and registration drive at my district office for over 100 residents to encourage homeowners to take advantage of the Basic and Enhanced STAR state tax exemption program. Remember to register by December 31, 2013!



### Promoting fire safety awareness

On April 1st, a fire broke out in Fresh Meadows resulting in 11 injuries. Following this event, I hosted a press conference to announce a Fire Safety Awareness Day in my District Office where community members received free smoke detectors and fire safety tips.

### Calling for a solution to flooding

With Mayor-elect Bill de Blasio and neighbors, I called on the City to fix our flooding problem. The city must provide sewer upgrades and more responsive policies to handle frequent flooding in Queens. We called on the City to examine plans for both short-term flood mitigation, like street landscaping to reduce storm runoff, and long-term reimbursement policies for damage caused by failures in the sewage system. We cannot continue to let Fresh Meadows weather the storm alone!



## Start Up City



### Standing up for workers

To advocate for our working families, I joined fellow women legislators and organizations at City Hall to rally for paid sick leave. Our voices were heard--next year, businesses with 20 or more employees will offer employees five paid sick days.

### Promoting a start-up economy

I stood with Comptroller-elect Scott Stringer at Queens College earlier this year to push my financial aid bill that would retain engineers in New York State and help students afford college.

### Supporting green jobs

Workforce development programs are a critical part of Queens' job growth. This year, the Green Jobs Training Program, a partnership between the Queens Botanical Garden and LaGuardia Community College to promote environmental sustainability, graduated a new cohort of 26 graduates who will go on to work in waste management, green building operations & sustainability.

## Protecting Pedestrians

### Making Main Street safer

Pedestrians should feel safe on our city's sidewalks and streets. When Allison Liao's life was claimed by a careless driver on Main Street in Flushing, I joined State Senator Toby Ann Stavisky, and Councilmember Peter Koo to call on the Department of Transportation to take action. As a result of our advocacy, the City agency is working to assess signal timing and intersection controls along Main Street and assessing the feasibility of installing traffic calming measures.



### Continuing the fight for better transportation

I joined the advocacy group Riders Alliance, my colleagues, and advocates to call on the MTA to invest an unexpected \$40 million surplus in restoring and expanding transit service. We requested that Governor Cuomo and the MTA use the \$40 million to create a fund. Public transportation is vital to Eastern Queens, and the loss of service continues to impact our community. The MTA must do everything it can to restore and expand service for riders who depend on it.

### Calming traffic in Fresh Meadows

After local residents expressed their serious concerns about traffic safety issues on 75th Avenue, Council Member Gennaro, Council Member-elect Lancman, and I called on the Department of Transportation to install improvements on the residential streets. By implementing speed bumps, additional stop signs, curb extensions and the repainting of crosswalks and bike lanes, we will lower the amount of collisions and effectively protect the lives of innocent pedestrians.

## Investing in Education



### Calling for a community dialogue

I stood with Senator Tony Avella, Community Board 11, the Auburndale Improvement Association and neighbors to call on the Department of Education to engage the community about constructing a new school in Bayside Hills.



### Visiting schools

There is no more important issue in our community than education. I am committed to meeting with students, parents, teachers and principals at every school in my district to make sure our students and staff are getting the resources and support they need to succeed.



### Saving after-school programs

After school programming is key to students' success. I joined students, parents, school officials and community members at MS 158 to ensure our children get their fair share of educational resources.



Congratulations to Arvind Mahankali on winning the 2013 Scripps National Spelling Bee!

## Standing Up for Seniors



During this year's state budget, I worked to secure \$1.3 million for elder abuse education and prevention programs, senior nutrition programs, and adult day care and transportation services.



This summer, I had a chance to exchange fancy footwork and community ideas with seniors at the Self-Help Rosenthal Senior Center.



My office offers a Senior Program guide with information on services like Medicare, SNAP and SCRIE. Call my office to get a copy!

## Neighborhood Beautification



### Improving parks for all

I celebrated Earth Day in Flushing this year by attending the Queens Botanical Garden's Arbor Fest celebration. My office had a booth where local residents and community members could inquire about upcoming workshops, events and other family-friendly activities.



### Greening our streets

This year, we began replanting trees felled by Hurricane Sandy in Hillcrest. Following Hurricane Sandy, my office coordinated with the Greening Eastern Queens Initiative to locate trees that were damaged as a result of the storm. This process has identified approximately 100 trees throughout the community just in time for the next planting season.



### Opening up our parks

I co-sponsored this year's annual art competition with the Kissena Park Civic Association, and distributed awards with Congresswoman Grace Meng to all of the winning artists.



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## Team Nily at Work

Every day, my office assists constituents with their questions and concerns. We speak multiple languages including: Mandarin, Cantonese, Korean, and Spanish--let us know how we can help you!

Our office is always looking for interns or volunteers to help out around the office and assist in special projects. Interning here can help students gain valuable experience working in public service. If you are interested in applying to be an intern or volunteer, please contact us!

From left to right: David Ng, Chief of Staff; Megan Keane, Community Liaison & Director of Scheduling; Courtney Cariello, Community Liaison.